

Man gets 12 years, four lashes for incest with niece



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KUCHING: A 42-year-old man was sentenced by the Sessions Court here yesterday to 12 years in prison and four strokes of the cane for committing incest with his 13-year-old niece.

Judge Saiful Bahari Adzmi convicted the accused on his own guilty plea to a charge under Section 376B(1) of the Penal Code read together with Section 16 of the Sexual Offences Against Children Act 2017.

Section 376B(1) provides for imprisonment of not less than 10 years and not more than 30 years, along with whipping, while Section 16 provides up to five years' jail and a minimum of two lashes, upon conviction.

The offence was committed at house in Petra Jaya here at around 2am on April 4, 2025.

According to the facts of the case, the victim revealed what had happened to her mother via a phone call sometime after the incident.

The mother then lodged a police report and the accused, who is her elder brother, was arrested on May 30.

A medical examination revealed old tears on the victim's hymen.



The accused is led away after sentencing. — Photo by Hafizah Abdul Hamid

Deputy public prosecutor Umi Syukriah Harun appeared for the prosecution, while the accused was unrepresented.

It is informed that the accused is currently serving a prison sentence for repeated drug abuse offences.