



GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY  
POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**SENSATIONAL MURDER CRACKED -  
MYSTERY BEHIND THE DISAPPEARANCE OF A WOMAN SOLVED**

The mysterious disappearance of a woman has turned out to be a case of 'Murder most foul'.

On 27.12.2017, a case of 'Woman Missing' was registered at D'Nagar Police Station on the complaint of Smt. Seventhiammal, r/o Thendral Nagar, Saram, Puducherry that her mother Mary (aged 60 years) w/o Raji (late), in the habit of consuming alcohol, was missing since 25.12.2017 - evening. The complainant searched for her mother for two days and then belatedly filed complaint at D'Nagar Police Station only on 27.12.17.

The D'Nagar Police alerted all the Police Stations in Puducherry and those of neighbouring districts of Tamilnadu for tracing the missing woman.

However, in order to have focused investigation, a Special Team under SP(North) Dr. Rachna Singh was formed, comprising of Inspector/STF Karthikeyan, Circle Inspector Kannan, SI/STF Ramesh, SI Kalaiarasan, SI Vadivazhagan and Men of STF & D'Nagar Circle.

The Police team deployed sources in the area and extensively examined the witnesses and locals. Interestingly, there was a break-through in the case and the Police Team unraveled the mystery. On 03.01.18, the dead body of Mary was found in an advanced stage of decomposition within the precincts of a Coconut Grove, Counder Thoppe, Othavadai St, New Saram, Puducherry. The condition and situation in which the dead body was found, it created suspicion of homicide as some stab injuries were found on the lower abdomen of the body. The autopsy confirmed it to be a case of murder by strangulation and stabbing.

Extensive examination of witnesses and neighbours pointed towards two persons. A trap was laid and on 07.01.18, the accused **Prakash (30) S/o Murugan, No. D1/27, Slum Board Quarters, IV Main Road, Pavanar Nagar, Boomianpet, Puducherry** was arrested and subjected to sustained interrogation, which led to his confession.

The confession revealed that on the day of incident, i.e., 25.12.17 - evening, the accused Prakash went to a Coconut Grove at Counder Thoppe, Othavadai St., New Saram, Puducherry for consuming liquor. The deceased Mary was also in the Grove to collect coconuts. Prakash expressed his sexual desire to the deceased Mary, but she refused and started abusing him. Having enraged on this, Prakash slapped her, hit her head on the floor and when she fainted, he committed rape on her. Finally, he killed her by strangulation as well as stabbing her with a knife on her lower abdomen. He covered the dead body with coconut leaves and escaped. The mobile phone, blood-stained clothes, knife and the bike used by the accused were seized from the accused person. The case was altered from 'Woman Missing' to 'Rape' & 'Murder'.



The accused Prakash is a notorious criminal and is involved in cases of explosive substances, preparation for dacoity and hurt.

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