

M.C.O.C. SPECIAL CASE NO. OF 21/06**DATE: 7TH APRIL, 2011****EXT.NO.872****DEPOSITION OF WITNESS NO.84 FOR THE PROSECUTION**

I do hereby on solemn affirmation state that:

My Name : Dr. Walter Francis Vaz

Age : 56 years

Occupation : Professor and HOD, Department of Forensic
Medicine, Seth G.S. Medical College and KEM
Hospital, Parel.

Res. Address : Flat no.30,4th Floor, Bldg.,No.1 Government Colony,
Haji Ali, Mumbai-34.

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

1. I was attached to the GS Medical College and KEM Hospital in 2006 also as Professor and HOD Department of Forensic Medicine. Dr. Balsara and Dr. Kadam were working with me as lecturers. I had occasion to perform *post mortems* on the bodies of the victims of the serial bomb blasts in the western railways on 11/07/06.
2. I had performed *post mortem* along with Dr. Balsara on the bodies of victim Nitin Sukhlal Patil and Sojoram Mudulal Meena on

12/07/06. We had received many dead bodies in the night of 11/07/06 in connection with the bomb blasts in the western railways to determine the cause of death. On consultation with the police surgeon, it was decided that *post mortem* examination of all the bodies is not feasible and we will do only sample *post mortem* examination of two bodies. Accordingly, I and Dr. Balsara conducted the above two *post mortem* examinations. With respect to the other dead bodies it was decided to examine them externally and not to do the complete *post mortems* and to issue certificates accordingly. Accordingly I, Dr. Balsara and Dr. Kadam had examined all the remaining dead bodies and I issued death certificates in respect of five. The certificates of Girish Talpade, Manuel D'Souza, Amrutlal Patel, Anees Patel and Chetan Sharma now shown to me are the same, they bear my signature and the signature of Dr. Balsara on the first and my signatures on the remaining four and their contents are correct. (They are marked as **Exts.873 to 877**). Dr. Kadam had issued certificates in respect of four bodies. The certificates of Jagannathan Gundappa, Somnath Das, Mohd. Tarik Ansari and Yashwant Prabhakar Bedekar. I know and identify his signatures as

he was working with me. The contents of the certificates are correct. (They are marked as **Exts.878 to 881**). We had ascertained the cause of death after a thorough external examination and on finding more or less similar type of injuries. I had issued a letter on 31/07/06 to Inspector Iqbal Shaikh, IO, ATS, Mumbai about all that we had done. The letter now shown to me is the same, it bears my signature and its contents are correct. (It is marked as **Ext.882**).

Cross-examination by Adv Rasal for A/1 and 4 to 6

3. (Learned advocates Rasal and Shetty request that the documents of this witness given to them are not readable and they request for legible copies from the prosecution and request time to go through the documents to cross-examine the witness. They submit that they have no objection if another witness is interposed. They pray for deferring the cross-examination till Monday, i.e., 11/04/11. Ld SPP has no objection. Hence, the cross-examination is deferred).

Date: 07/04/11

**(Y.D. SHINDE)
SPECIAL JUDGE**

Date : 11/04/11

**Cross-examination by Advs Rasal for A1 and 4 to 6, Wahab Khan
for A/2, 7, 10 & 13 and P. L. Shetty for A3, 8, 9, 11 and 12**

4. Declined.

No re-examination

R.O.

Special Judge

Date:-11/04/2011

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

“ Taken before me and signed by me in the presence of the accused, to whom the deposition was explained and opportunity given to cross-examine”.

Date:-11/04/2011

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