



ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

- Date:** 10 July 2020
- Name of Matter:** State-v-Emosi Tagicakivanua & Ors
- Name of Accused:** Emosi Tagicakivanua, Vishwam Baran, Alivereti Sukamanu, Nemani Lutumailagi, Viliame Nagatalevu, Samuela Vuci, Jese Marovia & Dinesh Chand
- Charges:**
- (i) Assault causing actual bodily harm (Emosi Tagicakivanua)
 - (ii) Assault causing actual bodily harm (Vishwam Baran)
 - (iii) Common Assault (Alivereti Sukamanu)
 - (iv) Assault causing actual bodily harm (Nemani Lutumailagai, Emosi Tagicakivanua & Viliame Nagatalevu)
 - (v) Acts intended to cause grievous harm (Nemani Lutumailagi)
 - (vi) Aiding and abetting acts intended to cause grievous harm (Jese Marovia)
 - (vii) Assault causing actual bodily harm (x6) (Emosi Tagicakivanua, Viliame Nagatalevu, Alivereti Sukamanu, Samuela Vuci, Viliame Nagatalevu, Nemani Lutumailagi)
 - (viii) Aiding and abetting assault causing actual bodily harm (Dinesh Chand)
 - (ix) Acts intended to cause grievous harm (Nemani Lutumailagi)
 - (x) Aiding and abetting acts intended to cause grievous harm (Dinesh Chand)
 - (xi) Giving false information on oath (x8) (Dinesh Chand, Jese Marovia, Nemani Lutumailagi, Emosi Tagicakivanua, Viliame Nagatalevu, Alivereti Sukamanu, Samuela Vuci, Vishwam Baran)
 - (xii) Conspiracy to defeat justice and interference with witnesses (Jese Marovia, Nemani Lutumailagi & Alivereti Sukamanu)

Update:

This matter was called today (10.07.20) at the Tavua Magistrates' Court before Magistrate Lisiate Fotofili.

The eight police officers appeared for their alleged involvement in the Tavua assault case on 26 March 2020.

Emosi Tagicakivanua, Vishwam Baran, Alivereti Sukamanu, Nemani Lutumailgai, Viliame Nagatalevu, Samuela Vuci, Jese Marovia and Dinesh Chand are charged with a total of 24 counts of serious crime offences consisting of assault causing actual bodily harm, act intended to cause grievous bodily harm, aiding and abetting assault causing actual bodily harm, aiding and abetting acts intended to cause grievous bodily harm, common assault, giving a false statement on oath, conspiracy to defeat justice, and interference with witnesses.

The State served first phase disclosures.

The case has been adjourned to 24 August 2020 for first mention at the Lautoka High Court.

All accused persons have been granted bail on strict conditions.

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