

IN THE COURT OF THE
I ADDL. DISTRICT AND SESSIONS JUDGE, KOPPAL
(SITTING AT GANGAVATHI)

SPL.C.SC/ST No.23/2024

Duly sworn on: 15.12.2025

Further Examination in Chief by Learned Public

Prosecutor:

2. The Accused No.1 belongs to Jadara community. CW6 is the elder sister is the Accused No.1. CW6 has married one Adivappa of Valmiki community. CW6 had received around 5 acre 25 gunta of land from her mother Laxmamma. There was a dispute the Accused persons and CW1 & her husband with respect to the land.

3. Around 7-8 years ago, at about 05.00 pm, when I, CW1, 2, 4, 5 were working at the field of one Muralidhar, at that time, CW1 Renukamma left towards her home by stating that, she has got some work at home. When she was going towards her room, I heard the galata from the disputed field of the Accused persons. The disputed field is adjacent to the field of Muralidhar.

4. Upon hearing the galata, I, CW2, 4 and 5 went to the disputed field. At that time, we have found Accused No.1 to 3 in field. The Accused No.1 has caught hold of hand of CW1 and assaulted her with hand. The Accused No.1 has abused the caste of CW1 by stating that, "ಲೇ ನಾಯಕ ಸೂಳೀ, ನಮ್ಮ ಹೊಲದ ಮೇಲೆ ನ್ಯಾಯ ಹಾಕಿದಿರಿ, ನಿನ್ನ ಗಂಡನಿಗೆ ಹೇಳಿ ವಾಪಸ್ಸು

ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೀರಾ ಇಲ್ಲಾ?”. The Accused No.1 has also caused a life threat to husband of CW1 stating “ನನ್ನ ಹತ್ತಿರ ಇರುವ ಗನ್ ಇಂದ ನಿನ್ನ ಗಂಡನಿಗೆ ಕೊಲೆ ಮಾಡಿ ಬಿಡುತ್ತೇವೆ.” CW1 has informed Accused No.1 to inform the same to her husband and mother in law. The Accused No.2 and 3 have assaulted CW1 with their hands and kicked CW1. I have pacified the incident. The golden article of CW1 was lost and found on the next day. CW1 went to home and upon informing about the incident, she has filed a complaint against the Accused persons. Police have enquired me and I have given statement to them.

Cross-Examination by Sri SMS Advocate for Accused No.1 to 3.

5. I cannot state the day, date, month and year of the alleged incident. I do not know how many times the complainant has filed a complaint against the Accused persons. I do not know whether complainant had filed similar complaint prior to 20 days of the alleged incident. I do not know even in the said complaint, the complainant has mentioned the witnesses names as Naganna S/o Mukundappa & Hanumagouda S/o Guttappa Gouda who have pacified the incident. It is true to suggest that, Naganna S/o Mukundappa & Hanumagouda S/o Guttappa Gouda are my far relatives.

6. The uncle of complainant is my elder brother in my relation. Huligemma is not my relative. It is false to suggest

that, Huligemma is my relative through my father.

7. I do not know about the civil case pending between the complainant and the Accused persons. I am the native of Mallapur. The alleged incident has happened at Umbli Katapur village. The spot of alleged incident is around 2 km away from my house. I was working in the field of Muralidhar as coolie. Many people will go to his field for work depending on the requirements. 4-5 persons will regularly work in their field. On the date of the alleged incident, there were 2 male and 3 female workers in his field. There were also Kuruba community workers in the field of Muralidhar. Hanumamma belongs to Kuruba community and she was in the field. Hanumamma was also present at the time of alleged incident. Within 10 minutes of Renukamma leaving the field of Muralidhar, we have visited the alleged spot. 4 persons have gone to the alleged spot upon listening to galata. The spot alleged incident is around 100 meters away from the spot where we used to work. Pomegranate was grown in the field of Muralidhar. The cotton was grown in the field where the alleged incident took place. I used to spray pesticides at the time of alleged incident and women coolie workers were involved in cleaning work. It is false to suggest that, pesticides will be sprayed only in the morning. Witness volunteers that, even in afternoon 03.00 pm onwards it is sprayed. It is false to suggest that, after spraying of pesticides, the cleaning work will not be done. Witness volunteers that, the people will

work at the places where the pesticides are not sprayed. I went to the alleged spot within 10 minutes. It is false to suggest that, complainant was not visible from the place where we said to used work. There was galata when I went to the alleged spot. The Accused persons were scolding the complainant. Renukamma / complainant was at the alleged spot at the time. We have pacified the incident. It is false to suggest that, I have not seen the incident. The Accused No.2 and 3 have not assaulted the Complainant. The galata has happened for about 30 minutes. Muralidhar was not present at that time. There were no others in the surrounding fields. I do not know the company name of the pesticide which I used at the time of the incident in the field of Muralidhar. We used to go to the field of Muralidhar prior to 5-6 months of the incident. After we visiting the alleged spot, the Accused persons have left the complainant.

8. I have not seen the RTCs of the fields. After 2-3 days of the alleged incident, the complainant has filed a complaint. I do not know who have accompanied her to the Police Station at the time of filing the complaint. When Police came to the spot, I came to know about filing the complaint. After 2 days of galata, the Police came to the spot. I do not know the color of cloths worn by the Accused persons and the complainant at the time of the alleged incident. It is true to suggest that, the Accused persons have not abused the caste of the complainant in my presence. It is false to suggest that, the Accused persons

have not threatened by stating that, they will burn the complainant with the Gun. The Accused persons were not holding the Gun at that time. It is false to suggest that, no incident has happened in my presence. It is false to suggest that, I have not gone to the field of Muralidhar for work. It is false to suggest that, the complainant has not come to the field of Muralidhar. It is false to suggest that, though no incident has happened, I am deposing falsely before the Court. It is false to suggest that, the Accused persons have not caused a life threat. It is false to suggest that, as I am relative of the complainant, I am deposing falsely before the Court. It is false to suggest that, in order to unlawful gain, false complaint is filed. It is false to suggest that, though the Accused persons are not involved in the case, I am deposing falsely before the Court against them. It is false to suggest that, CW1, CW6 and her husband have made conspiracy against the Accused persons. I do not know the weight of the jewelry which was lost in the field. I came to know that, the complainant has received the same on the next day.

Re-examination: Nil.

(Typed to my dictation in open Court)

R.O.I. & A.C.

(Sadananda Nagappa Naik)
I Addl. District and Sessions Judge,
Koppal (Sitting at Gangavathi).