



ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

ODPP Serious Crime (Non-Sexual Violence Offences) Statistics – January 2017

The following data is authorised for release by the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP) and relates to the number of formal indictments (*Information*) filed in the High Courts of Fiji by the Director of Public Prosecutions throughout the month. This data is confined to incidents of serious crimes other than sexual violence offences which are recorded and published separately.

There were 12 people charged with a total of 7 separate incidents in January. The incidents were murder (1), attempted murder (1) aggravated robbery (2), abuse of office (1), act with intent to cause grievous harm (1) and criminal intimidation (1).

There were 7 victims of these separate offences.

A retrial was ordered by the Court of Appeal in the 2010 murder case. In the attempted murder case, the accused and the victim were defacto partners.

In the aggravated robbery, two people were allegedly robbed of \$133,000 and \$1,380 respectively during a carjacking incident in Lautoka.

A 60 year old was charged with abuse of office whilst employed by the Ministry of Provincial Department and allegedly received payments amounting to \$184,000.

In another carjacking case in Suva where a cane knife was used, a 27 year old has been charged with one count of act with intent to cause grievous harm and one count of criminal intimidation.

Refer to the table entitled *ODPP Serious Crime (Non-Sexual Violence Offences) Statistics January 2017* for a break-down of these statistics.



ODPP Serious Crime (Non- Sexual Violence Offences) Statistics January 2017

	Murder	Attempted Murder	Aggravated Robbery	Abuse of Office	Act with intent to cause grievous harm	Criminal Intimidation	Total
No. of Counts	1	1	2	1	1	1	7
Total No. of Victims	1	1	2	1	1	1	7
Total No. of Accused Persons	1	1	8	1	1	1	12*
No. of <i>Nolle Prosequi</i> filed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No. of counts involving people in domestic relationships or relatives	1	1	0	0	1	0	2
No. of False Complaints	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Source: ODPP Fiji						

***Please note that a number of accused persons may also have been charged with other serious offences.**

***Please also note that sexual violence offences are recorded and published separately.**

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