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VS
THE DURGAPUR PROJECTS LIMITED & ORS.

Mr. Siddhartha Sarkar, Advocate
Mr. Sourav Gupta, Advocate

.....for the Petitioner

Mr. Sujit Sankar Koley, Advocate

.....for the DPL

1. Affidavit of service, as filed, be kept with the record.
2. The petitioner retired from service on attaining his normal age of superannuation on 31.01.2020 from the Durgapur Projects Limited. He alleges that the benefit of ROPA has been provided to the petitioner, but from a later point of time.
3. Prayer has been made for grant of interest on account of delayed payment of the gratuity on revision of pay.
4. Mr. Koley, learned Advocate representing the Durgapur Projects Limited admits that ROPA came into effect on and from October 30, 2020.
5. As the petitioner has been paid revised gratuity on revision of pay from a delayed point of time, accordingly, the petitioner would be entitled to receive interest on account of the same.
6. In view of the above, I direct the respondent nos. 2 and 4 to take steps to calculate and disburse interest on gratuity on the revised benefit of ROPA in favour of the petitioner @ 6% per annum from the date of its accrual till the date of actual payment.
7. The amount of interest as calculated shall be paid within a period of six months from the date of communication of this order.
8. In the event, the amount is not paid within the afore-stated timeline, an additional interest at the rate of 2% per annum (6+2), will be paid by the authorities to the petitioner.
9. With these directions, the writ-petition is **disposed of**.

10. Urgent Photostat Certified Copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties upon compliance of all requisite formalities.

(Reetobroto Kumar Mitra, J.)