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Man fined RM5,000 over machete attack

MIRI: The Magistrates' Court here yesterday fined a man RM5,000 in default 10 months' jail for injuring another person with a machete last month.

Magistrate Ashok Linggam convicted Marius Anthony, 34, on his own guilty plea to a charge under Section 324 of the Penal Code for voluntarily causing grievous hurt.

The Section provides for up to 10 years' jail or a fine or whipping, or any two of such punishments, upon conviction.

The offence was committed at an unnumbered house in Kampung Muhibbah, Kuala Baram at about 5.23pm on Oct 30.

Insp Mudzilawati Abdul Rahman prosecuted, while the accused was unrepresented.

In a separate case before the same magistrate, a 29-year-old man was sentenced to 12 months in prison after pleading guilty to disposing of stolen property.

Justone Elwie Nuga made the plea after the charge under Section 414 of the Penal Code, which provides for up to seven years' jail or a fine or both, was read out to him.

According to the charge, the accused had dishonestly disposed of stolen property belonging to a trader, comprising seven shirts and two pairs of shorts.

The offence was committed at a premises in Morsjaya Commercial Centre at about 9am on Oct 28, 2026.

The prosecution was conducted by deputy public prosecutor Mohammad Syafiq Samry, while the accused appeared without legal representation.