

Woman who caused death of ex-lover by negligence fined RM4,000

KUCHING: A 63-year-old woman was fined RM4,000 in default four months' jail by the Magistrates' Court here yesterday for negligently causing the death of her 73-year-old former lover two years ago.

The accused pleaded guilty before Magistrate Ling Hui Chuan after the charge under Section 304A of the Penal Code, which carries up to two years' imprisonment or a fine, or both, was read to her.

She committed the offence at an unnumbered house in Kampung Atas Singai, Bau on

Nov 29, 2025.

Based on the facts of the case, police received a call at about 11.39pm that day requesting assistance after a 73-year-old man was found unconscious by the roadside near a surau.

An investigation revealed that the accused had struck the victim with a piece of wood, causing him to fall backwards.

It was informed that the victim and the accused were former lovers, and that in the months leading up to the incident, the victim had been jealous of the accused's boyfriend, who was

frequently with her.

On the day of the incident, the victim reportedly went to the accused's house at about 8pm and punched her twice, and also attempted to attack her with his helmet, but she managed to evade him.

The victim also shouted that he wanted to kill the accused, prompting her to take a piece of wood and strike him before leaving the scene.

On Nov 30, 2025, a medical assistant from Bau Hospital confirmed that the victim had died at about 12.18am.

The accused surrendered herself at the Bau district police headquarters later that same morning.

In mitigation, counsel for the accused Abdul Rahman Mohamad Hazmi said his client had acted in self-defence following intense provocation, describing the incident as a spontaneous response to an assault by the deceased rather than a premeditated act.

He also highlighted that the accused had pleaded guilty at the earliest opportunity, demonstrating remorse and

saving the court's time.

"The accused never intended to cause the death of the deceased. After the deceased fell, she did not continue the assault. Instead, she sat on him to pin him down and asked her companion for rope to tie his hands so she could surrender him to the police.

"Upon learning the deceased had stopped breathing, she immediately went to the Bau police station to lodge a report," he said.

The prosecution was handled by deputy public prosecutor Ahmad Fauzulutfi Suriani.