

ADMISSIBILITY OF EVIDENCE OF THE EXPERTS UNDER SECTION 293 OF Cr. PC:

293. Reports of certain Government scientific experts.

(1) Any document purporting to be a report under the hand of a Government scientific expert to whom this section applies, upon any matter or thing duly submitted to him for examination or analysis and report in the course of any proceeding under this Code, may be used as evidence in inquiry, trial or other proceeding under thi Code.

(2) The Court may, if it thinks fit, summon and exa mine any such expert as to subject-matter of his report.

(3) Where any such expert is summoned by a Court and he is unable to attend per he may, unless the Court has expressly direèted him to appear personally, depute any responsible officer working with him to attend the Court, if such officer is conversant with the facts of the case and can satisfactorily depose in Court in his behalf.

(4) This section applies to the following Government scientific experts, namely:

- (a) any Chemical Examiner or Assistant Chemical Examiners to Government;
- (b) the Chief Inspector of Explosives;
- (c) the Director of the Finger Print Bureau;
- (d) the Director Haffkeine Institute, Bombay;
- (e) the Director, ¹⁹⁻¹[Director or Assistant Director] of a Central Forensic Science Laboratory or a State Forensic Science Laboratory;
- (f) the Serologist to the Government.

19-1 Ins by Act 45 of 1978, Section 21 (w.e.f. 18-12-1978).