

Man charged with molesting a six-year-old girl

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KOTA KINABALU: A 50-year-old man was charged in the Sessions Court here Friday with committing physical sexual offences against a six-year-old girl, four years ago. Unemployed Noredi Abu Bakar pleaded not guilty before Judge Amir Shah Amir Hassan to committing the offence against the minor in early September 2020 in a car at a Tuaran village. The offence under Section 14 (a) of the Sexual Offences against Children Act 2017 carries a jail term of up to 20 years, and whipping, on conviction. Deputy Public Prosecutor Muhammad Al-Hakim Abdul Razak in applying for a mention date offered no bail. Counsel Muhamad Amirul Amin requested a lower bail amount on the grounds that the accused has mental problems and has regular appointments at the Hospital Mesra here. Amir fixed March 11 for mention and offered the accused bail at RM10,000 with RM5,000 deposited in two sureties and to report to the Tuaran Police Station once a month.