

Deposition of Sm. Yashomati Parekh, witness  
no 3 for the prosecution, before the Additional  
Sessions Judge, 2nd Court, Alipore. 24- Pgs (5).  
dated 11.2.91

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HIGH COURT FORM NO. (T) 1.

FORM OF HEADING OF DEPOSITION

In the 2nd court of A.D.J. at Alipore  
S.T. Case No. 1(11) of 1990.

Present :-

Deposition of witness No. 3 for the prosecution taken  
on oath/solemn affirmation on the 11th day of Feb.1991.

My name is Sm. Yashomati Parekh  
son/wife of Sri Nagardas Parekh  
My age is 53 years. I reside at 57A 83 Radopukhur Rd.  
Cal-20.  
Police Station Bhowanipur District Calcutta 20  
My occupation is House wife.

I reside in Flat No. 3A, Ananda Apartment, at  
57A and 57B, Padmapukur Road. I had been residing there  
since 1987 with my husband Nagardas Parekh, son Bhabesh  
Parekh and daughter Hetal Parekh. Hetal was a student  
of Welland and Goldsmith School, Bowbazar.

On 5.3.90 she was to appear at I.C.S.C.  
examination. On that day she came back from her school  
at about 1 P.M. I used to visit Lakshmi Narayan Manir  
at Sarat Bose Road everyday around 5/5.15 P.M. On 5.3.90  
I left for the aforesaid temple at about 5/5.15 P.M.  
Hetal was alone in the house when I left for the  
temple. I got the door out of my flat locked by pulling  
it after leaving the house and came down by using  
the lift in the building. My husband left our residence  
at 9 A.M. in connection with his works. My son left for

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for the shop of his father at about 12.15/~~12.22~~ 12.30 P.M. after taking his meals. Ramdhani was the liftman of the lift that I used for coming down from my flat on the particular day at the particular time. Ramdhani lives in a room in the same compound where our building is located. I returned to our building around 6/6.05 P.M. from the temple. When I was about to board the lift for going upstairs, liftman Ramdhani told me that the security guard of the building Dhananjay Chatterjee had gone to our ~~flat~~ <sup>flat</sup> for using our telephone. I became very annoyed on hearing this fact as to why he had gone to our flat. I came to my flat and started ringing the door bell. Nobody opened the door. I started shouting and banging on the door taking the name of my daughter Hetal and asking her to open the door. Residents of the building assembled. I told them that Hetal was not opening the door. They also started shouting and ~~knocking~~ knocking at the door. Ramesh and Panchu, the two servants and Ramdhani broke the door at the entrance of the flat open. I found the party of Hetal in our drawing room. The door of the bed room of my husband was found open. I also use the same bed room with my husband. I found Hetal lying on the floor on her back in our bed room. Her private parts were visible. I found blood by the side of her body. The clothings on her body were found disturbed. Stains of blood were on her face, and hands. There were also stains of blood on different parts of the floor. I started shouting on seeing this site. I searched for Dhananjoy Chatterjee in all the rooms

rooms of my flat. ( Witness identifies the accused in the dock as Dhananjoy Chatterjee). I found the almirah in my bed room open and articles inside the almirah strewn on the floor. I lifted Hetal and asked the people there to take her to hospital. I brought her to the lift. Ramdhani brought the lift downstairs. Somebody of our building brought a doctor in the meantime. Two doctors came. They examined Hetal and pronounced her dead. I started crying. Hetal was aged 18 years when the aforesaid incident took place. Around 7/7.15 P.M. my son Bhabesh came to the house. I narrated the incident to him. We all came upstairs. Hetal was placed on the cot in the bedroom and a sheet was placed on her body. At about 8.15/8.30 P.M. my husband came back to the residence. I narrated the incident to him. He rang up police. At 9.15/9.30 police came to our residence. I stated the incident to police. Police wrote it and read over the same to me. I signed the statement on my satisfaction that the complaint had been properly recorded. ( witness identifies her three signatures on the petition of complaint ). The complaint be marked X for identification. Signatures of the witness thereon be marked Ext.2/1 ( collectively ).

On 6th March, 1990, I found my wrist-watch with gold chain which had been purchased only 10 days back missing. I stated to my son that Dhananjoy had taken away my wrist-watch. I stated this fact in a petition and sent it to Bhawanipore P.S. My son wrote the contents of the particular letter and read over the same to me.

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I put my signatures thereon. ( Witness identifies her two signatures on the particular letter. The particular letter be marked X for identification. Signatures of the witness thereon be marked ext.3/1 ( collectively ). This guarantee card of the wrist watch was also sent by me along with the particular letter. The same be marked Z for identification.

