

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

SPL.C.SC/ST No.60/2024

Duly sworn on: 24.06.2025

Deposition of : Chandrappa Nayak
Father : Virupakshappa
Age : 56 Years
Occupation : Agriculturist and Managing Editor of
Bengaluru Bete Fortnightly News paper
Residence : Jeeralkgudi of Kanakagiri Taluk

Examination in Chief by Learned Public Prosecutor:

1. CW3 is my son. I am acquainted with CW2. I know the Accused No.1 to 3 who are present before the Court. The Accused No.1 to 3 are from Siddapur village. I am the member of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities), Koppal Committee. The District Commissioner is the president of the said committee. There will be a meeting of the committee once in three months.

2. In the year 1981-82, the land was allotted to 37 Devadasis. The Tahashildar of Gangavathi had informed me that, the lands are not yet mutated to Devadasis and he asked me to inform the same to the District Commissioner

in the meeting. I have mentioned the same during the district committee meeting. Later, the District Commissioner of Koppal has made an order directing Tahashildars of Gangavathi, Karatagi and Kanakagiri to visit the Government allotted land and make mutation of the same after surveying the allotted land. The District Commissioner of Koppal has also directed Tahashildars to produce the RTC and mutation entry before the upcoming meeting on 22.06.2023.

3. On 20.06.2023, the Accused persons made a phone call to me by using other phone numbers and threatened me by stating that, “ಏ ನೀನು ಜಮೀನು ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಕೈ ಬಿಡಲಿಲ್ಲ ಅಂದ್ರೆ, ಮುಂದೆ ಏನ್ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೇವೆ ಗೊತ್ತಿಲ್ಲ”. I have informed them by stating that, “ನಿಮ್ಮ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ನಾನೇಕೆ ಮಾತನಾಡಲಿಕ್ಕೆ ಹೋಗಲಿ?” and disconnected the phone call.

4. On 21.06.2023, myself and CW2 had visited Social Welfare Department at Gangavathi at about 12.00 in the afternoon. When we came out of the office after completion

of our work, we have found the Accused persons on the road out side the Social Welfare Department at Gangavathi. The Accused persons warned me by stating I am not leaving the property matter. I have informed and consoled them by stating I will not mention their names in the meeting. Thereafter, myself and CW2 went to Suzuki show room at Ranaprathap circle of Gangavathi. When I went inside the Suzuki show room and spoke on my vehicle for about 2 hours inside the show room and came out of the show room, it was about 02.00 pm. When myself and CW2 came out of the Suzuki show room, the Accused No.1 came there and abused my caste by stating "ಲೀ ನಾಯಕ ಸೂಲೀ ಮಗನೇ, ನಿನಗೆ ಎಷ್ಟು ಹೇಲಿದರೂ ಬುದ್ದಿ ಬರ್ತಾ ಇಲ್ಲ". The Accused No.2 abused my caste by stating "ಲೀ ಬೇಡರ ಸೂಲೀ ಮಗನೇ". The Accused No.3 abused my caste by stating "ಲೀ ನಿನಗೆ ಎಷ್ಟು ಹೇಲಿದರೂ ನೀವು ನಾಯಕ ಜಾತಿಯವರು ಇದೇ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೀರಿ".

5. Later, I came near vacant place of BG Electronic shop. The Accused No.1 came there and abused my caste by stating "ಲೀ ನಾಯಕ ಸೂಲೀ ಮಗನೇ". The Accused No.1 has

assaulted on my right chick with his right fist hand. The Accused No.2 has given fist blow on my right side above hip joint. The Accused No.3 has kicked me and given fist blow on me. The Accused No.3 has assaulted on my private part. Upon coming to know the incident, my son / CW3 came to the spot. CW2 and 3 have rescued me. The Accused No.1 and 2 have caused life threat to me and CW3 by stating “ನಿಮ್ಮನ್ನು ಜೀವ ಸಹಿತ ಬಿಡಲ್ಲ, ನಿನ್ನ ಹೆಂಡತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಮಕ್ಕಳನ್ನು ನೆಲದಲ್ಲಿ ಜೀವ ಸಹಿತ ಉಳಿಸಿ ಬಿಡುತ್ತೇವೆ.” I fell down unconscious at the spot. Later, CW2 and 3 have got admitted me to the Gangavathi Government Hospital. Police came to the Hospital after my first aid. CW15 PSI Chavan enquired me about incident and asked me to come to the Police Station to give the complaint. I have informed him that, I cannot come to the Police Station as I am suffering from injuries and I have given complaint to him at the Hospital. Witness identifies the complaint. The same is marked as Ex.P.-1. Witness identifies his signature on Ex.P.-1 and the signature of witness is marked as Ex.P.-1(a).

6. On the next day of the incident, the Dy.S.P. of Gangavathi / CW16 asked me to come to the Police Station. I have informed him that, I cannot come to the Police Station due to injuries. Later, I have visited the spot in an Auto when Dy.S.P. had sent 2 Police to the Hospital. The 2 Police have spoke with the Doctor. The Doctor has asked me visit the spot and come back. I have visited the spot and came back to the Hospital. I was admitted in the Hospital for 4 days.

7. I have shown the spot to the Police. Police have prepared spot mahazar. Witness identifies the the spot mahazar. The same is marked as Ex.P.-2. Witness identifies his signature on Ex.P.-2 and the signature of witness is marked as Ex.P.-2(a). Police have also taken Photographs at that time. Witness identifies the Photographs. The same are marked as Ex.P.-3 to 6. Witness identifies himself, Dy.S.P. and spot in the Ex.P.-3 to 6 Photographs. I do not know the other persons in the Photographs. Witness identifies the DVD. The same is marked as Ex.P.-7. Police have also video recorded my statement after 1 or 2 days of spot mahazar.

Further chief examination is deferred for want of Laptop for playing the DVD.

(Typed to my dictation in open Court)

R.O.I. & A.C.

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