PW5/1 MCOC 21/06

# M.C.O.C. SPECIAL CASE NO. OF 21/06 DATE:- 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 EXT.No.425

#### DEPOSITION OF WITNESS NO.5 FOR THE PROSECUTION

I do hereby on solemn affirmation state that:

My Name: Girishchand Chaurasia

Age : 41 years

Occupation : Service.

Res. Address : 26/7, Railway quarter, Dahisar(E),

Mumbai-400 068.

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

- 1. I am working as motorman in the Western Railway. On 11/07/2006 I was on Churchgate on duty from 1730 hours. I was to take the train number 641 Dn Churchgate Borivali fast train. Its scheduled time was 5.54 p.m. Ravindra Dalvi was the guard. As it was peak hours, there was a considerable crowd on the platform. The train started at 5.56 p.m., two minutes late. It was slow upto Bombay Central and thereafter it was fast and was to halt at Dadar, Bandra and Andheri and then Borivali. It was a nine coach train. First class coaches were at serial no.4 and 6.
- 2. The train reached Dadar station at 6.20 p.m., halted there for about 20-25 seconds. When it was proceeding towards Bandra the motor generator of the train failed. At that time it was just entering Mahim station on platform no.3. The guard informed me that the motor generator had failed. I informed him that I would halt the train at Bandra and set the motor generator. At that time I heard a loud explosion and I stopped the train. I

applied the emergency brakes. I lowered the pentograph and started the flasher. Then I went towards the coach where the blast had taken place. It was the fourth coach, which was of first class. I saw many bodies of persons outside and the coach was blown apart on the west side. There was smoke inside the coach. All the fixtures in the coach had become bent. I went to the guard and informed him. A traffic inspector who was with the guard went to the station and informed the control room.

3. Rescue work started and in the meanwhile police came there. The roof tin sheets of the platform were broken. The people in the crowd were running here and there. The driving cabin of the train was standing at kilometer pole no.13/4. Thereafter I went to my cabin and after sometime my complaint was taken. I lodged complaint against unknown persons. 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.426**). My complaint was taken at 9.30 p.m. Police prepared panchanama of the spot that I showed.

## Cross-examination by Adv. Mokashi for A/1, 4, 5 and 6 and 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. I do not know for how much time the train was at Churchgate station before it started.

### 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, Date:- 24.06.10 Gr. MUMBAI.