

Bid to smuggle syabu RM1.2m thwarted

ALOR SETAR -- The Kedah Customs and Excise Department thwarted an attempt by a Vietnamese woman to smuggle in syabu weighing 4.5kg valued at RM1.2 million at Bukit Kayu Hitam, near here, Saturday.

Its director Datuk Abd Aziz Abdul Latif said the 43-year-old woman was detained by Customs after her bag was inspected at 12.45pm.

He said officers conducting the inspection were suspicious because the woman's bag was too heavy although there were not many clothing inside. Further inspection by the Customs Narcotic Unit found an opaque package which was covered by brown tape containing the drug.

"The drug was hidden at the bottom of the bag which included a false bottom. Her clothes were placed on the false bottom," he told a press conference at his office, here, today. -- Bernama