

Indonesian charged with murdering compatriot



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Four of the accused are escorted from the court following the proceedings.

further remanded at Miri Central Prison pending the date.

They were arrested at the plantation at around 8.30pm on Nov 14 following a report filed by the victim's family earlier the same day.

The victim's remains were exhumed by police at a Muslim cemetery in Niah on Nov 20.

The proceedings were conducted via Zoom before Magistrate Ashok Linggam, with

ASP Mary Ong appearing for the prosecution.

None of the accused were represented by counsel.

In separate proceedings in the Sessions Court, all five accused were sentenced to six months' jail and one stroke of the cane for entering Malaysia illegally.

Judge Afidah Abdul Rahman convicted them on their own guilty pleas to a charge under Section 6(1) of the Immigration

Act 1959/63, punishable under Section 6(3) of the same Act, and ordered the imprisonment to take effect from the date of their arrest on Nov 14.

They committed the offence at around 8.30pm on Nov 14 at the same oil palm plantation when they each failed to produce valid travel documents to police.

Prosecuting was deputy public prosecutor Mohammad Syafiq Samry.

MIRI: An Indonesian plantation worker was charged in the Magistrates' Court here with the murder of his compatriot earlier this month.

No plea was recorded from Mohammad Hasrudi Amran, 19, after the charge under Section 302 of the Penal Code was read to him, with the court fixing Dec 16 for further mention of the case.

According to the charge, he allegedly caused the death of A. Akmal, 33, from Bulukumba, South Sulawesi between 10pm on Nov 1 and 3.30am the next day at an oil palm plantation in Tinjar, Baram.

Meanwhile, Mohammad Hasrudi and four other Indonesian co-workers—Amirullah Tekko, 37, Reang, 23, Alpian, 25, and Abdul Rahman, 19—were jointly charged under Section 201 of the Penal Code read together with Section 34 with concealing the victim's death by secretly burying him.

No plea was recorded from all the accused, with the court also fixing Dec 16 for further mention.

All five were ordered to be