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Shamsul (second from left) showing the equipment seized from the drug processing laboratory yesterday.

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KLANG: Three members of a family were among five people detained after police busted a drug processing laboratory operating in a three-storey house at Bandar Botanic here.

South Klang district police chief ACP Shamsul Amar Ramli said the suspects, aged between 18 and 53, were detained in separate locations following surveillance and intelligence information.

"An anti-narcotics operation was initiated by the South Klang narcotics criminal investigation department. Four suspects were nabbed in a restaurant in Pandamaran last Thursday.

"Following interrogation, another suspect was detained at Taman Sejati in Klang," he told reporters at the district police headquarters yesterday.

Shamsul Amar said the arrests led the investigators to raid a three-storey house in Bandar Botanic, Klang.

"During the raid, police seized several drug processing apparatus and 3.85kg syabu oil worth RM110,000.

"Checks revealed that three suspects were related - a father, son and his son-in-law. The other two suspects were their associates."

The house was rented for RM2,000 monthly.

"The drugs were meant for local consumption and we are still ascertaining where the group got its laboratory apparatus to process the drugs. We also seized four vehicles and four gold rings worth RM450,000," he said.

The suspects are under remand and the case is being investigated under the Dangerous Drugs Act 1952.

In a separate case, Shamsul Amar said six Sabahans were nabbed for their involvement in a series of break-ins at shops in Bukit Tinggi here.