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Court No.28
Item No.28
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CRM (A) 1418 of 2025

In Re: - An application for anticipatory bail under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Suraksha Nagarik Sanhita in connection with Cyber PS Case No.**03 of 2025** dated **18.01.2025** under Sections **61 (2)/319(2)/318(4)/336(2)/338/336(3)/340(2)** of the BNSS.

And

In the matter of: **Ratan Singh**

....Applicant/Petitioner.

Mr. Sourav Chatterjee, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Bholanath Ghosal
Mr. Partha Dey
Ms. Namrata Chatterjee

....for the petitioner

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Mr. Ronit Mukherjee

..for the State

Learned senior counsel representing the petitioner submits as follows. The petitioner is allegedly the owner of a concern, which the prosecution alleges was a fake call centre. Although allegations have been made under different provisions, only Section 338 of the BNSS has an imprisonment of more than 7 years as punishment. The said offence is prima facie not made out. The IT Act offences are bailable. All the other co accused arrested were granted bail. The documents, even the electronic devices, have already been seized and the bank accounts of the petitioner frozen.

Learned Public Prosecutor representing the State strongly opposes the prayer for anticipatory bail. He submits that a few crores of rupees were cheated from unsuspecting individuals. Unless custodial interrogation of the petitioner is done, it will not be possible to find out the true expanse of the fraud.

Considering the incriminating materials available in the case diary and the fact that investigation is still going on, I do not consider this to be a fit case for granting anticipatory bail.

Accordingly, the prayer for anticipatory bail of the petitioner is rejected.

(Jay Sengupta, J.)