

Family of drug traffickers nabbed

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SHAH ALAM: Four-months surveillance by the Selangor narcotics police paid off last Friday when they busted a drug trafficking syndicate headed by a family and recovered 121.596kg of ganja.

The one-day operation not only led to police seizing drugs worth RM286,300 but also arresting 10 members of a family who were all locals, including two women.

Selangor Narcotics CID police chief ACP Amran Ramli said initial investigations revealed that the syndicate members, aged between 16 and 57, were actively seeking markets in Klang Valley.

They were hiding in three separate locations in Selangor to avoid police detection.

"The separate raids were carried out at about 5.40pm and the suspects were picked up in Ara Damansara in Petaling Jaya, Kampung Baru Subang and Saujana Utama in Sungai Buloh.

"We believe most of the suspects arrested are from the same family, so it was a 'family-drug-affair'," Amran told a press conference today.

He said the syndicate's mastermind, a 39-years-old man, is in Selangor police's wanted list.

"We hope to arrest other members of the syndicate who we believe are active in the illegal drug distribution business.

"Based on the information received, police have been hot on the syndicate since January this year," he added.

The suspects face being charged under Section 39B of the Dangerous Drugs Act 1952 for drug trafficking, which carries the mandatory death sentence upon conviction