M.C.O.C. SPECIAL CASE NO. OF 21/06

DATE: 20th July, 2010 EXT.No.514

DEPOSITION OF WITNESS NO.27 FOR THE PROSECUTION

PW-27/1

I do hereby on solemn affirmation state that:

My Name : Ashok Raghuvir Rao

Age : 58 years Occupation : Service

Res. Address : Flat no.3, Park House, Plot No. 20,, J.P.Nagar,

Goregaon(E), Mumbai-6.

EXAMINATION-IN-CHIEF BY SPP CHIMALKAR FOR THE STATE.

1. I work for an Italian Bank as an advisor. My office in 2006 was at Maker Chambers-6, office no.61, Nariman Point, Mumbai. I used to commute to my work by Western Railway. The incident took place on 11/07/2006 around 6.25 or 6.30 pm. I boarded the train going to Borivali at Churchgate at 5.50 pm. I was sitting in the middle first class compartment. After the train had just left Bandra Railway Station, there was a blast in my compartment at the other end of the coach. I thought that it was an electric failure. I was not in my normal senses as I had become numb because of the blast. When I saw people jumping out of the train, I also came to the side of the train and jumped out. I was severely injured on my face and on my entire body and I was bleeding. I was about to faint. I was helped by a young man who took me to the Bhabha hospital. There were many injured people at the hospital. There were splinters in my body. The doctors gave me treatment and removed the splinters. The young man informed my family. My son came there at around 10.00 pm. I was thereafter taken to Holy Family Hospital. After treating my wounds an MRI was done and it was found that there was a splinter near my lung and operation was necessary to remove the splinter.

Next morning I was operated upon and the splinter was removed and it was shown to me. Police recorded my statement.

Cross-examination by adv Mokashi for A/1, 4, 5 & 6

2. I do not recollect the exact date when my statement was recorded by the police. It will not be correct to say that my statement was recorded after a considerable time after the blast. It is not true that I was in the habit of dozing off during the journey. I did not state to the police that because of being tired from the whole days work, I had gone to sleep. (Witness is confronted with the relevant portion from his statement, hence, it is marked as 'A'). In my statement before the police I had given the name of the young man who had helped me. I do not know whether Bhabha hospital sent me to the Holy Family hospital or whether I opted for going there. It will not be correct to say that till I was taken to the Holy Family hospital, I was not a serious case. I may not have stated before the police about the MRI, detection of splinter and operation. It is not true that I am exaggerating my statement. I was given compensation.

Cross-examination by Advs Wahab Khan for A/2,7,10 &13, P.L Shetty for A/3, 9, 11,12 and Mokashi h/f S.D.Erande for A/8

3. Declined.

No re-examination.

R.O.

Spl. Judge Date:- 20/07/10

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