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**KUALA LUMPUR:** The federal police's war on drugs has so far seen about RM81 million worth of drugs seized between Jan 1 and April 13 this year.

Bukit Aman Narcotics Criminal Investigation Department (NCID) director Commissioner Datuk Seri Mohd Mokhtar Mohd Shariff said his department seized 445.21kg of ganja, 333.55kg of syabu, 150.39kg of heroin and 21.91kg of ketamine during the period.

"We also seized 2,564,397 Erimin 5 pills, 731,932 Yaba pills and 47,235 ecstasy pills.

"Some 55,903 suspects, including 2,304 foreigners, were nabbed for drug-related offences," he said at a press

conference in Bukit Aman police headquarters yesterday.

A total 7,519 people were arrested for supplying drugs, 16,965 for possession, and 31,419 tested positive for drugs.

Police have also seized 25 firearms and weapons comprising shotguns, pistols and sharp weapons.

Mokhtar said seven primary school pupils have been picked up for peddling drugs since 2015.

"We have police representatives in schools and we are working with the National Anti-Drugs Agency and Education Ministry to curb the problem," he said.

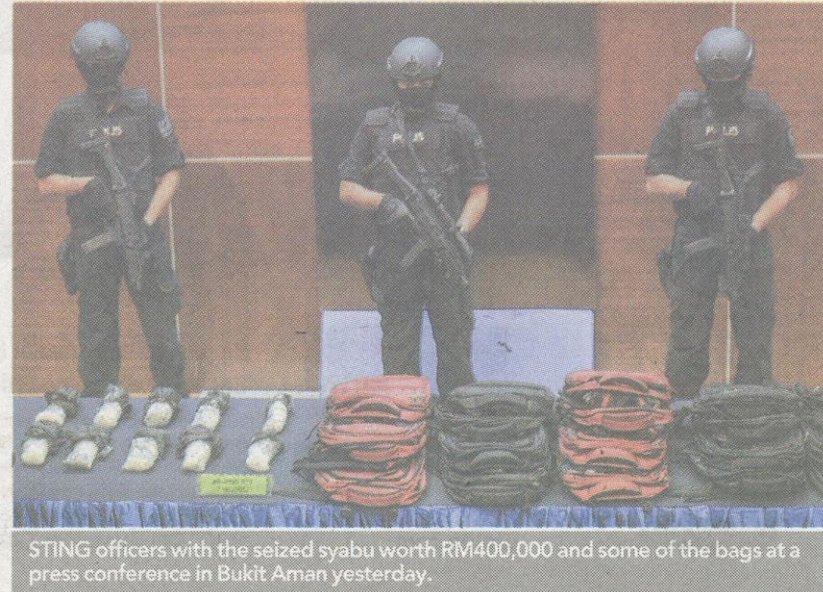
During the same period, a total of 1,018 secondary school students and 1,114 undergraduates were arrested for allegedly trafficking drugs.

Meanwhile, Mokhtar said cooperation between NCID, the Special Tactical Intelligence Narcotics Group and National Narcotics Control Commission of China (NNCC) led to an international drug syndicate being busted, with the arrest of two Nigerians last Thursday.

During the 4.15pm incident in Kepong, police seized 5.08kg of syabu worth RM400,000 stashed in backpacks.

"The suspects, aged 31 and 33, were nabbed after NNCC provided information on them," Mokhtar said.

The suspects are being remanded until tomorrow to facilitate investigation under Section 39B of the Dangerous Drugs Act 1952, which carries the mandatory death penalty upon conviction.



STING officers with the seized syabu worth RM400,000 and some of the bags at a press conference in Bukit Aman yesterday.

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