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JOHOR BARU: Police seized a Stoeger Cougar pistol with 50 live bullets, five empty casings and a magazine with four live bullets from a suspected drug syndicate member in Tangkak.

State police chief Comm Datuk Mohd Khalil Kader Mohd said the 47-year-old man was arrested at a house during a joint operation with Bukit Aman on Wednesday.

"Besides the firearm and ammunition, police also seized some 8kg of syabu worth RM566,000 from the house," he told reporters after attending a blood donation campaign here yesterday.

Police also found an ecstasy pill-making machine while checks revealed that the man, who tested positive for methamphetamine, had previous criminal records for drug offences, said Comm Mohd Khalil.

The man has been remanded until April 20 for investigation under Section 39B of the Dangerous Drugs Act and Section 8/8A of the Firearms (Heavier Penalty) Act 1971, he added.

As of April 14 this year, said Comm Mohd Khalil, police had seized some 246.6kg of various drugs worth RM12.4mil and

arrested 4,543 suspects throughout the state.

"We have also confiscated various items totalling some RM5.2mil," he said, advising those with information on drug syndicate or activities to call its hotline at 07-2212999 or lodge a report.

On another matter, Comm Mohd Khalil said three police reports had been lodged over the fake news that went viral on Thursday about Tunku Mahkota Johor "paying" for shoppers' groceries at Econsave Pontian.

He said no arrest had been made yet.

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