

## Penang, S'gor raids net RM1m in drugs

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**KUALA LUMPUR**: Bukit Aman Narcotics Criminal Investigation Department (NCID) and Special Tactical Intelligence Narcotics Group (STING) seized 9.4kg syabu worth RM1 million, nabbed four suspects and intercepted five drug smuggling attempts in Penang and Selangor.

Some of the drugs seized in the five separate raids from Oct 31 to Nov 3, were hidden in table legs and modified bicycle seats.

Bukit Aman NCID director Datuk Seri Noor Rashid Ibrahim said that the detainees, aged between 27 and 34, belonged to international drug smuggling syndicates.

A Nigerian, an Indian national, a Papuan and a local were picked up in Penang, Petaling Jaya as well as KL International Airport (KLIA), said Noor Rashid.

The Nigerian was detained last Friday in a raid conducted at a condominium in Batu Feringgi, Penang at about 3.10pm where police managed to recover 2.6kg of syabu.

"The syabu was hidden in a box containing porcelain dolls and the bottom of the box has been modified to hide the drugs for smuggling," said Noor Rashid at a press conference at Bukit Aman today.

The arrest of the Nigerian led police to seize another 2.6kg syabu at a courier service company in PJ at about 5.30pm.

"The drugs were found stuffed in 42 table legs made of steel," said Noor Rashid.

Police arrested the Papuan later at another courier service company in PJ and seized 500g syabu there.

"The syabu was hidden in several modified bicycle seats. Both suspects, a Nigerian and a Papuan were from the same syndicate," added Noor Rashid.

Police nabbed the Indian national suspect in KLIA and seized 1.7kg syabu at about 8am on Nov 1. The syabu was stuffed inside his luggage which was modified to evade detection at security points.

On Nov 3 police nabbed a local man and confiscated 2kg syabu in an apartment in Bandar Sunway. All four detainees have been remanded to facilitate investigations under Section 39(B) of the Dangerous Drugs Act 1952, which carries the death penalty upon conviction.