

Records reveal that a co-ordinate Bench of this Court by an order dated 17th December, 2020 directed that the petitioner shall not be arrested in connection with the present case for a period of three weeks after the X-mas vacation.

Learned advocate for the State opposes the petitioner's prayer and submits that there are documents on record which clearly indicate that the petitioner is responsible towards siphoning of government funds. The petitioner had not cooperated with the investigating officer even after the interim order was passed on 17th December, 2020.

Prima facie it appears from the documents in the case diary that the petitioner was involved towards alteration of the original database and transfer of an amount of Rs.1,30,11,257/-.

In the said conspectus and considering the gravity of the offence and the extent of complicity of the petitioner in the alleged offence, we are not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

Accordingly, the prayer for bail is rejected.

The application being CRM 9128 of 2020 along with CRAN 1 of 2021 is, thus, disposed of.

(Tirthankar Ghosh, J.)

(Tapabrata Chakraborty, J.)