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**IN THE CIRCUIT BENCH
AT JALPAIGURI**

CRR 137 of 2025

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CRAN 2 of 2025

In the matter of : Rajinder Singh Manku

... Petitioner(s)

Ms. Esha Acharya
Ms. Kankan Jaju
Mr. R. Chakraborty

... for the Petitioner(s)

Mr. Nilay Chakraborty, ld. APP
Mr. Tapan Bhattacharjee

.. for the State – respondent(s)

Affidavit-of-service so filed be kept with the record.

Learned advocate appearing for the petitioner prays for extension of the interim order.

I find that the investigation proceedings of Banarhat PS Case No. 341 of 2024 dated 26.11.2024 have been stalled pursuant to the order dated 02.04.2025.

Learned advocate also submits that payments have already been made in respect of the complained amount towards the provident fund dues.

Be that as it may, the petitioner is a director of a Company who may not be personally liable but because of his designation he has been falsely implicated in connection with the instant case.

Let the investigation of the case progress but the petitioner may not be arrested without affording an opportunity to explain his circumstances and, if required, notice be issued by the

investigation officer of the case for explaining the position of the present petitioner in respect of the alleged offences.

In case, the investigating officer feels that there is requirement of custodial detention, in that case, the investigating officer will afford two weeks' time to the petitioner to approach the jurisdictional court concerned.

The interim order earlier passed is modified to the extent that the investigation of the case would proceed in accordance with law.

Accordingly, CRAN 2 of 2025 is **Allowed**.

The revisional application be listed before the next available Circuit Bench under the heading 'Contested Application'.

Parties to act on a server copy of this order duly collected from the official website of the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta.

(Tirthankar Ghosh, J.)