

WPA 8404 of 2026

Chintaharan Roy
Vs.
The State of W. B. & Ors.

Ms. Jonaki Saha ...for the petitioner.

Mr. Siddhartha Ghosh ...for the State.

Affidavit of service filed by the petitioner is taken on record.

Heard learned counsels for the parties.

The petitioner was appointed as
Secretary of Saldiha Gram Panchayat and superannuated
on 31st July, 2017.

Pension payment order was issued by the concerned
authority in his favour on 26th April, 2017.

Subsequently, there was revision of payment of
gratuity amount payable to the petitioner under the ROPA
Rules, 2019 and revised pension payment order was
issued on 10th December, 2020. The revised gratuity and
arrear pension were disbursed in favour of the petitioner
on 12th March, 2021.

The petitioner has prayed for interest on the revised
gratuity and arrear pension amount due to delay in
disbursal of the same.

Upon consideration of the submission made on behalf of the parties and material on record, the Director of Pension, Provident Fund and Group Insurance, Government of West Bengal and the Treasury Officer, Khatra being the 4th and 5th respondents herein, are directed to pay interest to the petitioner @ 8% per annum on the revised gratuity and arrear pension amount calculated from 1st January, 2020 till the date of actual payment of the amount. Such payment shall be made within two months from the date of communication of this order.

With the above observations and directions the writ petition is disposed of.

There shall, however, be no order as to costs.

Since no affidavit is invited, the allegations contained in the writ petition are deemed not to have been admitted.

Urgent certified website copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties upon compliance with all requisite formalities.

(Suvra Ghosh, J.)