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***Calcutta High Court
In the Circuit Bench at Jalpaiguri
Appellate Jurisdiction***

W.P.A. 1505 of 2022

[Biplab Sengupta -Vs- The State of West Bengal & Ors.]

Mr. Sanjay Mazoomdar,
Ms. S. Adhikary

... .. for the petitioner

Mr. Bikramaditya Ghosh

...for the State

Affidavit of service filed in court today is kept with the record.

The petitioner was appointed as an Assistant Teacher of a High School and superannuated on 30.04.2018. The pension payment order was issued on 16.08.2018. subsequently, there was a revision of the pension and the gratuity amount payable to the petitioner under the ROPA, 2019 and the revised pension payment order was issued on 06.04.2021. The revised gratuity amount and arrear pension was disbursed in favour of the petitioner only on 04.05.2021. The petitioner claims interest on delayed payment of the revised gratuity amount.

Upon consideration of submission made on behalf of the parties and materials on record, the Director of Pension, Provident Fund and Group Insurance, Government of West Bengal and the Treasury Officer, Siliguri-II are directed to pay interest to the petitioner @ 8% per annum on the revised gratuity amount calculated from 14.02.2020 till the date of actual payment of the amount, since ROPA 2019 has been given effect from

14.02.2020. Such payment be made within one month from the date of communication of this order.

With these observations, the writ petition is disposed of.

There will be no order as to costs.

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

Urgent certified website copy of this order, if applied for, be furnished to the parties upon compliance of necessary formalities.

(Rajasekhar Mantha, J.)