

IN THE COURT OF THE JUDICIAL FIRST CLASS MAGISTRATE -I, PALA

Present:- Smt. Shermin S.S.,

Judicial First Class Magistrate, Pala.

Wednesday the 06th day of May, 2026 / 16th Vaisakha, 1948**CP.28/2026****(R/F from CC.177/25)**

- Complainant : State represented by SI of police, Pala police station in Cr.1360/24
(Rep.Ry Smt. Hima A.R, APP Gr.II, Pala)
- Accused : Joseph V Joseph, aged 60 yrs, S/o V.D Joseph, Valiyaparambil House, Bharananganam Village, Bharananganam P.O, Kottayam District.
(By Adv. Thomas V.T)
- Offences : u/s.296(b), 126(2), 75(1)(iv), 351(1) of BNS
- Order : Case against the accused is committal to the Hon'ble Court of Session, Kottayam, u/s.323 Cr.P.C.

This case having been finally heard on this day, the Court passed the following:

ORDER

1. This is a case instituted on a report filed by the Pala police station in Cr.1360/24 alleging that the accused had committed offences punishable u/s. 296(b), 126(2), 75(1)(iv), 351(1) of BNS.
2. The prosecution case in brief is as follows :- On 05/10/2024 at 06.30 pm, at Bharananganam Village, accused hurled abused against defacto complainant, with an intention to sexual harassment accused using sexually coloured remarks against CW1 and thereby outraged her modesty. Thereafter, accused obstruct CW1's vehicle by his car. Thereby accused alleged to have committed the offences punishable u/s. 296(b), 126(2), 75(1)(iv), 351(1)of BNS.
3. The accused was arrested and produced before this Court. Later bail granted to the accused. After appearance of accused copies were given.

4. This case was originally taken on file as CC.177/2025. Later it was found that the offences alleged are exclusively triable by a Court of Sessions, the case has been converted to CP. 28/2026, that is the present case.
5. On going through the records it appears that the offence u/s 75(1)(iv) of BNS alleged against accused is exclusively triable by Hon'ble Court of Session. Hence the case is committed u/s. 323(a) CrPC to the Hon'ble Court of Session, Kottayam.
6. The accused shall appear before the Hon'ble Court of Session, Kottayam as and when required.
7. Forward the case records and material objects to the Hon'ble Court of Session, Kottayam forthwith as provided u/s. 323(c) Cr.P.C.
8. Notify the committal of the case to the Public Prosecutor, Kottayam as provided u/s. 323(d) Cr.P.C.

Dictated to the Confidential Assistant, typed by her corrected by me,
pronounced in the open Court on this the 06th day of May, 2026

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Judicial First Class Magistrate-I,

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