Man gets 14 months behind bars for unprovoked assault of adoptive mum

**KUCHING:** The Magistrates' Court here yesterday sentenced a jobless man to 14 months in prison for punching his 76-year-old adoptive mother in the face.

Magistrate Mason Jaro Lenya Barayan convicted Mohd Izzan Mohd Hashim, 34, unrepresented, on his own guilty plea to a charge under Section 323 of the Penal Code read together with Section 326A of the same Code.

Section 323 of the Penal Code provides for imprisonment of up to one year, a fine not exceeding RM2,000, or both, upon conviction.

Meanwhile, Section 326A allows for a sentence of up to twice the maximum term prescribed for the offence, notwithstanding any other punishment provided under the relevant Section.

Mohd Izzan committed the offence at a house in Laruh Skim, Jalan Matang at around 2am on Dec 30, 2024.

It was understood that he was

intoxicated when he assaulted his adoptive mum without any reason.

Additionally, it was revealed that he had previously acted aggressively and assaulted the victim – also while intoxicated – although no police report had been lodged on those occasions.

According to the facts of the case, the victim's nephew came across a message via their family chat group in WhatsApp, which stated that the victim had suffered head and eye injuries after being assaulted by the accused.

The nephew and other family members took the victim to the hospital for a medical examination and subsequently lodged a police report.

Acting on the report, police arrested Mohd Izzan at around 12.05pm on Jan 2 this year.

A medical report confirmed that the victim had sustained a left subdural haemorrhage and soft tissue injuries to the upper lip.