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**KUALA LUMPUR** — City police conducted 74 raids to detect the distribution of illicit drugs in entertainment outlets last year, seizing narcotics worth a total of RM82,117.

KL police chief Commissioner Datuk Mazlan Lazim also said 1,236 people were arrested for drug abuse from the 3,979

screened during enforcement.

“A total of 777 of those caught were men, while 459 of them women,” he said.

Mazlan also touched on a rising trend of drug-laced drinks sold in entertainment outlets.

“These outlets have made available drinks such as hot chocolate and juices laced with drugs,” he said.

“The ongoing raids are to make sure these outlets are free of narcotics.”

Mazlan said police would push for a review of the operating licences of these outlets, especially repeat offenders who continued the activity despite repeated raids.

Mazlan also disclosed the crime rate in the city fell a drastic 20.67 per cent last year, with street crime down by 25.67 per cent.

“This is part of city police’s ongoing efforts to clean up the city so that city dwellers feel safer with a reduced crime rate,” he said.