

College student charged with assaulting, threatening hostel security guard

KUCHING: A male college student claimed trial at the Magistrates' Court here yesterday to charges of assaulting a hostel security guard and threatening to burn down the latter's house.

The 24-year-old accused pleaded not guilty to both charges before Magistrate Leona Dominic Mojiliu, who allowed him bail of RM1,000 for each charge and fixed Nov 5, 2026 for case management.

On the first charge, the student allegedly injured a 20-year-old security guard by punching the victim in the face and chest several times.

The charge was framed under Section 323 of the Penal Code, which provides for up to one year in prison or a fine not exceeding RM2,000, or both, upon conviction.

On the second charge under Section 506 of the Penal Code,

the accused allegedly threatened to set fire to the security guard's house if he lodged a police report regarding the assault.

Section 506 provides for up to seven years' jail or a fine, or both, upon conviction.

Both offences were allegedly committed at around 4am on Oct 20, 2026 on the staircase of a hostel on the first floor of a college in Batu Kawa here.

The incident is said to have happened after the security guard asked the accused, who had allegedly returned to the hostel after consuming alcoholic drinks, to record his name in the hostel's entry and exit logbook, triggering an argument between them.

Deputy public prosecutor Ahmad Fauzulutfi Suriani appeared for the prosecution, while the accused was unrepresented by counsel.