



**W.P.(MD) No.10493 of 2026**

**WEB COPY BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT**

**DATED : 15.04.2026**

**CORAM:**

**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE MUMMINENI SUDHEER KUMAR**

**W.P.(MD) No.10493 of 2026**

P.Ravichandran

... Petitioner

-vs-

1.The Managing Director  
State Express Transport  
Corporation Ltd.,  
Thiruvalluvar Illam  
Pallavan Salai  
Chennai-600 002

2.The Administrator  
Tamil Nadu State Transport  
Employees Corporation  
Pension Fund Trust  
Thiruvalluvar Illam  
Pallavan Salai, Chennai-600 002

... Respondents

**PRAYER:** Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to pay interest at the rate of 6% per annum to the petitioner for the belated payment of gratuity, provident fund, EL surrender and leave salary from the date of retirement to the date of actual payment within a time frame as may be fixed by this Court.

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For Petitioner : Ms.D.Ramya  
For Respondents : Mr.K.Senthil Kumar  
Standing Counsel for R1  
Mr.S.C.Herold Singh  
Standing Counsel for R2

**ORDER**

Mr.K.Senthil Kumar, learned Standing Counsel, takes notice for the first respondent and Mr.S.C.Herold Singh, learned Standing Counsel, takes notice for the second respondent.

**2.** With the consent of both sides, this writ petition is disposed of at the admission stage.

**3.** Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Standing Counsels appearing for the respective respondents.

**4.** Learned counsel on either side unanimously agree that the issue involved in this writ petition is squarely covered by various Judgments passed by the Division Bench of this Court in W.A.(MD) No.403 of 2010 and batch, dated 15.04.2014 and W.A.(MD) No.1419 of 2021 and batch, dated 26.07.2021.



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**5.** In the said circumstances, this writ petition is allowed and the respondents are directed to pay interest at the rate of 6% per annum to the petitioner for the belated payment of gratuity, provident fund, EL surrender and leave salary from the date of his retirement till the date on which those benefits are paid to the petitioner. The respondents are further directed to comply with the said direction as expeditiously as possible, at any rate, within a period of five months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No costs.

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