

MILITARY COURTS FOR THE TRIAL OF WAR CRIMINALS

D.J.A.G's Case No. 65081 JAG

Name of Accused (including Rank, if any)	Arm or Former Arm of the Service	Age	Date and Place of Trial
Sgt. Kiyoji IIDA	Imperial Japanese Army.		6, 8 and 9 July 1946. SINGAPORE Convened by Commander, Singapore District.

CHARGES

CHARGE. COMMITTING A WAR CRIME in that he at Port Blair between the 10th October 1943 and the 30th January 1944 being in the service of the Occupying Power was in violation of the laws and usages of war, concerned in the ill-treatment of civilian residents of Port Blair aforesaid resulting in the death of Sangera Singh (Schoolmaster) and Dewan Singh and in physical suffering to other civilian residents and in particular to Reharker, Ratan Chand, Radha Kishen, Baghen Singh, Mir Alam, Sher Singh, Bente Singh, Govind Rao, Giyan Singh, Ahmed, Nur Ahmed, Keiser Kaur, Gurmooti, Raj Ratan Dass and Murari Lal.

President and Members of the Court (except Legal Member)	Judge Advocate/Legal Member
Lt-Col. P.A. FORSYTHE, M.M. Maj. J.W. HOUSEMAN, M.B.E. Maj. T.A. KHAN.	King's Royal Rifle Corps. Queen's Bay's (2nd Dragoon Guards). 1st Punjabs L.L.B. Advocate in India.
	N/A

Pleaded	Finding
Not Guilty	Guilty with the exception of the words "resulting in the death of Sangera Singh (Schoolmaster) and Dewan Singh".

Sentence and Minute of Confirmation

To be imprisoned for 10 years.

Confirmed, GOC, Singapore District,
13 November 1946.

When and where Promulgated :—

20 November 1946.

Date of Receipt	To whom sent	Date sent	Purport

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PLACE & DATE OF TRIAL Singapore 6,8,9 July 46.

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REMARKS

DISPOSAL OF PROCEEDINGS To AG3 HQ ALFSEA... 27 Nov 46
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