



**105 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CRM-M-27950-2026

Date of Decision: 18.05.2026

Rashpal Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr. Ritesh Pandey, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Ekompal Sagoo, AAG, Punjab.

Rajesh Bhardwaj, J.

1. This is the second petition for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in a case FIR No.145 dated 17.09.2025, registered under Section 419, 420, 465, 466, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B IPC, at Police Station Ramdas, District Amritsar Rural.

2. The petitioner earlier approached this Court by of filing CRM-M-61502-2025, which was dismissed on merits vide order dated 03.11.2025. Now the petitioner has filed second petition for grant of anticipatory bail after a gap of about 6½ months. However, learned counsel for the petitioner has failed to point out any material change in facts or circumstances arising subsequent to the dismissal of the earlier petition.

3. It is well settled that a successive petition for anticipatory bail is not maintainable in the absence of a substantial change in circumstances. Mere passage of time or reiteration of earlier submissions cannot be construed as a change in circumstance so as to invoke the jurisdiction of this Court again. Entertaining such petitions without any fresh grounds would amount to a review of the earlier order, which is impermissible in law.



4. The Hon’ble Supreme Court in G.R. Ananda Babu vs. State of Tamil Nadu, 2021(1) RCR (Criminal) 843, has categorically held that successive anticipatory bail applications ought not to be entertained on the specious plea of “changed circumstances” unless there are substantial and compelling new grounds.

5. In the present case, since no such change in circumstance has been demonstrated and the issues raised stand substantially covered by the earlier order passed by this Court, the present petition is held to be not maintainable. Accordingly, the petition is dismissed as such.

18.05.2026			(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
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	Whether Speaking/Reasoned	:	Yes/No
	Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No