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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **BAIL APPLN. 4/2019 and CrI.M.A.61-62/2019**

RISHU GALHOTRA

..... Petitioner

Through: Mr. Prem Prakash, Advocate with
Mr. Shikhar Bhardwaj, Advocate

versus

STATE

..... Respondent

Through: Mr. Amit Ahlawat, APP for the State
with SI Sunil Kumar, PS Dwarka
North

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE R.K.GAUBA

ORDER

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07.01.2019

The petitioner is facing trial, *inter alia*, on the charge for offence under Sections 397/411 IPC on the basis of reports (charge sheets) submitted on conclusion of the investigation into FIR No.348/2017 of Police Station Dwarka North.

The Status report filed in response to the bail application indicates that the petitioner has a history of involvement in atleast ten criminal cases in the past, eight of them being similar in nature, in that they would involve offences of robbery (or armed robbery). Though it is the submission of the petitioner through counsel that he has been acquitted in eight of the said cases, there is no clarity as to whether the said result of the previous cases was on account of benefit of doubts being extended or with findings of false implication.

Be that as it may, in the present case, the previous conduct of the petitioner is of avoiding the process of law. He had absconded and could not be found initially during the investigation, he being declared proclaimed offender. His arrest was effected later which led to be being brought to the court for trial along with co-accused. During the test identification parade (TIP), he has been identified positively by one of the crucial witnesses on whose testimony prosecution relies upon to prove the active role attributed to him in the armed robbery. The submission that the acts attributed to him were not on account of his “*lust for money*” but on account of he being a “*victim of circumstances*” do not appeal to this court at this stage of prayer for release on bail.

Given the facts and circumstances, no case is made out for admitting the petitioner on bail.

Dismissed.

This disposes of pending applications as well.

R.K.GAUBA, J.

JANUARY 07, 2019

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