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Farid held for alleged assault at police station

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PETALING JAYA — Actor Datuk Farid Kamil, known for portraying thugs and gangsters in movies, was arrested yesterday for allegedly assaulting a traffic policeman and a civilian at the Kota Damansara police station.

The 37-year-old, who is married to actress Datin Diana Danielle, allegedly slapped an officer on the face while he was there to report an accident.

Petaling Jaya police chief Assistant Commissioner Mohd Zani Che Din confirmed the incident, saying Farid was immediately arrested following the alleged assault.

"After the arrest, we ran a urine test on him where he tested positive for marijuana," he said.

Mohd Zani said Farid would be brought before a magistrate here today to obtain a remand order.

The drama unfolded at the station at about 1.30pm yesterday, when Farid and another person were there to report a traffic accident.

"When the officer on duty questioned Farid on how the accident took place, he flashed his mobile phone and a message that read '300 artistes borrowing money from loan sharks due to lack of jobs'," he said.

"Just as the officer questioned Farid over the relevance of the message, he was slapped on his face."

Mohd Zani said the incident was witnessed by one other police corporal and three civilians.

He said the star of feature film *Evolusi KL Drift* then allegedly lashed out and kicked a civilian at the station.

"Immediately after the assault officers



Farid and Diana at the Anugerah Skrin 2016 awards in PICC Putrajaya. — Picture by Hasbullah Awang Chik

apprehended him and placed him in handcuffs. He cooled down after being detained," he said.

Mohd Zani said the case was being investigated under Section 90 of the Police Act for misbehaving in a police station and for assault.

Farid's first breakthrough role was when

he was paired with popular actress Erra Fazira in the thriller *Tujuh Perhentian* in 2004.

Since then he has starred and directed in many movies which were box-office hits such as *Anak Halal*, *Kala Bulan Mengambang*, *V3 Samseng*, *Jalanan* and *Tombiruo*.

Farid has also starred and directed films

Kongsi and *PE3*, while appearing on the small screen in shows *Qanun 99*, and *Jodoh Itu Milik Kita*, and telemovies *Sedikit Waktu* and *Syukur Syawal*.

Contacted by *Malay Mail*, Diana declined to comment on the arrest.

"Please let us deal with the situation at hand," Diana wrote in a text message.