

Recovered Blackberry had received call from 'Datuk Pathma 2', High Court told

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SHAH ALAM: A mobile phone, believed to have been owned by one of four murder victims, including cosmetics millionairess Datuk Sosilawati Lawiya, had received a call from one 'Datuk Pathma 2', several hours before they were allegedly killed, the High Court here was told yesterday.

Federal police computer crime analyst ASP Mohd Zulkifly Mohd Isa said the white Blackberry 9700's transaction record showed it had received a call from 016-2047518 and saved as 'Datuk Pathma 2' at 6pm on Aug 30, last year. He said the transaction record was obtained from an analysis of the mobile phone which was one of 13 case articles handed over to him by investigating officer ASP Ishak Yaacob and a police officer identified only as Insp Suzana on Sept 17 and 20, last year.

"The white Blackberry 9700 mobile phone transaction also received a missed call from 016-2045518 which was also saved as 'Datuk Pathma 2' at 4.22pm on Aug 30, last year," he said when cross-examined by Deputy Public Prosecutor Nur Azimul Azami.

The 76th prosecution witness was testifying at the trial of former lawyer N. Pathmanabhan and three farm workers T Thilaiyalagan, R Matan and R Khatavarayan, who are charged with the murders of Sosilawati, 47, bank officer Noorhisham Mohamad, 38, lawyer Ahmad Kamil Abdul Karim, 32 and Sosilawati's driver, Kamaruddin Shamsuddin, 44.

Pathmanabhan, 42; Thilaiyalagan, 20; Matan, 21; and Kathavarayan, 31, who allegedly committed the offences at Lot 2001, Jalan Tanjong Layang, Tanjung Sepat in Banting between 8.30pm and 9.45pm on Aug 30, last year, face the mandatory death sentence upon conviction under Section 302 of the Penal Code.

Mohd Zulkifly, 31, said the mobile phone transaction record also showed it had received a call from 012-7778017 which was saved under 'Rita' at 6.53pm on Aug 30, last year and received an SMS from 016-2683055 saved under 'Haji Kamal Datuk Sosilawati' at 4.10pm on the same day.

On the transaction record of another mobile phone, a black Blackberry, believed to have been owned by another victim, the police officer said the mobile phone recorded an outgoing call at 9.53pm on Aug 30, last year to 012-2498753, saved under the name, 'CIMB Lyly Zanariyah', and to 019-2644971, saved as 'Jefry Hamdan' at 9.35pm, on the same day.

Mohd Zulkifly said the transaction record of the mobile phone also showed it received an SMS from 019-3359539 saved as 'Anasha' and was read at 8.12pm on Aug 30, the same year. In an earlier testimony, the white Blackberry mobile phone was identified as being owned by Ahmad Kamil and the black Blackberry identified as belonging to Noorhisham, by their respective wives. The two handsets were found by divers of a marine operation team when searching in the monsoon drain near Banting market on Sept 12, that year.

On the method used to extract the transaction record of the two mobile phones, Mohd Zulkifly said he initially dried the mobile phones with a hair-dryer. "The circuit board of the mobile phones would have been short-circuited if I had activated the phones when they were still wet. I took 11 days to dry the sets. "Later, I connected the telephones to an XRY system in a computer to enable the reading of the contents of the mobile phones," he said.

Clarifying on XRY, Mohd Zulkifly said it was a software used to connect mobile phones through 'bluetooth' or cable to enable reading mobile phone contents. He said XRY also played the role of a filter to ensure no new data entered the mobile phones when the analyses were in progress.

Mohd Zulkifly said a 281-page analysis report, which included attachments, were handed over to the investigating officer on Oct 6, last year. The trial before Judge Datuk Akhtar Tahir will continue on Jan 9, next year.

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