



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 28-04-2026

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THE HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE P.T. ASHA

WP No. 16005 of 2026

and W.M.P.No.17248 of 2026

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..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Managing Director

Metropolitan Transport Corporation (Chennai)
Ltd., Pallavan Illam, Anna Salai, Chennai-2.

2. The Administrator

Tamilnadu State Transport Corporation
Employees Pension Fund Trust, No.2, Pallavan
Salai, Chennai - 600 002.



..Respondent(s)

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PRAYER: The Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking the issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to pay interest of 12 percentage to the petitioners for belated payment of gratuity, dearness allowance, leave salary, provident fund and commutation of pension amounts within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

For Petitioner(s): Mr. S.Sakthivel

For Respondent(s): Mr. R. Balaji, Standing Counsel

ORDER

The present Writ Petition has been filed seeking the issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to pay interest to the petitioners at the rate of 12% per annum for the belated payment of gratuity, dearness allowance, leave salary, provident fund and commutation of pension amounts within a time limit to be stipulated by this Court.

2. It is the case of the petitioners that they have rendered over 25 to 30 years of continuous service. At the time of their retirement during the years 2024–2025, they held various posts, including Senior Tradesman, Senior Technician, Driver, Conductor, and Senior Checking Inspector. Although they

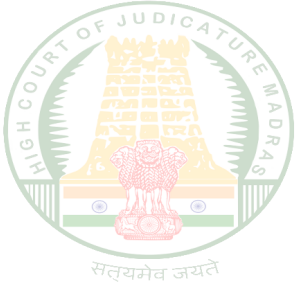


have superannuated, their terminal benefits were disbursed with a delay ranging from 6 to 25 months. Consequently, the petitioners seek interest at the rate of 12% per annum on these belated payments. Despite multiple representations submitted to the respondent Corporation, no response has been received to date, necessitating the filing of the present Writ Petition.

3. The learned Standing Counsel for the respondent would fairly submit that they are willing to pay the interest at the rate of 6% per annum for the belated payment of the eligible and admissible amount.

4. Heard the learned counsels appearing on either side and perused the materials available on record.

5. In view of the above submission of the learned Standing Counsel, this Court deems it appropriate to direct the respondents to pay interest at the rate of 6% per annum for the belated payment of admissible terminal benefits from the date of retirement till the date of actual disbursement of the terminal benefits of the petitioners, within a period of six (6) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.



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6. Accordingly, this Writ Petition is disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

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To

1. The Managing Director
Metropolitan Transport Corporation (Chennai) Ltd.,
Pallavan Illam, Anna Salai, Chennai-2.
2. The Administrator
Tamilnadu State Transport Corporation Employees
Pension Fund Trust, No.2, Pallavan Salai,
Chennai - 600 002.



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