

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

S.C.No.5028/2024

PW:8

CW:22

Duly sworn on 29.01.2026

Deposition of	Dr.Ravikumar R
Father Name	N Ram Murthy
Age	48 years
Occupation	Associate Professor, Kodagu Institute of Medical Science, Madikeri
Residence & Mobile Number	Madikeri

Examination-in-chief by Public Prosecutor:

1. Since from 09.08.2016, I have been working as a Associate Professor, Medical Consultant Department of Forensic in the Kodagu Institute of Medical Science, Madikeri.

2. On 30.03.2024 at 7.30 PM, I received requisition from CPI, Gonikoppa Circle, Ponnampet Police Station

Cr.No.41/2024 to conduct Postmortem examination of deceased M.N.Prakasha, aged about 57 years. Now I see the true copy of form No.146(i) and 146(ii). Same are marked as **Ex.P.28 and 29.** My signature in Ex.P.28 marked as **Ex.P.28(a).**

3. Before commencement of postmortem examination, the X-ray of head /chest/abdomen/AP view taken. On 30.03.2024 between 7.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m., I have conducted Postmortem examination of deceased M.N.Prakasha in Mortuary of District Hospital, Madikeri.

Cloths and articles over the body:

- 1) Light blue full sleeve shirt which is blood soaked and having multiple perforations.
- 2) Black jeans pant
- 3) Blue colour shot

After examination the above cloth No.1, dried, packed, labeled, sealed and handed over to concerned police along

with sample seal. The light blue colour full sleeve shirt now shown to me it is already marked as MO.1.

4. On external examination, I found:

Dead body is that of male, measuring 174 cms in length, moderately built and nourished, rigor mortis present in both upper and lower limbs. Faint postmortem stains present over back of the body. Skin Peeling with redness present at places over both forearms and legs. Old scar of 30 cms X 2 cms is present over inner aspect of right leg. Face, Neck and Chest region are soaked with blood and active bleeding from the wounds present.

5. On external examination following injuries are seen:

1. Penetrative wound circular in shape of 0.5 X 0.4 cms present over top of shoulder from a distance of 14 cms from Neck over right side,

which has abraded margin with blackened boarder and active bleeding, the wounds are of bone deep.

2. Penetrating wounds of 0.5 X 0.4 cms Six in numbers are present over front and inner aspects of right arm with margins abraded and blackened with active bleeding situated over an are of 30 cms X 10 cms from injury No.1, the wounds are of bone deep.
3. Penetrating wounds of 0.5 X 0.4 cms (Three in numbers) present over upper and right part of Chest with margins abraded and blackened with active bleeding which are of bone deep, over anterior and middle axillary lines.
4. Penetrating wound of 0.5 X 0.4 cms is present over epigastric region of abdomen.
5. Penetrating wounds of 0.5 X 0.4 cms is present over front and middle parts of right arm (three in numbers) with margins abraded and blackened, with active bleeding and of bone deep.

Cranium and Spinal Canal

Skull and Vertebrae	Membranes	Brain and Spinal cord
Scalp- Intact Skull- Intact	Intact	Intact and pale

Thorax

Wall, Ribs and cartilages	Pleura	Larynx and Trachea	Lungs		Pericardi um	Heart	Blood Vessels
			Right	Left			
On reflection, blood extravasation present over right side of Chest, ribs are 2 to 5 fractured at multiple sides.	Containing 1000 ml of blood and clots on either sides.	Intact and pale	Both lungs were multiple perforations over its surface, with active bleeding, the cut section- Exudes frothy fluid mixed with blood		Intact and pale The pellets are recovered from chest cavity and presented for ballistic analysis.		

Abdomen

Walls	Peritoneum	Mouth Pharynx and Oesophagus	Stomach and its contents	Small intestine and its contents	Large intestine and its contents	Liver	Spleen
Prescribed	Intact	Intact and pale	Contains 250 ml of black fluid. Mucosa-Normal. Frutish Smell present.	Contains gas and its contents		Intact and pale	

Genito-Urinary Organs

Kidneys	Bladder	Organs of Generation, External and Internal
Intact and pale	Intact and empty	Intact

Muscles Bones and Joints

Injury	Disease Deformity	Fracture	Dislocation

6. Fracture ends show blood extravasation. Injuries are Antemortem in nature. The wound tracks are filled with blood and clots. Blood, stomach with contents, piece of

liver and Kidneys are preserved for chemical analysis and sent to FLS. The swabs from entry wounds and control swabs, pellets recovered for preserved and sent to ballistic Analysis.

7. Opinion about cause of death is reserved pending for want of Ballistic and Chemical Analysis reports. Now I see the P.M, report and it is marked as **Ex.P.30** and signatures of the witnesses are marked as **Ex.P.30(a) and (b).**

8. On 13.05.2024 the CPI of Gonikoppa Circle-Ponnampet Police Station sent requisition alongwith copy of RFSL report of final opinion. The requisition is marked as **Ex.P.31, 31(a)** is my signature. On perusal of postmortem examination findings and Negative Forensic Science Laboratory report and Ballistic reports, I am of the opinion that, **“Death is consistent with Shock and**

Haemorrhage as a result of shot Gun injuries sustained". Now I see the final opinion report and it is marked as **Ex.P.32** and signature of the witness is marked as **Ex.P.32(a)**. Now I see the FSL Report and ballistic report and same are marked as **Ex.P.33 and 34** respectively. Now I see the **three pellets** collected from the chest cavity of deceased dead body. Same are marked as **MO.17**. Injuries mentioned in the PM report could be possible with MO.5.

Cross-examination: Sri.SP Advocate of accused:

9. It is true that in Ex.P.30 pm report the number of pellets recovered from the body is not mentioned. MO.1, black jeans pant and blue colour short were packed separately. I have not mentioned that all the three articles were packed separately, I say serial numbers are mentioned in the PM report. In PM report, I have not mentioned the seal

alphabet number. I say, only number one that is only Mo.1 was sealed and packed as per the police report. Without seal serial No.2 and 3 in Ex.P.30 PM report the cloths were handed over to the police. If death occurs less than 24 hours, we issue the opinion the death is due to shock and Haemorrhage.

10. In Ex.P.30 PM report, I have not mentioned the size of pellets. Final opinion is given based on, Postmortem findings, FSL and ballistic reports. I had seen only the opinion of ballistic reports. There is no alcohol content in the body as per FSL report. I did not tested mouth odor. Viscera, blood, stomach with its contents, liver and kidney and preservative sodium chloride. It is not true that if does Viscera was preserved minus 18-20⁰ the alcohol contents. It is not true that Viscera was preserved in minus 18-20⁰

alcohol content would be detected. It is not true that since it was not preserved with 18-20⁰ the FSL findings regarding alcohol content is given in negative.

11. It is not true that as per the say of Police, without considering my postmortem examination findings, FSL and ballistic reports opinion has been given.

Re-examination: NIL

(Typed to my dictation in the open court)

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