## The Borneo Post: 09 February 2024 Man pleads guilty to forging MC, fined RM1,000

**KUCHING:** The Magistrates' Court here yesterday fined a man RM1,000 in default two weeks in jail after he pleaded guilty to forging a medical certificate (MC) issued by a government clinic.

Farzari Shahir Mohammad Azhar, 24, made the plea before magistrate Syarifah Azura Wan Ali after the charge under Section 471 of the Penal Code read together with Section 465 of the same Code was read to him.

The Section provides a jail term of up to two years or a fine, or both, upon conviction. He committed the offence at his workplace in Saradise here at around 2.34pm on Oct 27, 2023. Based on the facts of the case, a human resource executive at Farzari's workplace discovered that the date on an MC submitted by the accused had been altered.

The executive proceeded to contact a health clinic in Petra Jaya that issued the MC for clarification, and was informed by the doctor there that Farzari did not seek treatment at the clinic on the date stated in the MC.

A further check by the executive also found that the MC in question — dated Oct 27, 2023 — bore the same serial number as a previous MC submitted by the accused dated Oct 13, 2023. This led the executive to file a police report.

It was informed that Farzari forged the MC because he was sick on that day and wanted to rest.

Insp Ammarsofi Yusoff prosecuted, while Farzari was unrepresented by counsel.