



## ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

### **Court convicts Businessman and Opposition MP of sedition**

A former businessman and an Opposition Member of Parliament (MP) were found guilty this afternoon (26.03.18) by the Suva Magistrates' Court.

Former businessman Jagath Karunaratne and Opposition MP Mosese Bulitavu were charged with sedition. It was alleged that Karunaratne and Bulitavu spray painted words in different places between Suva and Nausori in 2011 with the seditious intention of bringing into hatred or contempt or excite disaffection against the government of Fiji.

Resident Magistrate Deepika Prakash found both the accused persons guilty and convicted them accordingly.

The matter has been adjourned to 19 April 2018 for sentence hearing.

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