

Mother and son busted

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House used to repackage syabu



Police investigating officer Assistant Superintendent Rosni Othman with some of the syabu repackaged into crystal balls in Ipoh yesterday. Pic by L. Manimaran

IPOH: A 73-YEAR-OLD woman and her son were arrested for repackaging methamphetamine into smaller quantities for sale to users.

They are believed to have been in operating from their house in Ampang Baru new village here since October.

Acting on information provided by the public, a team from the Perak Anti-Narcotics Department raided the house on Dec 15 and arrested the two.

The team seized 3.64kg of syabu, the street name for methamphetamine, with a market price of about RM500,000.

Perak police chief Datuk Shukri Dahalan yesterday said the raid had also netted valuables worth RM237,000, including RM110,000 in cash, a car, a Rolex watch, and RM95,000 in a bank account.

Shukri said the suspect's mother, who was in the house during the raid was also detained but released later. Both of them didn't have prior criminal records.

"The syabu was repackaged into crystal balls weighing 24gm each."

"The two are believed to have been operating for the past three months as repackagers for syabu, which was being sent onwards for sale in Kuala Lumpur.

"We have ascertained that Ipoh was a transit point only," Shukri said.

The 43-year-old suspect was being remanded until tomorrow for further investigations, on the extent of his involvement in trafficking the drugs and to identify other syndicates, said Shukri.