



**IN THE COURT OF THE PRL. DISTRICT AND SESSIONS
JUDGE, TUMKUR.**

Spl.C.2/2021

PW: 8

Addl.Witness

DULY SWORN ON

DATE: 19.05.2026

NAME : Dr.M.D.Gowtham
FATHER'S NAME : M.P.Devappa
AGE : 50 years
OCCUPATION : Deputy Director, FSL, Bengaluru
RESIDENCE : Bengaluru

(Witness present through VC. Dr.Navya, Sr.Scientific Officer is appointed as co-ordinator at remote point and Smt.Shweta, System Assistant is appointed as co-ordinator at court point).

EXAMINATION IN CHIEF BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR:

1. Since 2004, I have been working as Scientific Officer, Sr. Scientific Officer and Deputy Director at FSL, Bengaluru. I have trained at NICFS, New Delhi. I have examined narcotic drugs in more than 5000 cases and submitted reports to the court and I gave evidence in more than 1000 cases.



2. On 06.11.2020, our laboratory received four sealed articles sent in respect of Cr.No.133/2020 of Tumakuru CEN police station through Nagaraju HC 317 of CEN police station. The seals found on the articles were intact and tallied with sample seal. The description found on the articles correspond to that of those present in the invoice.
3. The materials examined by me are article No.1 said to contain ganja, article No.2- said to contain ganja, article No.3- said to contain soil where ganja plant grown and article No.4- said to contain control soil. Article No.1- One sealed cloth packet containing one plastic cover having broken stems along with stalks bearing dried greenish brown leaves, fruiting and flowering tops and seeds with a characteristic smell. Article No.2- One sealed cloth packet containing one transparent plastic cover having broken stems, branches along with stalks bearing dried greenish brown leaves, fruiting and flowering tops and seeds with a characteristic smell. Article No.3- One sealed cloth packet containing light brown-red coloured soil lumps packed inside a plastic cover and Article No.4- One sealed cloth packet containing light brown-red coloured soil lumps packed inside a plastic cover. On examination, I gave my opinion as the the sample found in the article No.1 and 2 have responded positive for cannabis(ganja), the sample found in the article No.3 and 4 have responded negative



for cannabis(ganja) and Cannabis contains psychoactive constituents. I have issued report. Same is marked as Ex.P37 and my signature is marked as Ex.P37(a). Sample seal is marked as Ex.P38 and my signature is marked as Ex.P38(a). Now I see the articles examined by me and they are already marked as M.O.1 to 4.

Cross examination by Sri.G.S.Rehaman, advocate for accused No.1:

4. I have received copy of the mahazar along with articles sent for examination. I have separately tested two sample packets. It is not true to suggest that I have not examined the articles pertaining to this case. It is not true to suggest that I have not scientifically examined the articles and issued false report. It is not true to suggest that article No.1 and 2 do not contain the contents of Cannabis.

Cross examination by Sri.H.V.Ranganatha Reddy, advocate for accused No.2:

5. It is not true to suggest that article No.1 and 2 do not contain the contents of Cannabis.

Re-examination : Nil

(Typed to my dictation in open court)

R.O.I.A& C

**Sd/-
Prl.District & Sessions Judge,
Tumakuru.**