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KUALA LUMPUR: Two students of a skills training institution were sentenced to 240 hours of community service for riding their motorcycles recklessly by zig-zagging at high speed between moving vehicles.

According to Bernama, magistrate Maizatul Munirah Abdul Rahman meted out the punishment to Fahmin Ulumuddin Hamzah and Abdullah Mu'az Ismail, both 19, after they pleaded guilty to committing the offence at Jalan Raja Laut here at 10.14pm on Jan 20.

They were also ordered to pay a deposit of RM1,500 and to complete the community service in two years.

Their riding licence was revoked and

they have been barred from applying for a new one for three years.

They were charged under Section 42 (1) of the Road Transport Act 1987, which provides for a maximum jail term of five years, a minimum RM5,000 fine and revocation of driving licence.

Fahmin and Abdullah, who were unrepentant, informed the court they were still studying and asked not to be sentenced to jail.

Meanwhile, in **Seremban**, six express bus drivers, aged between 25 and 40, were found to be on drugs during operations from Feb 9 to Thursday.

"They were found to have taken synthetic drugs," said National Anti-Drugs Agency

(AADK) director-general Datuk Dr Abdul Halim Mohd Hussin.

He said the six were among 2,325 bus drivers screened at 25 major bus terminals nationwide.

"The arrest shows there are still some public transportation drivers who abuse drugs," he said.

Abdul Halim was speaking after launching the Combat Drug All Out 3.0 programme organised by the Negri Sembilan AADK. Also present was state AADK director Nazira Sadiron.

Abdul Halim also recommended bus companies that carried out routine urine tests on drivers to ensure they were free from drugs.