

Deposition of witness no. 1 for accused.

I do hereby state on solemn affirmation that :-

My name : Babasaheb Suresh Sonwane

Age about : 32 years.

Occupation : Police patil at village Katri.

Residence at : Katri, Tal. Tuljapur, Dist. Osmanabad.

Examination-in-Chief by Advocate. Shri.P.P. Kasture on behalf of accused:-

1. I am police Patil since 2018. I am acquainted with accused persons as well as complainant party as residing at Katri village. The complainant is my relative. During the relevant period of incident, it was a Covid period. The villagers were restricted their entry and exit as directed from police station to control covid. We had team of 10 members including sarpanch, Gramservak, police patil and others. The entry of outsiders in the village were noted in the register. Today I have brought the original register. It contents the entries from 15.03.2020 to 13.10.2020. I am not acquainted with Arun Gulab Dhale. During the above period, there is no mentioning of Arun Dhale visited the village. The extract of register furnished for perusal of record it is compared with the original. It bears my signature on each and every of page of the extract. The contents therein are true and correct. It is hereby marked at **Exh.46**. The no person would enter in the village suppressing himself.

Cross-examination by Ld. APP P.K. Jadhav for the State:-

2. The population of our village is about 1500 to 1800. Sindhphal village is about distance of 10 k.m. Both belong to same taluka. Today I have brought the certificate issued by police appointing me as police patil. It is true to say that the certificate is not regarding my

appointment as police patil. It is true to say that appointing of police patil is authorized to Collector, not police.

3. I do not remember the date when the notification was issued to quarantine the covid patients. I do not have the said copy of notification. The gramsevak is aware about the notification and guidelines. I was not given the copy of G.R. I do not know the actual guidelines issued by government to quarantine. The witness volunteers that the gramsevak and grampanchayat were directed to us how to follow the guidelines. It is not true to say that, only gramsevak was directed to follow the guidelines. The register is maintain by gramsevak, Asha workers and police patil. Today I have brought my personal register which I have maintained. I have not mentioned about the certificate in the register. It is correct to say that some pages in the register are from different register. The register was not maintained by individual person. The same was handed by gramsevak, sarpanch, Asha worker and myself. It is true to say that there appears no signatures on every pages who had entered in the village.

4. It is not true to say that, I have dispute with the complainant party. It is true to say that the mother-in-law of complainant died on 19.03.2020 and funeral on 20.03.2020. It is not true to say that, there were 50 to 60 in the funeral. It is true to say that as per the directions the visitors from other districts if enters were to be quarantine for 15 days. Subsequently after 6 months, the visitors from the talukas were also restricted. I do not remember the exact date when the directions came from government. I can furnish the copy of the G.R. within one week. It is not true to say that, the relatives of the complainant were visited the house after death. I cannot state about

the names mentioned in the register maintained by Gramsevak and Asha worker. It is true to say that I am deposing to the extent of my register. It is not true to say that, the relative of complainant had visit the house. It is not true to say that, due to political rivalry between two groups I deposing false to support accused persons. It is not true to say that, today I am deposing on the say of accused.

Cross-examination completed.

No re examination.

R.O.A.C.

Dt.19.08.2023

(Rajesh S. Gupta)
Special Judge, Osmanabad.