Accused used to reside in the generator room in our compound. For 10/15 days prior to the incident Hetal complained to me that Dhananjay used to tease her while she was on her way or back from school ( objected to ). Hetal had also stated to me that on 2nd March, 1990, accused wanted to know from her if she would go to see picture and if she would come out with him. I decided to inform my husband of this matter and accordingly I informed my husband of the particular matter of teasing of my daughter Hetal by the accused. On 15th May, 1990, I went to Lalbazar being summoned by police and identified the wrist watch which had been taken away from my almira. This is the particular wrist watch belonging to me and as identified by me before police in Lalbazar. The same is marked Ext. IV.

( At this stage a sealed packet brought by police is opened with the permission of the court ).

Four sealed packets come out after the previous sealed packet is ~~opened~~ opened. One of the four sealed packets is opened and five sealed packets are found there. Out of these five packets, three packets are opened. These are the wearing apparels belonging to Hetal. ( Witness identifies one sardis, one blouse, one bra,

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one panty and one underwear). These five articles be marked material Ext.V ( collectively). This is the sheet that I placed on the body of Hetal. It is marked material Ext. VI. This is the "Jhula " which was used to be in our bed room. The same be marked material Ext. VII. This is the photograph of Hetal ( witness identifies the photograph) marked material ext.I (collectively). The same be marked material Ext.I/1. On seeing Hetal in the condition as I have stated earlier it occurred to me that she had been raped and murdered.

**Cross-examination on behalf of the accused.**

There are two other flats on the same floor in front of our flat. They are numbers as 3B and 3C. There is one collapsible gate at the entrance of our flat. The door is just behind the collapsible gate at the entrance. One entrance of the drawing room on coming to our flat. The length of our flat is from east to west. Our bed room of myself and my husband is on the north eastern corner of the flat. The room of Bhavesh is on the north western corner of the flat. There is a bathroom by the side of bed room of Bhavesh. After a little distance from the particular bathroom, the room of Hetal was located. The kitchen adjacent to the room of Hetal. The telephone was is to be kept in our drawing room. The visit of any outsider to our flat is intimated to us through the intercom system. Accused is not a member of our family.

Hetal used to go to school by public transport.

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She used to board transport from the junction of Lansdown Road and Padmapukur Road. She used to go alone to school. Nobody used to accompany her on her way to school. There are 15 flats in our building. Servants work in those flats. There is a key of the lock at the main entrance of our flat fixed on the door. I did not use to close the collapsible gate going to temple. The collapsible gate was used to be opened in the morning and close at night. There are latches ( chitkinni) for closing the door from inside. There was no occupant in flat no.3C at the relevant point of time. There were occupants in flat no.3B. Arunaben Shah was the occupant of that flat. Ganga was her servant at the relevant of time. I did not become unconscious on seeing the condition of my daughter. I did not become unconscious in the particular night after I saw my daughter in the condition as stated in my examination in chief.

Police left our flat at 2.00/ 2.30 O'Clock at night on the date of the incident. Police took away the dead body of Hetal when they left our flat. Till such time the body of Hetal was in our flat. Till police came to our flat I sat on the cot where Hetal was kept lying and kept on weeping. I did not go to the place where Hetal was kept lying after police came and till her body was taken out by police. During this period I was in the room of my son.

I went to the room of my son when police took me there for taking my statement. I gave my statement to police while I was in the room of my son. Police

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Police left our flat about two hours after my statement was taken. I had stated to my husband on his return how that accused had entered our flat on the pretext of using our telephone when I left for the temple. My husband rang up police after I gave out the aforesaid information to him.

The Almirah in our bed room which was found open <sup>didn't</sup> contain my wearing apparels, including sarees, the wrist watch that I have identified and some bangla made of glass. It was a Godrej steel almirah. It had a locking system but I did not keep it locked. I never lock the almirah as I had to use it often. I did not try to ascertain by verifying the contents in the almirah if all the articles of mine were there or not. I have no paper to show that the wrist watch marked material ext.IV had been purchased in my name. I had seen the wrist watch at Lalbazar in the same manner as if it is now in court. It is not a fact that the wrist watch marked material ext.IV does not belong to me. I cannot say the number of my wrist watch. I do not remember if I had mentioned the number of the wrist watch while giving statement to police. It is not a fact that Ramdhani did not report to me that accused had come to my flat after I left for temple on the pretext of using our telephone. During the puja prior to the date of incident one Radhashyam worked in our flat for about 15 days. Thereafter Ramesh working our flat as a servant. He is working till now.



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Recalled and cross-examined further

I do not remember if I had stated to police while giving statement that I came to know from Hetal that accused wanted her to go out with him and to see picture with him.

Not a fact that Hetal did not report to me that accused teased her and asked her to accompany him to cinema and to go out with him.

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