

**IN THE COURT OF THE IIND ADDL. DISTRICT & SESSIONS**  
**JUDGE, U.K. KARWAR.**

**Sessions Case No. 10/2019**

C.W. 64 P.W. 46  
Duly sworn on: 31-10-2025

Name : Dr. Shashinkant Naik CR  
Father's name : Rama Naik  
Age : 38 Years  
Occupation : Assistant Professor, Department Forensic Medicine,  
SIMS, Shivamogga.  
Residence : Shivamogga

**Examination in Chief by PP.**

1. From 14-11-2016 to 28-05-2021, I worked as Assistant Professor in Department Forensic Medicine at KRIMS, Karwar. I have done specialization in Forensic Medicine.
2. During tenure at KRIMS, Karwar, I have conducted several postmortem and I have submitted postmortem reports to the Courts and also I have deposed before the Courts.
3. On 23-10-2018 I was on duty. On the same day our Director had received a requisition letter from the Karwar Town Police, wherein the Police have requested to depute a Doctor for Medical Assistance in connection with the present crime. Thereafter, our Director has directed me to Assist the Police in the investigation.
4. Upon direction, I along with one mortuary Attender went to Police Station at 9:30 a.m, in our Hospital Ambulance with all required equipment's. At 9.45 a.m, the police took us to Aakalgavi Forest area.

Upon instruction we followed the vehicles of the police and when we reached to Ulavi Check Post, the Police have stopped their vehicles and we all got down from the vehicles and thereafter we all went to Aakalgavi Forest Area by walk.

5. On that day around 10 people including two accused persons were accompanied the Police. When we reached the Aakalgavi Forest area, the said Accused persons have shown a dead body. Thereafter, the Police have conducted the inquest panchanama. After the inquest panchanama, the Police have given requisition in Form No. 146(i) and 146(ii) to conduct Postmortem. Now I am seeing requisition and same is marked as Ex.P.117 and the signature is marked as Ex.P.117(a).

6. Thereafter, on the same day from 2:15 PM to 4:00 PM, I have conducted postmortem at the place wherein the dead body was found. During the postmortem, I found a underwear on the dead body and I have handed over the same to concerned Police.

7. On examination of body, it was male dead body, aged about 44 years and the length of the dead body was 172 C.M. However, due to decomposed, postmortem staining could not be appreciated and Rigor mortis passed off. Body and face is discoloured, disfigured and decomposed. Eyeballs and tongue protruded. Abdomen and external genitalia distended. Adipocere formation present over most of the body parts. Black discolouration of skin present over lower part of left leg upto ankle joint. Right thumb finger nail missing. Numerous maggots of varying sizes ranging from 0.1cm-0.3cm to 5cm-6cm present all over the body and in & out of the wounds. Scalp hairs and body hairs comes off easily on handling.

8. Thereafter on examination of dead body, I notice the following external injuries:

- 1) Deep gaping wound (? Chop wound), 15 cm X 8cm x vertebra deep, present over left side of lower aspect of neck with underlying vertebra C5 shows cut fracture. Most of the soft tissues are cut.
- 2) Chop like wound measuring, 15 cm X 12cm, present over tip of left shoulder.
- 3) Chop wound obliquely placed measuring 8cm X 2cm, present over lower aspect of left side of face with underlying mandible shows cut fracture.
- 4) Chop wound obliquely placed measuring 13cm x 2cm, present over sight side of face and ear. Underlying skull bone behind the ear shows cut fracture.
- 5) Chop wound obliquely placed measuring 15cm x 5cm, present over right side of face below injury No.4.
- 6) Stab wound, 5cm x 1.5cm x cavity deep, present over upper part of right side of chest, 2cm below right clavicle bone. Margins shows sharp at one end and blunt at other end.
- 7) Chop like wound measuring, 9cm x 8cm, present over tip of right shoulder.
- 8) Nose is chopped off. Nasal bone shows cut fracture.
- 9) Stab wound measuring 3cm x 4cm x tissue deep, present over back of lower aspect of right arm.
- 10) Chop wound (? Defense wound) measuring, 6cm x 6cm, present over back of right elbow with underlying forearm bones shows cut fracture.
- 11) Incised wound measuring, 6cm x 4cm, present over outer aspect of upper part of right forearm.

- 12) Multiple chop wounds (? Defense wounds) present over an area of 10cm x 8cm, over back of right hand exposing cut ends of underlying tissues and bones shows cut fractures.
- 13) Chop wound (? Defense wound) present over inner aspect of left hand with underlying bone shows cut fracture.
- 14) Chop wound (? Defense wound) present over back of left forearm at its lower aspect with underlying bone shows cut fracture.
- 15) Defense wound over an area of 15cm x 10cm present over back of left elbow, exposing the fractured ends of underlying bones.
- 16) Incised wound measuring 9cm x 2cm present over right buttock.
- 17) Stab wound measuring 5cm x 3cm x tissue deep, present over upper part of right side of thigh.
- 18) Open wound, over an area of 43cm x 28cm, present over lower part of back of abdomen and upper part of both buttocks exposing muscles and bones. Tissues are discoloured.

