

Annexure 1 to Tabular Presentation by Teesta Setalvad to SIT  
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GULBERG SOCIETY MASSACRE

Details of Inquest Panchnama

**Panch:** (1) Namrata ben Zakhariya Steevan Christain  
(2) Jagdish Vanaji Mali

No.	Details	Starting Time Of Panchama	Stopped time Of Panchnam	Date
(1)	Female dead body Opp. Bungalow no.1 Gate	22.00	22.20 (20 minute)	28/2/02
(2)	Female dead body Opp. Bungalow no.1 Gate	22.25	22.45 (20 minute)	28/2/02
(3)	Female dead body In front of Bungalow no.1 Gate	22.50	23.10 (20 minute)	28/2/02
(4)	Female dead body In front of Bungalow no.1 Gate	23.15	23.35 (20 minute)	28/2/02
(5)	Female dead body South side of Bungalow no.1 Gate	23.40	24.00 (20 minute)	28/2/02
(6)	Female dead body South side of Bungalow no.1 Gate	00.00	00.20 (20 minute)	01/3/02
(7)	Female dead body South side of Bungalow no.1 Gate	00.25	00.45 (20 minute)	01/3/02
(8)	Female dead body South side of Bungalow No.1 Gate	00.50	01.10 (20 minute)	01/3/02
(9)	Female dead body South side of Bungalow no.1 Gate	01.15	01.35 (20 minute)	01/3/02
(10)	Female dead body Opp. Bungalow no.1	01.40	02.00 (20 minute)	01/3/02

Gate

(11)	Female dead body Opp. Bungalow no.1 Open Space	02.05	02.25 (20 minute)	01/3/02
(12)	Female dead body Opp. Bungalow no.1 Open Space (Nude)	02.30	02.50 (20 minute)	01/3/02

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Panch: (1) Jagdish Vanjibhai Mali  
(2) Bharat Jeevabhai Prajapti

(1)	Male dead body Opp. Bungalow no.1 Open Space	02.55	03.15 (20 minute)	01/3/02
(2)	Male dead body Opp. Bungalow no.1 Open Space	03.20	03.40 (20 minute)	01/3/02
(3)	Male dead body Opp. Bungalow no.1 Open Space	03.45	04.05 (20 minute)	01/3/02
(4)	Male dead body Opp. Bungalow no.1 Open Space	04.10	04.30 (20 minute)	01/3/02
(5)	Male dead body Opp. Bungalow no.1 Open Space	04.35	04.55	01/3/02
(6)	Male dead body Opp. Bungalow no.1 Open Space	05.00	05.20	01/3/02

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Panch : (1) Govindbhai Kishanji Solanki  
(2) Popatji Shantuji Thakor

(1)	Unknown dead body Bh. Bungalow no.19's North side Compound	14.00	14.20	01/3/02
(2)	Unknown dead body Bh. Bungalow no.19's North side Compound	14.25	14.45	01/3/02
(3)	Unknown dead body	14.50	15.10	01/3/02

	Bh. Bungalow no.19's North side Compound			
(4)	Unknown dead body Bh. Bungalow no.19's North side Compound	15.15	15.35	01/3/02
(5)	Female dead body Bh. Bungalow no.19's North side Compound	15.40	16.00	01/3/02
(6)	Child dead body Bh. Bungalow no.19's North side	16.05	16.25	01/3/02
(7)	Female dead body Bh. Bungalow no.19's North side Compound	16.30	16.50	01/3/02
(8)	Unknown dead body Bh. Bungalow no.19's North Compound	16.55	17.15	01/3/02
(9)	Unknown dead body Bh. Bungalow no.19's North side	17.20	17.40	01/3/02
(10)	Unknown dead body Bh. Bungalow no.19's North side	17.45	18.05	01/3/02
(11)	<u>Unknown Deadbody</u> Recovered from debris of Households burnt on the Road.	18.10	18.30	01/3/02
(12)	<u>Unknown Deadbody</u> Recovered from debris of Households burnt on the Road.	18.35	18.55	01/3/02
(13)	<u>Unknown Deadbody</u> Recovered from debris of Households burnt on the Road.	19.00	19.20	01/3/02
(14)	<u>Male Deadbody</u> Recovered from Bh. of West side Bungalows Bathroom-Toilet	19.25	19.45	01/3/02

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Panch: (1) Deegpal Harihar Prasad Dube  
(2) Rameshbhai Ramanbhai Patel

(1)	<u>Unknown Deadbody</u> Insect's dead body Which spreading smell Recovered from the Kitchen debris of Bunglow. 19	19.05	19.25	06/3/02
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Panch: (1) Santosh Kumar Radheshyam Saine  
(2) Dinesh Mohanlal Vohra

(1)	<u>Unknown Deadbody</u> Remains of dead body Spreading smell from Debris of bungalow No.19.	18.15	18.30	07/3/02
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(2)	<u>Unknown Deadbody</u> Remains of dead body Spreading smell from Debris of bungalow No.19.	18.35	18.50	07/3/02
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(3)	<u>Childs Deadbody</u> Remains of dead body Spreading smell from Debris of bungalow No.19.	18.55	19.10	07/3/02
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(4)	<u>Childs Deadbody</u> Remains of dead body Spreading smell from Debris of bungalow No.19.	19.15	19.30	07/3/02
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Panch: (1) Mahesh Bhajibhai Thakore  
(2) Dinesh Jayantilal Aande

