

IV ADDL. DISTRICT AND SESSIONS JUDGE HASSAN
(SIT AT CHANNARAYAPATNA)
Sessions Case: 236/2024

PW: 10 (CW: 23)

Witness present and duly sworn on : 29.09.2025

Deposition of : Shashidhara M.S
Father/husband name : Shivananda
Age : 43 years
Occupation : PC, Hirisave Circle Inspector Office
Resident of : Channarayapatna

Examination in chief by Public Prosecutor:

1) Since 01.08.2021, I have been working as PC in Hirisave Circle Inspector Office.

2) On 24.07.2024, CW27 has deputed me and CW21 to search and apprehend Accused of this case.

3) On 25.07.2024, in the morning hours myself and CW21 have searched the accused in the limits of Hirisave Kadaba Village, Bindiganavile, Bellur Cross and after receiving credible information from the police informant visited Railway Station of Bellur Cross, accused attempted to

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ran away after seeing us. We caught hold him at 7.30 am and produced him at 8.30 am before CPI, Hirisave police-CW27 along with the report. Now I see the report. The report is marked as **ExP24** and signature of witness is marked as **ExP24(a)**.

4) I can identify the accused person apprehended by me. Witness identified the accused person produced before the court through VC from JC.

Cross-examination by Smt. KSN Deputy Defence Counsel for the accused :

5) On 24.07.2024, CW27 has orally deputed as to search and apprehend accused person. At that time photograph of the accused person was handed over to us. I have not mentioned in the station house diary about search of accused person in the Hirisave, Kadaba Village, Bindiganavile, Bellur Cross, witness volunteers I have mentioned it in my report. I have not recorded the statement of the other persons present at the spot at the time of apprehending the accused person. I have not obtained the

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signature of the CW21 to the ExP24-Report. It is false to suggest that we have called the accused person to the Police Station for enquiry and arrested him in the station. It is false to suggest that we have not apprehended the accused person at Railway station at Bellur Cross. It is false to suggest that I am deposing falsehood at the directions of CW27-Investigating Officer.

6) It is false to suggest that I am seeing the accused person for the first time now in the court.

Re-examination: Nil.

(Computerized to my dictation in the open court)

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PW: 11 (CW: 4)

Witness present and duly sworn on : 29.09.2025

Deposition of : Manjunath
Father/husband name : Revanna
Age : 35 years
Occupation : Painter
Resident of : Ngarabavi, Bengaluru

Examination in chief by Public Prosecutor:

1) I knew deceased Kempadevamma and I have seen her. I know accused-Nataraj Naika and I have seen him.

2) I know Kempadevamma since two years through phone. At that time she was residing of Kikkeri Village and I was residing at Bengaluru. One day I wrongly dialed to the phone number of Kempadevamma and thereafter we were in contact through phone for a period of 2 years. My phone number is 7899971866. I do not remember the phone number of deceased Kempadevamma. In phone we were chatting as friends.

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3) On 21.04.2024, during evening hours I have visited the house of Kempadevamma situated near Hirisave. Said house was situated in the garden land. When I visited the house of Kempadevamma, in their house along with Kempadevamma, her husband and her son were there. On that day I had dinner in their house and chicken pulao was prepared by her. That night I stayed there and returned to Hirisave next day early morning before they got up from sleep. When I was on my way and reached Hirisave, Kempadevamma called me over the phone and forced to have breakfast. Therefore I returned to their house and had breakfast. At that time, husband of Kempadevamma present there directed me not to come to home hereinafter. Therefore, in order to stay away from the marital life of Kempadevamma, I returned to Bengaluru.

4) After 2-3 days, I came to know that Accused-Nataraj Naika has took Kempadevamma to the lands in the guise of de-weed and killed her by tying rope around her neck.

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5) Ld PP prays permission to open the CD kept in a sealed brown cover and the certificate issued by the FSL kept in a brown sealed cover available with the charge sheet, permitted. Seal is opened in the open court in the presence of Ld PP, defence counsel and witness. CD with caption, 'FLMS/AVFS/594/2024' is present in the brown cover and played in the open court. The witness verified the video and identified the house of Kempadevamma to which he has given a visit on 21.04.2024. The Compact Disc is marked as **ExP25**. The certificate U/s 63(4)(c) of BSA and sample seal are present in another sealed brown cover. The certificate U/s 63(4)(c) of BSA is marked as **ExP25(a)** (subject to proof and relevancy).

6) Police have enquired about incident and recorded my statement. I can identify the accused person. Witness identified the accused person produced before the court through VC from JC and states that said accused person is husband of Kempadevamma.

(at this stage, on the request of Public Prosecutor this witness has been treated as partly hostile and permission is accorded for cross examination)

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Cross-examination by Public Prosecutor:

7) It is true to suggest that in my statement before the police I have stated that, I have visited the house of Kempadevamma on 21.07.2024. It is true to suggest that the video played in the open court was recorded on 22.07.2024 when I was present in the house of Kempadevamma.

Cross-examination by Smt. KSN-Deputy defence counsel for the accused :

8) It is true to suggest that when deceased Kempadevamma was residing in Kikkeri village, I was not aware of her family matters. It is true to suggest that I have no personal knowledge of the marital and family matters of Kempadevamma when she was residing near Hirisave Village. It is false to suggest that in the event I had continuous contact with the deceased Kempadevamma over the phone I could have stated her phone number, witness volunteers that her phone number was saved in my phone.

9) It is true to suggest that the date of recording is not visible in the ExP25-Compact Disc. I came to know about

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the murder of the Kempadevamma after 3-4 days through Hirisave Police. I cannot say the date of knowledge of murder. I have not visited the crime spot. It is false to suggest that I do not have knowledge of the murder of Kempadevamma. It is false to suggest that in case of knowledge of the murder, I would have certainly visited the crime spot.

10) I have given statement before the Hirisave police after 4-5 days from the date of murder. It is false to suggest that even though I do not have knowledge of the incident, I am deposing falsely at the direction of the police. It is false to suggest that I have not given statement before Hirisave police.

Re-examination: Nil.

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