

**IN THE COURT OF PRINCIPAL DISTRICT
AND SESSIONS/SPECIAL JUDGE, UDUPI**

CASE No: Spl.Case 58/2021 PW: 11

CW: 12

Name of the Witness : H.M. Nanjundaswamy
Husband Name : Mari Shetty
Age : 50 Years
Occupation : Retired Assistant Chemical examiner
Address : Nanjangudu

Evidence recorded through V.C

Duly sworn on 05-05-2025.

Chief examination by: Public Prosecutor.

1) From 1999 till 2022, I worked as Assistant Chemical Examiner in FSL, Bengaluru and R.F.S.L. Mangaluru. My qualification is M.Sc. Ph.D in Organic Chemistry. Till today I have examined and given opinions in more than 5000 cases.

2) On 11-04-2019, I received sealed articles from the PC 1207 of ACB Police Station with a requisition for scientific examination and report. On examination, I found the seals of all articles were verified and tallied with the enclosed specimen seal and found to be English letter "V" which were correct and intact.

3) The said articles sent for chemical examination were opened in my presence on 23-05-2019 and taken up for analysis, duly analyzed on 23-05-2019 and the following results.

| Sl. No. | Art. No. | Particulars of the articles | Physical Appearance | Test for Phenolphthalein | Test for Sodium Carbonate |
|---------|----------|--|----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 | 2 | Bottle containing sodium carbonate solution | Colourless solution | Negative | Positive |
| 2 | 3 | Bottle containing hand wash of Panch witness | Pink colour solution | Positive | Positive |

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| 3 | 4 | Bottle containing sodium carbonate solution | Colourless solution | Negative | Positive |
| 4 | 5 | Bottle containing Right hand was of Accused 1 Ramesh Manjunatha Varenekar | Pink colour solution | Positive | Positive |
| 5 | 6 | Bottle containing Left hand was of Accused 1 Ramesh Manjunatha Varenekar | Pink colour solution | Positive | Positive |
| 6 | 7 | Bottle containing sodium carbonate solution | Colourless solution | Negative | Positive |
| 7 | 8 | Bottle containing Right hand was of Accused 2 Munaf @ Munna | Pink colour solution | Positive | Positive |
| 8 | 9 | Bottle containing Left hand was of Accused 2 Munaf @ Munna | Pink colour solution | Positive | Positive |
| 9 | 10 | Cover with currency notes Rs.2,000 x 2=4,000-00 | Rs.2000 x 2 notes 1.0EQ 457669 2.9HR 425981 | Positive | Negative |
| 10 | 11 | Cover A4 SIZE PAPER | Cover A4 SIZE | Positive | Negative |
| 11 | 12 | Cover with cotton | Cover containing plastic cover with cotton | Positive | Negative |

RESULTS

Method Followed: Titration method using 0.1 N Standard Hydrochloric acid and 0.1 N Standard Sodium Carbonate solutions.

. The presence of both phenolphthalein and sodium carbonate is detected in the articles bearing Nos. 3, 5, 6, 8 and 9.

. The presence of only phenolphthalein is detected in the articles bearing numbers 10, 11 and 12.

. The Presence of only sodium carbonate is detected in the articles bearing numbers 2, 4 and 7.

. The series, numbers and denomination of the currency sent for chemical examination were tallied and verified with those of the currency seized during the trap as mentioned in the invoice.

. The analysed articles were again sealed with wax seal bearing English letters "RACE".

4) After examination, I am of the opinion that, the presence of Phenolphthalein is detected in tainted currency, A4 size paper used to cover the bride money, cotton smear, Right and Left Hand washes of both the accused Ramesh Manjunath Varnekar and Munaf @ Munna.

5) Accordingly I issued Report. The Report now shown to me is the same. It bears my signature. The same is marked as **Ex.P.38** and signature of the witness is marked as **Ex.P.38(a)**. I can identify the articles examined by me on that day. Now I see the same. They were already marked as M.O.2 to 10 and 13.

Cross-examination by: Sri. A.B.H Advocate for Accused No.1

1) It is not true to suggest that, M.O. 3,5,6,8,9 does not contained phenolphthalein. It is now after shaking the bottle

discloses the presence of phenolphthalein by getting pink shade to the solution. I have examined M.O 3,5,6,8,9 after about 67 days from the date of seized by the I.O. It is not false to say that, M.O 3,5,6,8,9 solutions did not contain phenolphthalein and it was not in pink colour. The observations found and recorded during the examination of Article No.3,5,6,8,9 are supplied to I.O. It is false to say that, I did not record the findings during the examination of M.O 3,5,6,8,9.

2. It is true that, along with the samples to be examined the names of accused persons and brief history of the offence is also disclosed. It is true that, the requisition for examination is received by me only. While conducting the chemical examination of the samples I take the assistance of staff. It is true that, report does not disclosed the staff assisting my work and it is not required. It is false to say that, I did not receive Article No.2 to 12 from I.O for examination. It is false to say that, Ex.P 38 report is fabricated for the investigation procedures. It is false to say that, I am not competent to examine the samples of chemical compounds to find the presence of sodium carbonate or the phenolphthalein. It is false to say that, I have issued Ex.P38 without properly examining the samples with the intention of harassing the accused.

Re examination: Nil.

(Dictated and typed in open court)

R.O.I. & A.C

Sessions Judge/Special Judge,
Udupi.

