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# Sargodha Christian Attacked After Street Cleaning Sparks Blasphemy Rumour

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Victim Nazir Masih, who is believed to be hospitalised

## CASE SUMMARY

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| **Location** | Pakistani media identified the victim as a Christian resident of Sargodha, Punjab. |
| **Alleged trigger** | Pakistani media linked the attack to a rumour that the victim had burned pages of the Quran. |
| **Nephew's account** | His nephew said he was clearing storm debris and did not know it contained pages of Islamic holy texts. |
| **Mob attack** | The mob beat the 75-year-old, looted the property and set his house ablaze. |
| **Charges against suspects** | Police booked suspects on charges including attempted murder, arson and lynching. |

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