

Man jailed 6 months, ordered caned for misappropriating company fuel card

SIBU: The Magistrates' Court here yesterday sentenced a 37-year-old man to six months' imprisonment and one stroke of the cane for misappropriating a fuel refilling card belonging to his employer.

Magistrate Romario Jono imposed the sentence on Enggong Gani from Sebauh, Bintulu after he pleaded guilty to a charge under Section 403 of the

Penal Code.

He was charged with dishonestly misappropriating a fuel refilling card belonging to Salcra Sdn Bhd, which had been entrusted to him for the purpose of refuelling a company vehicle at a petrol station on Jalan Teku here between April 12 and 14, 2026.

The charge under Section 403 of the Penal Code provides for

imprisonment of not less than six months and whipping, and possible fine, upon conviction.

Based on the case facts, the complainant discovered the incident on April 14 at about 2pm while checking the company's SmartPay system, which showed three diesel transactions between April 12 and 14 for a company vehicle at a petrol station in Jalan Teku that did not

comply with proper refuelling procedures.

Further checks using the company's vehicle tracking system revealed that the lorry was still at a workshop in Saratok during that period.

The complainant suspected that the accused had misused the fuel card which had been issued to him in January 2025 strictly for refuelling diesel for

that specific lorry.

The accused was arrested on April 16 at about 4pm along Jalan Ulu Lanang here following a police report lodged by the complainant.

Police also seized the fuel refilling card during the arrest.

Deputy public prosecutor Nuralisa Natasha Nazrulzam prosecuted, while the accused was unrepresented.