

IN THE COURT OF THE II ADDL.DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE,
KODAGU-MADIKERI (SITTING AT VIRAJPET)

Spl.C.5014/2020

PW: 17

CW: 19

Duly sworn on 12.11.2025

Name of the witness	Sathish Kumar
Father Name	Mani
Age	44 years
Occupation	Auto driver
Residence & Mobile Number	Nittur

Examination-in-chief by Public Prosecutor:

1. I do not know accused. I know CW.18. About 5 years back, about 11.30 am I was proceeding in a auto-rickshaw from Gonikoppa to Balele. At Balele town, police stopped my vehicle and asked me to stand for photo and took photograph as a witness in the case. I was told that the poison bottle was thrown in the place. The accused has handed over the poison bottle to the police. At that time, the photo was taken. Now I see the five photographs, I am

appearing with CW.18, the accused and police personnel.

The five photographs are marked as **Ex.P.16(series)**.

2. I had signed at the spot. I do not know what happen to the bottle. Now I see the my signature in the notice, it is since xerox not marked. My signature in the mahazar is appearing, mahazar is marked as **Ex.P.17, 17(a)** is my signature. Now I see the poison bottle which was seeing on the date of mahazar and identify the same, it is already marked as MO.1.

(At the stage learned PP seeks to declare witness as partly hostile, permitted)

Cross Examination: Learned Public Prosecutor.

3. It is not true that on 15.02.2020, the police called me and CW.18 to the police station and issued notice, briefed about the information given by the accused. It is not true that the accused led us to Balele-Ponnampet main road near Janaki coffee mill estate, by the side of Moodera Kiran coffee estate fence, the accused produced MO.1

having thrown the poison bottle after administering to the deceased in the very same spot. It is not true that after seizing the bottle in our presence in white cotton cloth and sealed and conducted Ex.P.17 mahazar. The signature appearing on the chit pasted on article is my signature and marked as **MO.1(b)**, it was signed in the Balele auto stand. It is not true that the mahazar was read over to me after understood the contents signed the mahazar. It is not true that to help the accused, I am deposing falsely before the Court.

Cross Examination: Sri.KKM Counsel for accused

4. It is true that I cannot correctly identify MO.1 as a bottle which was in the hands of the accused on that day.

Re- Examination: Nil.

(Typed to my dictation in the open court)

ROI & AC

Sd/-

II Addl.District & Sessions Judge,
Kodagu-Madikeri(Sitting at Virajpet)