

Government of Karnataka

(C.R.P.67)

**BEFORE THE 1st ADDL. DISTRICT AND SESSIONS COURT,
CHIKKAMAGALURU.****S.C.No.43/2024****PW.12****CW.17**

(The witness is present in the remote point at RFSL, Mangaluru. The co-ordinator at remote point i.e., Sri.Padmaj Kalgudkar, Scientific officer, Biology section, RFSL, Mangaluru, who is co-ordinator of remote point is present and Smt. Roopa.C.R, Typist who is the co-ordinator of court point is present. Before recording the evidence through Video Conferencing, it is ascertained that the voice is clearly audible and there is no technical defect in recording the evidence of witness through Video Conferencing.)

Duly Sworn on: 10-03-2026

Witness Name : Kasthuri Vadeyar
Husband's Name : Ravi Hugar
Age : 42 years
Occupation : Senior Scientific Officer,
Biology section, RFSL
Mangaluru.
Place of Residence : Mangaluru

Examination in Chief by Public Prosecutor:-

I worked as Scientific Officer from 2014 to December 2019 at RFSL Mangaluru and presently I am working as Senior Scientific Officer in the said laboratory.

2. On 07-03-2023, 04 sealed articles pertaining to Crime No.29/2023 of Sakharayapatna Police station were received in

our laboratory for examination through CPC Prathap.B.T of said station. The seal found on the said articles were intact and tallied with the sample seal sent by the Investigating Officer and the same were registered as B.S.126/2023. I opened the said articles on 21-03-2023 for examination and the description found on the articles were corresponding to the description made in the invoice. On opening, I found following articles:-

1. Blood stained soil
2. Sample soil
3. One shirt
4. One underwear

3. I have subjected aforesaid articles to Benzidine/Phenolphthalein tests. Further the presence of blood stains was also confirmed by conducting Takayama crystal test. The presence of blood stains were detected on articles No.1, 3 and 4. The nature of stains and their extent, size and location were also mentioned in the report.

4. The specimen cuttings/scrapings of the blood stained articles were subjected to serological analysis and the origin was determined by GEL Diffusion method, Cross Over Electrophoresis and the blood grouping was determined by the Absorption Elution method. The blood stains detected on articles No.1, 3 and 4 were of human origin belonging to 'O' group.

5. In this regard I prepared the reported on 25-03-2023 and digitally signed it on 30-03-2023 and forwarded the same to the investigating officer through FLMS. After examination, I repacked those articles and sealed the same with sample seal of RFSL, Mangaluru and handed over the same to the concerned Police. Now I see the said report and it bears my digital signature. The said report is marked as Ex.P.21. I can identify the articles examined by me as I had put BS number as B.S.126/2023, my short signature and round seal of our office on the slips affixed on the said articles.

6. Now I see said articles, which were examined by me and my signature is found on the slips affixed on the cloth bags containing said articles and I also see round seal of our office on the said slips with B.S.126/2023.

7. Out of said articles, one pink coloured shirt and blue coloured underwear are already marked as MO.1 and MO.2 respectively. The remaining articles i.e. blood stains soil and sample soil are now marked as MO.3 and M.O.4 respectively. The signatures of the witness identified on the slips affixed on MO.1 to MO.4 are marked as MO.1(a), MO.2(a), MO.3(a) and MO.4(a).

8. Later on 04-08-2023, 02 sealed articles pertaining to aforesaid crime were received in our laboratory for examination through CPC Shivakumar Naik. The seal found on the said articles were intact and tallied with the sample seal sent by the Investigating Officer and the same were

registered as B.S.369/2023. I opened the said articles on 23-08-2023 for examination and the description found on the articles were corresponding to the description made in the invoice. On opening, I found following articles:-

1. One machu
2. One katti

9. I have subjected aforesaid articles to Benzidine/Phenophthalein tests. Further the presence of blood stains was also confirmed by conducting Takayama crystal test. The presence of blood stains were detected on articles No.1 and 2. The nature of stains and their extent, size and location were also mentioned in the report.

10. The specimen cuttings/scrapings of the blood stained articles were subjected to serological analysis and the origin was determined by GEL Diffusion method, Cross Over Electrophoresis and the blood grouping was determined by the Absorption Elution method. The blood stains detected on articles No.1 and 2 were of human origin belonging to 'O' group.

11. In this regard I prepared the reported on 30-08-2023 and digitally signed it on the same day and forwarded the same to the investigating officer through FLMS. After examination, I repacked those articles and sealed the same with sample seal of RFSL, Mangaluru and handed over the same to the concerned Police. Now I see the said report and it

bears my digital signature. The said report is marked as Ex.P.22. I can identify the articles examined by me as I had put BS number as B.S.369/2023, my short signature and round seal of our office on the slips affixed on the said articles.

12. Now I see said articles, which were examined by me and my signature is found on the slips affixed on the cloth bags containing said articles and I also see round seal of our office on the said slips with B.S.369/2023.

13. Upon being identified by the witness, one machu and one katti are now marked as M.O.5 and 6 respectively. The signatures of the witness identified on the slips affixed on MO.5 and MO.6 are marked as MO.5(a) and MO.6(a).

(The weapon identified as M.O.5 was produced before the court in sealed manner and it is opened and shown to the witness today in the presence of accused, his counsel and Public Prosecutor)

14. Now I see the sample seals forwarded to the investigating officer with the articles and it bears my signatures. Said sample seals are marked as Ex.P.23 and 24 and signatures of witness are marked as Ex.P.23(a) and Ex.P.24(a).

Cross Examination by Kum.UM advocate on behalf of Sri.IST, counsel for accused:-

15. I had not taken the photographs of the articles to say that the seal found on it were intact. Along with the

requisition, the police had sent the complaint, FIR, invoice and sample seal. The details of the case were also uploaded in the FLMS. It is false to suggest that without conducting the examination of any articles, I had issued false reports as per Ex.P21 and P.22 only on the basis of the information uploaded in FLMS. It is false to suggest that I issued false report and deposing falsely at the say of police. It is false to suggest that I have not examined any articles as per M.O.1 to 6.

Re-examination: Nil.

(Typed to my dictation in Open Court)

R.O.I. & A.C.

Sd/-

(BHANUMATHI. B.C.)

1st Addl. District and Sessions Judge,
Chikkamagaluru.