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# M.C.O.C. SPECIAL CASE NO. OF 21/06 DATE:- 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 EXT.No.423

#### DEPOSITION OF WITNESS NO.4 FOR THE PROSECUTION

I do hereby on solemn affirmation state that:

My Name: Sachinkumar Singh

Age : 33 years

Occupation : Service.

Res. Address : 403/B, Eklavya Co-op. Hsg. Society,

NL Complex, Dahisar(E), Mumbai- 400

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# EXAMINATION-IN-CHIEF BY SPP RAJA THAKARE FOR THE STATE.

1. I am working as a motorman in the Western Railway. On 11/07/2006 I was on Churchgate on duty from 1735 hours. I was to take the train number 645 Dn Churchgate Virar local. It was to stop at all stations upto Bombay Central and then it was to stop at Dadar, Bandra, Andheri, Borivali and Virar. Normally motormen are alone in the motorman's cabin, i.e., driving cabin, but sometimes off duty motormen who are going to their homes or for some other work travel in the cabin. On that day motermen B. K. Singh, Satish Gautam, U. R. Dhumal and Sr. Section Engineer Suri and Deputy CST Bhat were with me. The guard by name B. N. Nayak was on the train. The scheduled departure of this train from Churchgate was at 5.57 p.m., but it started at 5.58 p.m. It reached Dadar at about 6.22 p.m. on platform no.3. Two minutes after leaving Dadar station and when I was in front of Matunga Road railway station I heard a sound of big a explosion.

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At the same time I heard shouts from passengers that there is a bomb explosion. Therefore I applied the emergency brakes and stopped the train. There are only two platforms on Matunga Road railway station. My train was on the third track which is known as down through line. The train halted in front of the platforms but the motorman cabin was just ahead of the platform. As emergency steps, I switched on the flasher light and tried to contact the control room, but I could not contact. I got down on the west side and went to the platform and told the station master about the details.

2. When I got down from the train I saw that the first class coach, fourth from my cabin no. 864A was torn and damaged. I saw bodies of persons and many injured persons. I saw the luggage of the passengers scattered in the coach and outside. There was a crowd of injured persons at the office of the station master and I helped in carrying the injured on stretchers. The police came and I lodged my complaint. The complaint now shown to me is the same, it bears my signature and its contents now read over to me are correct. (It is marked as **Ext.424**). My complaint was taken at 9.00 p.m. Police prepared panchanama of the spot that I showed.

# Cross-examination by Adv. Mokashi for A/1, 4, 5 and 6

3. It will be correct to say that alongwith the motorman there is a guard on the rear side of the train. It is true that if any passenger is injured it is the responsibility of the guard to attend him. It be correct to say that if there is chain pulling a buzzer goes off in my cabin as well as the guards cabin. If the train is stopped because of chain pulling the guard gets down and attends the cause.

### Cross-examination by Adv. Salunke h/f Wahab Khan for A/2, 7, 10

4. Declined.

## Cross-examination by Adv. P. L. Shetty for A/3, 9, 11 and 12

5. The train stopped just in front of the platforms of the the Matunga Road railway station. It had not crossed the railway station.

### Cross-examination by A/8 in person.

6. Declined.

No re-examination.

R.O.

Special Judge.

(Y.D. SHINDE) SPECIAL JUDGE UNDER MCOC ACT,99, Gr. MUMBAI.

Date: 24.06.10