

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-40124-2025
DECIDED ON: 24.09.2025

VINOD KUMAR ALIAS ARMAAN DHATARWAL
.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA
.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY VASHISTH.

Present: Mr. Ajay Chaudhary, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Kanwar Sanjiv Kumar, AAG, Haryana.

SANJAY VASHISTH, J (ORAL)

1. Prayer in this petition, filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023 (earlier Section 438 Cr.P.C.), is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, who has been booked in a criminal case arising out of First Information Report, as detailed hereunder:-

Name & age of Petitioner (s)	FIR No.	Date	Section(s)	Police Station	District
Vinod Kumar alias Armaan Dhatarwal, aged about 34 years	856	29.12.2020	406 and 420, 120-B, 34 of IPC	City Hansi	Hisar

2. It is noticed that petitioner’s first anticipatory bail petition, i.e., CRM-M-7174-2021, was dismissed by the then Co-ordinate Bench on 16.02.2021 (Annexure P-4), after considering the matter on merits.

3. In an attempt to explain the circumstances under which the present second anticipatory bail petition has been filed, counsel for the petitioner submits that certain developments have occurred during the course of investigation. Specifically, a statement of Amit Bhatnagar,

Branch Manager of Bank of Baroda, was recorded (Annexure P-3), wherein account statement details from 19.09.2019 to 10.10.2020 were furnished.

However, this Court finds that the said period pertains to much prior to the dismissal of the first anticipatory bail petition on 16.02.2021. As such, this plea could very well have been raised during the hearing of the earlier petition. Furthermore, as per the settled position of law, a second anticipatory bail petition is not maintainable unless there is a substantial change in circumstances, which is not evident in the present case.

4. Faced with the situation, counsel for the petitioner seeks withdrawal of the present petition, with a request for issuance of a direction to decide the regular bail petition within some time-bound manner, if filed by the petitioner after surrendering, as the offences are triable by the Court of learned Magistrate.

5. In view of the statement made by counsel for the petitioner, **present petition stands dismissed as withdrawn**, with the direction that, if the petitioner surrenders before the concerned Court within a period of two weeks from today and files an application for regular bail, the same shall be decided within two days thereafter, in accordance with law.

(SANJAY VASHISTH)
JUDGE

24.09.2025

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<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>