

Deposition of Witness No. 1 for Prosecution.

I do hereby state on solemn affirmation that ;

My name is : Govind Mahadev Dhadve

My age is about : 57 years,

Occupation : Agriculture

Residence : Muthavali Tarfe Tale, Tal. Mangaon, Dist. Raigad.

Examination-in-chief by : A.P.P. Mr. Y. A. Tendulkar

1) I have been residing with my son, daughter-in-law and grandson. I am a Police Patil of the village. I know Pandurang Hiram. I lodged a report against him to Mangaon Police Station.

2) Two persons came to my home on 22.12.2021 at 2.00 p.m. They were Subhash Mukane and Ramesh Mukane. They told me that accused Pandurang assaulted his wife and she is sleeping on a cot. I went with them to the hosue of accused at Adivasiwadi-Muthavali. I gave a call to Leela who is wife of accused. She was sleeping on the cot. Blood was coming out from her mouth and there were stains on her clothes. I inquired in the nearby, and came to know that Leela was dead. I made a phone call to Police Station and police came to the spot. Police and we shifted Leela to Government Hospital by means of Ambulance. I lodged report to the Police Station. I lodged report to the Police Station that accused assaulted his wife. Accused had been suspecting fidelity of his wife. On inquiry, I have come to know that accused had assaulted Leela by means of

Koyta (sharp weapon), by Axe and fist blows.

3) The report now shown to me bears my signature. The contents were written as per my narration. It is marked as **Exh.11**. Printed F.I.R. now shown to me, also bears my signature. It is marked as **Exh.12**.

4) I know the accused Pandurang. Today he is present before the Court.

Examination-in-chief complete.

Cross-examination by Adv. R. P. Oka for accused.

5) It is true to say that Leela had not made complaint to me against accused that he doubts her fidelity. It is true to say that around the spot of incident, there are some houses, huts. I do not know whether Leela was physically weak. It is true to say that I do not know exactly how Leela died and I did not see it myself. It is true to say that I lodged report against accused on the basis of suspicion.

6) It is not true to say that I lodged the report on the basis of wrong information. It is not true to say that I am deposing false that I went and saw that blood was coming out from mouth of Leela and there were stains on her clothes.

7) It is true to say that the accused is a daily-wager. It is not true to say that on the day of incident accused had been to his work as daily-wager. It is not true to say that the accused was not present

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at home at the time of incident. It is not true to say that I am deposing false against the accused.

Cross-examination complete.

No re-examination.

R.O. & A.C.

Mangaon.
Date: 17.11.2025

(S. T. Bhalerao)
Additional Sessions Judge,
Mangaon. Dist. Raigad.