9. On dissection of the body

skull and vertebral

Scalp: on reflection, blood extravasation present over right temporo parietal region.

Skull: Cut fracture present over right temporal bone extending as a fissured fracture to right occipetal bone.

Vertebra: Cut fractured present over C5 vertebra.

Membranes :Discoloured and Lacerated corresponding to fractured sites and

Brain and Spinal Cord:

Brain: Liquefied and reddish in colour.

Spinal cord: Lacerated corresponding to fractured sites.

10. Thorax and abdominal organs are softened and discoloured,  
Stomach was empty,

More detailed description of Injury

- Fractured ends of bone shows blood extravasation.
- Injuries from No. 1 to 17 are ante mortem in nature
- Blood, viscera, mud from surrounding the body and mud from below the body, collected, preserved, labelled, sealed and sent to FSL (through concerned police) in a sealed manner along with sample seal as per police request.
- One molar tooth, two premolar teeth and sternum bone sent to Dna centre (through concerned Police) for DNA analysis in a sealed manner along with sample seal as per Police request.

11. As I have conducted postmortem, I have given my provision opinion

Since the FSL reported was awaited, cause of death was kept pending. For conducting postmortem of the dead body, I have issued postmortem report. Now I am seeing postmortem report and same is marked as Ex.P.118 and the signature is marked as Ex.P.118(a). In the postmortem report, due to typographical error, the timing was mentioned as 2:15 a.m to 4:00 a.m. instead of mentioning as 2:15 p.m to 4:00 p.m. Now I am seeing the underwear which was on the dead body and same is already marked as M.O.10. The witness identified the samples which are collected during the postmortem. The mud collected below the body is marked as M.O.19 and signature on the sample marked as M.O.19(a). The mud collected surrounding the body is marked as M.O.20 and signature on the sample marked as M.O.20(a). The witness identified the sternum bone and same is marked as M.O.21.

12. On 18.12.2018 I received a requisition containing six questions, from the Karwar Town P.S., along with Weapon. In the said requisition the Police have requested to examine the Weapon and furnish opinion regarding Weapon. When I have received the Weapon, same was in sealed condition containing two sample seals, one from Police and another one from RFSL. On opening the sealed packet, the Weapon was sickle with wooden handle. Thereafter I measured the Weapon and I have furnished my opinion as below.

- 1) One edge of the sickle is sharp for a length of 19 cm and other edge is blunt. It could be possible for a person to die if a person is hit by the type of weapon examined.
- 2) Could be possible by the type of weapon examined.
- 3) Injury no.'s 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 mentioned in the postmortem report could be possible by the type of weapon examined.
- 4) Could be possible for a bone to be fractured if hit by the type of weapon examined.
- 5) Injuries mentioned in the postmortem report could be possible by the tip and blade of the weapon examined.
- 6) It could be possible by the type of weapon examined.

After the examination the weapon is affixed with my signature, repacked, resealed, labelled and handed over to the concerned Police in a sealed manner along with the sample seal. Now I am seeing the requisition received from Karwar Police and same is marked as Ex.P.119 and the signature is marked as Ex.P.119(a). Now I am seeing my opinion on weapon and same is marked as Ex.P.120 and the signature is marked as Ex.P.120(a). Further now I am seeing Weapon (Sickle) and same is already marked as M.O.1 and signature on the sickle is marked as

M.O.1(b). Now I am seeing the sample seal and same is marked as Ex.P. 121 and the signature is marked as Ex.P.121(a).

13. Thereafter on 31.12.2018, I received a another requisition from Karwar Town Police Station alongwith two RFSL Reports to furnish final opinion. Accordingly I have gone through the RFSL Report as well as postmortem report and I furnished my final opinion. As per my final opinion as to cause of death was due to multiple injuries sustained. Now I am seeing RFSL Reports and same are marked as Ex.P.122 and 123. Now I am seeing my final opinion and same is marked as Ex.P.124 and signature is marked as Ex.P.124(a).

14. On 10.01.2019 I received one more requisition to furnish opinion regarding time since death. Upon going through the postmortem report, I opined that the time since death would be five days to seven days, at the time of postmortem examination. Now I am seeing my further opinion and same is marked as Ex.P.125 and signature is marked as Ex.P.125(a).

For Cross examination: Due to paucity of time the cross examination is deferred.

(Typed to my dictation in the open court)

R.O.I. & A.C.

Ilnd Addl. District & Sessions Judge,  
Uttara Kannada, Karwar.