

**IN THE COURT OF THE JUDICIAL FIRST CLASS MAGISTRATE-I,
MUVATTUPUZHA**

Present:- Sri.Sajid Andathode Thechan, Judicial First Class Magistrate-I
Thursday, the 23rd day of October, 2025/ 1st day of Karthika, 1947.

CC No.1112/2022

Complainant : State of Kerala, represented by the
Sub Inspector of Police, Muvattupuzha
in Cr. No. 2303/2022 of Muvattupuzha
P.S.
(By Jayaraj M.B. APP Gr.II)

Accused : Sugathan, aged 60/22, S/o Narayanan,
Kanjiram Kuzhakkal House, Near
Rakkad Temple, RakkadKara, Valakom
village.
(By Advocate Murali Manohar R)

Offence : U/s. 294(b), 354 A (IV), 509 and 506(i)
of IPC.

Plea : Not guilty

Finding : Not guilty

Sentence or order : Accused is acquitted u/s. 248(1) of
Cr.PC.

DESCRIPTION OF THE ACCUSED

Sl. No.	Name of the Police Station and the crime No. of the offence	Name of the accused	Age	Father's Name	Occupation	Residence
1.	Cr.No.2303/2022 of Muvattupuzha Police Station.	Sugathan	60/22	Narayanan	-	Kanjiram Kuzhakkal House, Near Rakkad Temple, Rakkad Kara, Valakom village.

DATES OF

Occurrence	Complaint	Appearance	Released on Bail	Comm.of trial	Commence ment of evidence	Close of trial	Sentence or Order	Explanatio n for delay
04.09.2022	28.09.2022	07.06.2023	07.06.2023	07.06.2023	15.10.2025	23.10.2025	23.10.2025	No delay

This case coming upon for hearing on today's proceedings, the court delivered the following:-

JUDGMENT

This case was taken on file on the basis of police report filed by Sub Inspector of police, Muvattupuzha against the accused alleging offences punishable U/s. 294(b), 354 A(IV), 509, first paragraph of 506 of IPC.

2. **The prosecution case, in brief, is as follows:-** On 04.09.2022 at 04.45 pm, the accused uttered obscene words against PW1, made sexually coloured remarks against her and criminally intimidated her. Thus, the accused committed offences alleged above.

3. The court took cognizance of the offences and issued process against the accused. On his appearance before the court, he was enlarged on bail. The accused is represented by a counsel of his own choice. The copies of the final report and other relevant prosecution records were supplied to him. Heard and charge was framed for the offences punishable U/s. 294(b), 354 A(IV), 509 and first paragraph of 506 of IPC. It was read over and explained to the accused to which he pleaded not guilty and claimed to be tried.

4. From the side of prosecution, PW1 witness was examined and Ext.P1 document was marked. Since no incriminating circumstances was brought out in evidence against the accused, questioning of the accused u/s.313 Cr.P.C was dispensed with.

5 . The following points arise for consideration.

1. Whether the accused, uttered obscene words at PW1 at or near public place and thereby committed the offence punishable u/s. 294(b) of IPC.
2. Whether the accused made sexually coloured remarks on PW1 and thereby outraged her modesty and thereby committed the offence punishable under section 354(A)(IV) IPC?
3. Whether the accused uttered words to insult the modesty of PW1 and thereby committed the offence punishable u/s 509 of IPC.
4. Whether the accused in furtherance of their common intention criminally intimidated PW1 and thereby committed the offence punishable U/s. 506(i) of IPC.
5. If found guilty, what is the order as to sentence and punishment?

6. **Point No.1 to 4:-** For the sake of convenience and to avoid repeated discussion of the same evidence, these points are considered together. PW1 is the informant. As per the deposition of PW1, on 04.09.2022 while she was returning from Rakkad school after attending Grama Sabha, she saw some activists of BJP manhandling Sarun C Soman. PW1 further stated that she went there and from there, some person from that gathering hurled abusive words against her in filthy language. According to PW1, the incident stated above was the only incident occurred there. Ext.P1 was the first information statement lodged

by PW1. PW1 also stated that she couldn't identify the person who verbally abused her and she mentioned the name of the accused in Ext.P1 out of misunderstanding. PW1 also contradicted her own version in Ext.P1 and stated that there was no incident of criminal intimidation.

7. Though learned APP put questions to PW1 which might be asked in cross examination, nothing could be brought out to discredit the witness. As the material witness failed to support the case of the prosecution, learned APP has rightly given up the remaining witnesses. On an overall appreciation of evidence on record, I am satisfied that the prosecution failed to prove the guilt of accused beyond reasonable doubt. Therefore, accused are entitled for an order of acquittal. The points are answered against the prosecution.

8. **Point No.5:-** In the light of the discussions above, it is found that accused is not guilty of the offences punishable under sections 294(b), 354A(IV), 509 and first paragraph of 506 of Indian Penal Code and he is acquitted of the offences u/s.248 (1) Cr.PC. He is set at liberty and is discharged of the bail bond.

(Dictated to the confidential assistant, typed by her corrected and pronounced by me in open court on this the 23rd day of October, 2025).

Sd/-

Judicial First Class Magistrate-I,
Muvattupuzha.

APPENDIX

Witnesses Examined for the prosecution:-

PW1 (CW1) : Rekha Vinod dated 15.10.2025.

Exhibits Marked for the prosecution:-

Ext.P1 : First Information Statement proved through PW1.

Witnesses and Exhibits for the Defence:- Nil

Material Object: Marked:-Nil

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