(1)	Unknown dead body Remains of dead body Spreading smell from Debris of bungalow No.19.	14.45	15.05	08/3/02
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**Note:-**

- 1) There are 12 inquest panchnamas of a total of 12 dead bodies starting from 22.00 hours on 28/2/02 to 2.50 hours dated 1/3/02.
- 2) There are thereafter 6 inquest panchnamas of 6 dead bodies starting from 2.55 hours to 5.20 hours dated 01/03/02

- 3) There are, then, 14 inquest panchnamas of a total of 14 dead bodies from hours 14.00 to 19.45 hours dated 1/3/02.
- 4) There is 1 inquest panchnama of 1 dead body from 19.05 hours to 19.25 hours dated 06/03/02.
- 5) There are 4 inquest panchnamas of a total of 4 dead bodies from 18.15 hours to 19.30 hours dated 07/03/02.
- 6) There is 1 inquest panchnama of 1 dead body from 14.45 hours to 15.05 hours dated 08/03/02.
- 7) Thus there are 38 inquest panchnamas of a total of 38 dead bodies.
- 8) Many persons were died in the incident took place in Gulberg society and many persons were also killed in the house of Shri Jaffery. Such were the allegations made since the start and information to support was also given to the police.
- 9) The police obtained a total of 32 dead bodies as per details of panchnama until the day after the incident and the dead bodies of many other persons were not found. Knowing that many bodies were missing, for reasons best known to them, no systematic and thorough examination was made inside the house of Shri Jaffri.
- 10) Thereafter as some smells were emanating from the house of Shri Jaffri on 6/3/02, after removing the debris from the kitchen area, the remains of 1 dead body were seized, but at that time also *no serious* attempt was made to search other dead bodies in Shri Jaffri's premises.
- 11) Thereafter on the next day i.e. on dated 7/3/02, in the evening hours, the remains of a total of 4 more dead bodies were seized from within the debris in the house of Shri Jaffery that were all emanating a foul odour. At this time also it clearly appears from the police's own records that the police had not made any systematic or thorough investigation. In fact the attempt seems to have been to underplay the barbaric massacre that took place specifically inside the home of Shri Jaffri.
- 12) Thereafter also, on 8/3/02, the police seized the remains of 1 dead body, also emanating a foul odour, from below the debris within the house of Shri Jaffri.
- 13) Shockingly, as is revealed from a perusal of the panchnamas themselves, the Police have kept a time duration of five minutes between *all* the panchnamas carried out by the police and it has also been recorded that all panchnamas were completed within 20 minutes. Thus it clearly seems that police has prepared all panchnamas afterwards (post facto) or in fact have fabricated panchnamas on their own.
- 14) Thus, if police had, in fact conducted a systematic and proper investigation within the house of Shri Jaffery immediately after, that is on the next day of the incident, based on the statements of witnesses, there was a reasonable possibility of finding all dead bodies in a reasonably good condition. But the police have intentionally not made any such attempt to search for the dead bodies of the people killed. Therefore it seems that they have not only committed the crime of ensuring through negligence an incomplete investigation, but worse, they have permitted the destruction of, or caused

the destruction of evidence with an intention to help the accused intentionally, and have committed such act by which benefit may cause to the accused.

- 15) On 8/3/02, records show that the police have seized a box of ornaments from the debris in the house of Shri Jaffri and it has been stated that its detailed panchnama was carried out from 14.00 hours to 15.00 hours .

However, in the inquest panchnama of the dead body found from house of Shri Jaffri on the same date, 8/3/02, records show that it was carried out during period from hours 14.45 hours to 15.05 hours. Thus, there are two panchnamas (inquest and recovery) pertaining to the same period of time, clearly indicating or pointing to not just scant investigation but deliberate attempts at suppression of evidence.

- 16) Police have carried out the panchnama of the scene of the incident in Gulberg society on 1.3.02 from hours 6.30 hours to 13.50 hours, wherein it has been stated that "As the fire still continued at present in house No.19, water was poured and it was extinguished" and on making a thorough investigation the dead bodies were found lying in burnt position within the fire in part of kitchen from which a total 10 dead bodies were found.

Thus, it is clear that if the Fire Brigade had performed its duty and if the Police had allowed it to do so, and the fire would have been extinguished in the house of Shri Jaffri on the day of incident itself then the dead bodies of other people killed could have been found in a better condition.

Police has stated that, the investigation in the house was made thoroughly at that time. But after some days of incident also the dead bodies lying emanating a foul smelling odour, with insects on the remains continued to be found. Therefore also it seems that police has not taken any care to search for the people killed and in fact participated and colluded in compounding the crime by destruction of evidence and dehumanizing of the bodies.

- 17) The police have videographed the scene of incident on 11.03.02, that is eleven days after the crime. Why the delay? If the videography of the scene of the incident would have been made immediately after the commission of the crimes, (BEST Bakery incident was recorded in Vadodara on 2.3.2002 itself) there was every likelihood of greater forensic evidence could be found.

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