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### **Police arrest prime suspect in relation to the violent attack on one of the CCECC workers at the Kolofe campsite.**

Auki police have arrested a 40-year-old male prime suspect who allegedly attacked one of the China Civil Engineering Construction Corporation (CCECC) workers at the Kolofe campsite, in the northern part of Malaita Province.

The arrests were conducted with the help of the community on the morning of 12 February at the home village of the suspect.

Supervising Provincial Police Commander (PPC) of Malaita Province, Superintendent Michael Ramosaea, said several attempts to arrest the prime suspect have been made; however, police have not been successful.

Supervising PPC Ramosaea said Auki police, with the help of the community, captured the prime suspect early in the morning at his home. The suspect was arrested, detained in police custody, and remanded at Auki Correctional Centre.

PPC Ramosaea said the prime suspect after the brutal attack on 9 December 2025 continued to make threats against the employees of the CCECC and police officers.

Superintendent Ramosaea said the suspect has been charged for grievous harm contrary to Section 226 of the Penal Code and will appear in court on a later date.

Mr. Ramosaea said the prime suspect was also charged with other previous cases against him, for which he did not attend court.

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