

या साक्षीदाराचा पुरावा व्ही. सी. द्वारे नोंदविण्यांत येत आहे.

ऑडीओ व व्हिडीओ क्राॅलिटी तपासुन चांगली असल्याची खात्री करुन घेतली.

Exh. 105

Deposition of Witness No. 6 for the Prosecution.

I do hereby on solemn affirmation state that :

My name : Yogeshwar Vithoba Pardhi,

Aged about : 42 Years,

Occupation : PI,

Residence : Bhadrawati,

Tahsil and District : Chandrapur.

Exam-in-Chief by Ld. DGP Shri V. B. Bhole for the State :-

1] Since June 2016 to August 2021 I was attached to the ACB as PI. On 23/05/2017 Mohhamad Sabbir Mohhamad Hanif Sheikh filed written complaint against Mahesh Pathak. Two tenders were issued in the name of the son of the complainant from the Forest Department. One was a 15 X 20 platform at Virsi Fata in Nursery. The second was a platform a 15 X 20 near the Karanjekar school Javik Vividhata Udyan, Sakoli. Each worth Rs. 49,500/- together he received Rs. 99,000/-. This work was done by the complainant, his son and his friend Anil Wakekar together. The complainant was with the financial aspect of this work. This work was completed about one month ago. Cheque was received by one of accused. The second cheque was pending. The complainant inquired about it with Mahesh Pathak. He demanded bribe of 20% from the amount. Hence, the complainant gave written complainant to us. I am shown the written complaint it bears the signature of the complainant. Letter was issued to the Land Revenue Officer and The District Land Revenue Officer for providing panch. The letters are now shown to me. It bears the signature of the PI. Pradip Pullarwar. I identify the signature of him. The letters bear the signature of the clerk of the concerned office for receipt. Contents are true and correct. They are at

Exh. 106 and 107 respectively. The panch alongwith the letters from the concerned office were sent to our office. Now I am shown that letter at Exh.60. I am now shown the other letter receipt along the second panch. It was addressed to me. It is marked **Exh.108**. The panch was given the information about the complaint and their consent letter to act as panch was obtained. Now I am shown that consent letter at Exh.61. I know the letter. Now I am shown consent letter of panch Nilesh Khobragade. It bears my signature as before me. It is marked **Exh.109**. Then I introduced the complainant, panchas and the trap party. The complaint was given to the panch for reading it. They read it. Both the panch signed it. I also signed it. The complaint is at Exh.50.

2. The voice recorder which was going to be used for the trap was played before the complainant and the panch to demonstrate how it is give. A 8 GB memory card of Sandix company was inserted and got verified from the complainant and the panch with regards of the previous file existing in it. Instructions about pre-trap was issued to the complainant and panch No.1 Yogeshwar Dandare. The panch No.2 Nilesh Khobragade was instructed to remain with the trap party and observe. It was decided that the pre-trap verification would be done by going the Godhara bye pass.

Further examination-in-chief is differed by court time is over.

R.O.A.C.

Before me,

(Sabina A. Malik)
Special Judge, Bhandara.
Dt.- 02/06/2026

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3. The complainant was sent forward the trap party went in the government followed in a government vehicle Bodhra bypass. One of all removed the voice recorder carried along with us memory card was inserted and the voice recorder was started with the Panch No.1. The complainant went along with the Panch No.1 on his vehicle to the office of the accused. The trap party and the panch No.2 halted where we were. After some time the panch No.1 and the complainant returned. One of the trap party member removed the voice recorder put along the neck of the complainant and put it of with the voice of the panch No.1. The panch No.1 was asked about the incident that had occurred in his presence. He informed that they had met the accused in his house that was near his office. He informed that the accused demanded Rs. 22,000/- bribe from the complainant and after negotiation he agreed to Rs. 20,000/-. He also agreed to accept the bribe amount after two days. The complainant confirmed the facts narrated by the panch No.1. We asked the complainant the arranged for the bribe amount. He told that he would arrange it in two days. We decided to lay the trap on 25 th May 2017. Both the panch, complainant and the trap team returned to the ACB.

4. The hash value of the memory card used to record the voice was taken its hash value was obtained. Now I am shown the Hash Value F8079C627B6406551F01E90BD3ED54B2. The Hash Value certificate was issued by Mr. Ashwin Goswami. The certificate bears my signature and the signature of both the party. It's contents are true and correct. It is marked **Exh.111**. The verification panchanama of the process was drawn. It's contents are true and correct. It bears my signature and signature of panch. It is at Exh.62.

5. As decided on 25.05.2017 the complainant, both the panch came to the ACB at 10.30. The complainant produced the amount of Rs. 20,000/- that he would be using to give as bribe. There was 4 currency notes of 2,000 and 24 currency of 500. The panch No.1 read the serial numbers of the currency and the panch No.2 verified them. The complainant and panch were informed that anthracene powder would be applied on the currency. The anthracene powder is invisible in normal light and only blinks in florescent in dark. Police constable Bankar demonstrated the process on a plain paper to the complainant and the panchas. The anthracene powder was smeared on the currency notes. The currency notes were enclosed in envelope. The police constable Bankar was directed to wash his hands and blush the plan paper. It was confirmed whether the anthracene powder was absent on hands of each person or on the cloths of each person. The necessary instructions with regards to the trap was given to the complainant and the panchas. Panchnama was drawn with regard to this process. It bears my signature and signatures of panchas. It's contents are true and correct. It is on Exh.63. The complainant by his vehicle and the panchas along with the trap party in the government vehicle went to Bodhra bypass.

