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Father Attempts Suicide, then Charged for Sexual Abuse of Daughter

A 49-year-old man will appear virtually before a Point Fortin Magistrate today to answer five counts of sexual penetration of a minor.

The suspect was arrested on Saturday 24th October, 2020, following a report made by a 16-year-old girl that she was allegedly subjected to years of sexual abuse by her father.

According to the girl, the last assault occurred at 7.30 am on Monday 19th October, 2020, at their home.

WPC Myers, of the South-Western Division Child Protection Unit (CPU), took lead of the case during which she discovered that the girl was allegedly abused since the age of 11.

Upon learning of the report made to the police, the suspect reportedly ingested a combination of Malathion, power steering and brake fluids. He was rushed to the Point Fortin Area Hospital and subsequently transferred to the San Fernando General Hospital where he received treatment and was seen by the Hospital Psychiatrist.

On Sunday 25^{th} October, 2020, the accused was discharged from the institution and taken into police custody.

On Monday 26th October 2020, WPC Myers arrested the accused who was charged for the five offences for which he is expected to answer to today, Tuesday 27th October, 2020, before a Point Fortin Magistrate.

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