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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

**DATED: 12-01-2026**

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**THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI**

**WP No. 419 of 2026**

Viswanathan

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

Tamil Nadu State Transport  
corporation(coimbatore ) ltd.,  
Rep. by its Managing Director,  
No. 37 Mettupalayam Road,  
Coimbatore 641 043

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying for issuance of a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondent to pay the petitioner interest for the belated payment of his terminal benefits, namely PF, Gratuity, Surrender leave salary and Earned Leave salary at the rate of 18 percent per annum within a specified time frame as may be timed by this Court, Award costs

For Petitioner(s): Mr.G.Vijay Priyan

For Respondent(s): Mr.C.Gauthamaraj

**ORDER**

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking a direction to the respondent to pay the petitioner interest for the belated payment of his terminal benefits, namely, PF, Gratuity, Surrender leave salary and Earned leave salary at the rate of 18% per annum within a time frame as fixed by this Court.



2. Heard the learned counsels appearing on either side. With the consent of both sides, the Writ Petition is taken up for hearing at the admission stage itself.

3. It is the case of the petitioner that he joined the service of the respondent Corporation on 27.06.1997 and retired on 31.05.2024. However, the retirement benefits such as PF, Gratuity, Surrender Leave Salary and Earned Leave Salary were paid to him on 02.12.2025 belatedly without any interest. Therefore, the petitioner made a representation on 13.12.2025 claiming interest for the belated payment of PF, Gratuity, Surrender leave salary and Earned leave salary, which evoked no response so far. Hence, the present Writ Petition.

4. In view of the limited request made by the petitioner with regard to interest on the belated settlement of retirement benefits, this Court directs the respondents to pay interest at the rate of 6% p.a. for the belated payment of retirement benefits as stated supra from the date of retirement to till the date of actual disbursal of the retirement benefits of the petitioner, if there is no other impediment in disbursing the same, within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, taking into account the bank rate of interest on deposits.



5. Accordingly, this Writ Petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.

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Index: Yes/No  
Speaking/Non-speaking order  
Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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To

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