

IN THE COURT OF THE 3rd A.D.J., AT HOSAPETE

Spl.C. No. 5002/2015

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Name : Sridhara. M.
Father's Name : Muddanna. H.
Age : 45 years
Occupation : Assistant Conservator of Forest,
Dodda Ballapur Sub-Division,
Bengaluru Rural District.
Residence : Dodda Ballapur

Duly Sworn on : 03-11-2023.

Examination-in-chief by: learned Spl.P.P.

I have served as the Range Forest Officer at Hosapete, since September, 2012 to July, 2016.

On 23-07-2014 I have received a Telephonic message from the Lokayuktha Police contending that they have Trapped one of the Junior Official by name Pamapathi Naik. I went to the Spot/Kallahalli Check Post. Lokayuktha Police have seized something, but exactly I cannot state whether it was a Mobile Phone or Money. There after Lokayuktha Police have taken the Accused alongwith the material seized. I have affixed my Signature to the Mahazar.

Now a Mahazar/ Ex.P.2 is shown to the Witness and questioned him to identify whether the said document contains his Signature. Witness identifies his Signature on it. On identification Signature of the Witness on Ex.P.2/Mahazar is marked as Ex.P.2(b).

On 01-08-2014 I have received a requisition from the Lokayuktha Police, requesting to give the details of deputing personal at Kallahalli Check-Post. I have given my report to this effect. Now I see the said Report. On identification the said Report is marked as Ex.P.31, Signature of the Witness is marked as Ex.P.31(a).

On 04-08-2014 Lokayuktha Police had called me and one of my Subordinate Official by name Veerabhadrappe. Accordingly we both have appeared before Lokayuktha Police, wherein Lokayuktha Police have asked us to recognize the voice of the person found in the voice recorder. We have heard the voice recorder; and recognized the voice of the Accused; to this effect Lokayuktha Police have drawn the Mahazar. I have affixed my Signature to the said Mahazar. On identification voice recording recognized is marked as Ex.P.32. Signature of the Witness is marked as Ex.P.32(a).

I have given Statement before the Lokayuktha Police.

I can recognize my Staff, who is present in the Court, in the Accused box.

Cross-examination by Sri.U.B.R., Adv for Accused :-

I had received phone call from the Lokayuktha Police on 23-07-2014 in between 08:00 pm to 09:00 pm in the night. When I went to the Kallahalli Check-Post, many people had gathered on the Check-Post. I have not personally seen the Lokayutkha Police seizing Money or Mobile Phone from the Accused. But, the Lokayuktha Police have seized something from the Accused.

I do not know whether the Accused is deputed from Sanduru to Hosapete. It is true to suggest that, prior to me taking the charge as a Range Forest Officer at Hosapete, Accused was serving at Hosapete. I was having Official contacts with the Accused, but not having any extra contacts. It is true to suggest that, like Accused other Officials of the same Cadre will be having Official contacts with me. It is big difficult for me to recognize the voice of each of my Sub-Ordinate Officials.

It is true to suggest that, voice of the Accused is not a specified voice, which can be easily recognized, but it is a normal voice.

I do not possess any special qualification or quality to recognize the voice of any of the Person, more specifically of my Sub-Ordinate Staff.

It is false to suggest that, I am deposing falsely that I have recognized the voice of the Accused, shown by the Lokayuktha Police, at their instance.

It is false to suggest that, no any Mahazar was drawn by the Lokayuktha Police in my presence at Kallahalli Check-Post; but it was drawn in the Lokayuktha Police Office; and I have affixed my Signatures on it in the Lokayuktha Police.

Re-examination - **Nil** -.

(Typed to my dictation in the open Court)

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(ABDUL-RAHIMAN .A. NANDGADI)
III Additional District & Sessions Judge,
Ballari (sitting at Hosapete).