6. At Bodhra bypass the body search of the complainant was taken. The articles found on his person were returned to him. List of the body search article was prepared. It is at Exh.51. It bears my signature, signature of the complainant and both the panchas. The bribe amount was removed from the envelope by the hands of panch No.2 and it was put in the right side pocket of the complainant's pant. The panch No.2 was directed to wash his hands with soap. The voice recorder was started in the voice of panch No.1 and put around the neck of the complainant. The complainant and the panch No.1 went to the office of the accused on the private vehicle of the

complainant. The trap party along with the panch No.2 followed them. The complainant and the panch No.1 went to their office. We halted outside the office and in pair waited in the vicinity of the office. The complainant and panch No.1 came out of the office and went towards of the house of the accused. After some time the complainant untied the safron coloured dupatta that was tied around his head at the entrance of the house of the accused. This was the pre-decided sign to us of the bribe amount being accepted by the accused. All the trap party members reached the entrance of the house of the accused. The panch No.1 was near the gate of the house of the accused. He was questioned about the bribe amount. The panch No.1 pointed out to a persons sitting in the Varanda and told that he is Mahesh Pathak. Mahesh Pathak had accepted the bribe amount with his right hand and kept the amount in the right side of his pant. We introduced ourself to accused Mahesh Pathak. Two constable was directed to hold Mahesh Pathak by his elbow. The accused also gave his introduction as Mahesh Pathak when asked. The voice recorder around the neck o the complainant was removed and put off in the voice of Panch No.1.

7. One of the police constable was asked the get the bag of trap from the government vehicle. The accused was shown that none of the trap members had anthracene powder on their hands and cloths. Both the hands of the accused were checked by ultra violet lamp. His right hand fingers were found to emit florescent light. The panch No.2 was directed to remove the bribe amount from the pocket of the pant of the accused. The bribe amount was spread over the table. The currency notes were checked under ultra violet lamp. The currency notes were found to emit florescent light. The panch No.2 read over the serial number of the currency notes. Panch No.1 tallied those numbers with the numbers in the panchnama. They tallied.

8. The seized bribe amount was sealed in an orange envelope. Seizure memo was prepared of the seized currency. The seized notes are at Article-1 (MO-1). It is at Exh.64. It bears my signature, signature of accused and signature of panch. The pocket of the accused was turned out and checked. It had traces of the powder. The pant was seized by seizure panchanama Exh.65. The seized pant are Article-2 (MO-2). The hands of panch No.2 were checked. Anthracene power was found on his fingers. The panch No.2 was told to wash his hands. The hands of the complainant was also checked. His right hand finger had traces of anthracene powder.

9. The personal search of accused Mashesh Pathak was done. The search memo was prepared. The articles found on the process was returned him. The personal search memo is at Exh. 68. Personal search of the complainant was done again. The search memo was prepared. The articles found on the process was returned him. The personal search memo is at Exh. 67. The rough sketch of the spot was prepared. It bears my signature and signature of the panch. It is at Exh.66. As there was a crowd gathering at the office of the accused we decided to the rest of the procedure at the police station. P. I. Pullarwar from Sakoli Police station was sent to Umari for the arrest of the co-accused Tarone. He produced the co-accused Tarone in the police station. His physical search was taken. The search memo was prepared. The articles found on the process was returned him. The personal search memo is at Exh. 69.

10. The memory card used in this proceeding. The hash value of the file created on 25th May 2017 was taken. It's hash value is 987509BD727B201BD42DB7337CC1FA93. It was obtained by Ashwin Goswami. I issued the certificate. Now I am shown the certificate. Its contents are true and correct. It is marked **Exh.112**. Trap Panchnama was

drawn. It bears my signature and signature of panchas. It is at Exh.70.

11. I then lodged complaint on behalf of the State. It is now shown to me. It bear my signature. Its contents are true and correct. It is marked **Exh.113**. On the basis of the complaint printed FIR Form was filled in. It is now shown to me. Its contents are as per the complaint. It is marked **Exh.114**. I issued letter dated 25.05.2017 to the PI Sakoli to transfer the investigation the ACB along with the case diary. I am now shown the letter. It bears my signature. It also bears the signature of concerned police station of Sakoli Police Station. It is marked **Exh.115**.

12. Both the accused were arrested. Arrest panchnama is at Exh.71 and Exh. 72. The voice sample of both the accused was obtained on 26.05.2017. Panchanama to that effect was drawn. Now I am shown the panchnama. It bears my signature and signature of panch. It is marked Exh.73.

13. A separate memory card was used to obtain the voice sample of both the accused. The hash value of the file created on 26th May 2017 was taken. It's hash value is 9F265658A2E28C95850C7491EC18679E. It was obtained by Ashwin Goswami. I issued the certificate. Now I am shown the certificate. Its contents are true and correct. It is marked **Exh.116**. 65-B certificate was obtained from Ashwin Goswami as he has handled the computer and voice reorder. That certificate is at Exh.90. The memory card with samples of the voice recording was sent to the forensic lab. It is at Exh.82. The report of the forensic lab has been received and is filed on record. It is at Exh.4. The office of the accused was informed. Communication was done with the Secretary of Revenue and Forest Department for sanction against the accused. The sanction was received.

After completion of the investigation on sufficient evidence is found I forwarded the charge-sheet in the court. I will be able to identify the accused if I seen them. The accused No.2 is present in the court. I identify him. The accused No.1 is absent.

Cross –examination is differed by court time is over.

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