

IN THE COURT OF THE JUDICIAL FIRST CLASS MAGISTRATE-1, MAVELIKARA

Present :- Sri. Japhinraj. J.B, Judicial First Class Magistrate – I

Dated this the 11th day of March, 2026

CP. 60/2025

Complainant : State represented by the Sub Inspector of police Mavelikara in crime No. 1431/2024.
(By Sri. Arun Sukumar A.P.P
Mavelikara)

Accused : Sam Mathew, aged 52 years, S/o. Mathai,
11/6 Diamond Plaza, Muthur Junction,
Thiruvalla, Pathanamthitta(now residing at.
C/o. Salim John, Akkara House, House No.
722/A1, Aruthotty, Kottayam.
(By Adv. Arun S Kumar)

Offence : U/ss. 354, 354(A), 354(D), 26 of The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace Act and under section 92(b) of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

Sentence/Order : The case against accused is committed to the Hon'ble Sessions Court, Alappuzha u/s. 223(a) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita.

This case coming on this day for consideration, the court passed the following:-

ORDER

1. This case arose from a Final Report filed by the Sub Inspector of police, Mavelikara police station crime No. 1431/2024 alleging that the accused committed offences punishable U/Ss. 354, 354(A), 354(D), 26 of The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace Act and under section 92(b) of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

2. **Prosecution case in brief is as follows:** The informant is a differently-abled person working as the Assistant Administrative Officer at LIC, Mavelikara Branch. The accused is the Branch Manager of the said branch. On 18.06.2021, the accused hurled abusive words at her. On 21.06.2021 at noon, the accused came to the informant's cabin and again abused her with sexual intent. On 29.06.2021 in the evening, the accused came to the informant's cabin and touched her buttocks with sexual intent. On 20.07.2021, at around 11 am, the accused pulled a chair and sat near the informant's seat, rubbed his right leg against her left thigh, and placed it there. When the informant moved away, the accused pressed his elbow on her left breast. The accused also told colleagues that the de facto complainant got the job using a fake disability certificate and that being disabled, she wouldn't do any work. Thus, the accused caused insult and mental agony to her. The accused is alleged to have committed the aforesaid offences.

3. The accused was arrested and remanded during the course of investigation. He was granted bail by this Court as per order in CrI.M.P. No. 296/2025 dated 05.5.2025. On filing of the final report, process was issued to the accused and he appeared before the court. The accused had Counsel of his own choice. Copies of the relevant prosecution records were furnished to the accused in compliance with S. 231 of BNSS. Offences alleged against the accused are exclusively triable by the Hon'ble Court of Sessions. Hence, the case against the accused is committed to the Hon'ble Court of Sessions, Alappuzha, under section 223(a) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita.

4. The accused is directed to appear before the Hon'ble Court of Sessions, as and when directed, under section 223(b) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita.

5. The records and the properties shall be submitted to the Hon'ble Court of Sessions under section 223(c) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita.

6. The Public Prosecutor Alappuzha, shall be notified of the commitment of the case under section 223(d) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita.

(Dictated to the Confidential Assistant directly, corrected and pronounced by me, in open court, on this day of 11th day of March, 2026)

Judicial First class Magistrate-I
Mavelikara