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**IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CONSTITUTIONAL WRIT JURISDICTION
APPELLATE SIDE.**

WPA 19817 of 2026

**Sunil Kumar Das
Vs.**

The State of West Bengal and others.

**Ms. Susmita Dey (Basu),
Mr. Kaustav Ghosh.**

... for the petitioner.

**Mr. Anindya Halder,
Mr. Banshi Badan Maity.**

... for the State.

**Mr. N.C. Bihani,
Mr. Soumyajit Ghosh.**

... for the CSTC.

1. The affidavit of service filed today is taken on record.
2. The petitioner is a retired employee of the Calcutta State Transport Corporation (CSTC). He retired from service on 31st May, 2024 on attaining his normal age of superannuation.
3. The petitioner also alleges that the pension that has been received does not include the dearness allowance component.
4. The issue regarding applicability of the dearness allowance in the pensionable gratuity paid to the retired employees of the organization has been decided by this Court on 31st March, 2026 in WPA 29126 of 2024 in the matter of Prosun Talukdar & Ors. Vs. State of West Bengal & Ors.
5. The petitioner relies upon the said order and prays for similar reliefs.

6. In *Prosun Talukdar (supra)* the Court held that, in terms of the several memoranda of the Transport Department, Government of West Bengal, the retired employees would be entitled to receive the gratuity and pension including the dearness allowance.
7. The Court directed the Managing Director of the Calcutta State Transport Corporation to take steps for disbursing the Dearness Allowance component to the retired employees in terms of the memoranda dated 4th September, 2025 and 14th January, 2026.
8. In view of the above, the instant writ petition is disposed of directing the Managing Director of the Calcutta State Transport Corporation to take steps for disbursing the Dearness Allowance component of the petitioner in terms of the aforesaid memoranda at the earliest but positively within a period of twelve weeks from the date of communication of this order.
9. At the time of extending the benefits as aforestated, if required, the State authorities shall provide the necessary funds to the CSTC.
10. With the afore-stated directions, the writ petition is disposed of.
11. There shall, however, be no order as to costs.
12. Urgent Photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be given to the parties on priority basis.

(Reetobroto Kumar Mitra, J.)

