



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 28-04-2026

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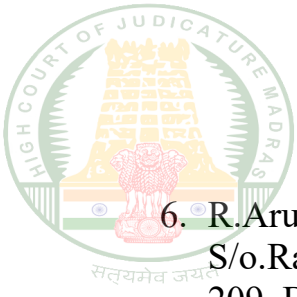
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W.P. No. 16166 of 2026

and W.M.P.No.17397 of 2026

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..Petitioner(s)

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Vs

1. The Managing Director
Tamilnadu State Transport Corporation
(Villupuram) Ltd., No.3/137, Salamedu,
Valudareddy Post, Villupuram - 605 602.
2. The General Manager
Tamilnadu State Transport Corporation
(Villupuram) Ltd., Bye Pass Road, Vengikkal,
Tiruvannamalai - 606 604.
3. The Administrator,
Tamilnadu State Transport Corporation
Employees Pension Trust, 2, Pallavan Salai,
Tiruvalluvar Illam, Chennai - 600 002.

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER: The Writ Petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of a Writ of Mandamus directing the respondents to pay 10 percentage interest for the belated payment of terminal benefits such as gratuity, leave salary, P.F and commutation of pension amount to the petitioners.

For Petitioner(s): Mr. S.T Varadarajulu

For Respondent(s): Ms.S.Pavithra

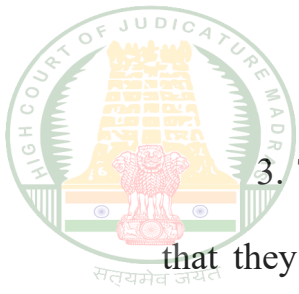
Standing Counsel



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 10% per annum for the belated payment of gratuity, leave salary, provident fund and commutation of pension amounts within a time frame to be fixed by this Court.

2. It is the case of the petitioners that they have cumulatively rendered between 17 and 38 years of continuous service. With the exception of the 7th petitioner's husband, who died in harness while serving as a Selection Grade Conductor, all other petitioners retired from service between 2023 and 2025 while holding various posts, including Special Grade Driver, Special Grade Conductor, Selection Grade Conductor, Senior Tradesman, Driver Instructor, and Junior Engineer. Although the petitioners have superannuated, their terminal benefits were disbursed with an inordinate delay ranging from 6 to 14 months. Consequently, the petitioners seek interest at the rate of 10% per annum on the belated payments in accordance with established legal principles. Despite several representations submitted to the respondent Corporation, the same remain unconsidered to date, constraining the petitioners to approach this Court.



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.

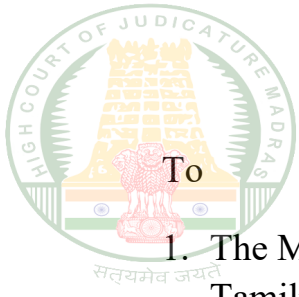
4. Heard the learned counsels appearing on either side and perused the materials available on record.

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 disbursal 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.

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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