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RM15m drugs seized in Kapar

KUALA LUMPUR: Police raided a drug syndicate's storage facility in Kapar, Klang, and seized RM14.9 million worth of drugs on Wednesday.



Federal police Narcotics Department director Datuk Noor Rashid Ibrahim (left) and investigating officer Inspector Hafizuddin Amin with the drugs seized from a drug syndicate's storage facility in Kapar, Klang. Pic by Sairien Nafis

A team of officers from the federal police Narcotics Department raided a double-storey house there after several suspects, who were earlier arrested in another operation on Saturday, revealed its location to police.

Department director Datuk Noor Rashid Ibrahim said yesterday police found 736,330 Eramin 5 pills and 12.3kg of Ephedrine, which is the main substance used in the production of methamphetamine pills.

"Following this operation, police detained a local man, aged 45, at his house in Bandar Bukit Raja, Klang on the same day."

Initial police investigations revealed that he was the caretaker of the facility.

"Police believe that there are more syndicate members who are still at large, and investigations are being conducted to identify and apprehend them," Noor Rashid said at the federal police headquarters in Bukit Aman here yesterday.

He said the operation on Wednesday was a follow-up to a series of 15 raids police conducted in various locations Penang, Klang and Kuala Lumpur on Saturday, in which the raiding police teams successfully busted two drug labs.

Police also seized RM43 million worth of drugs and detained 25 suspects in the earlier raids.

"With these successes, we believe that we not only managed to cripple an international drug syndicate supplying Eramin 5 drugs, but also prevented a total of 3.76 million illicit pills from entering the market."

It is learnt that Eramin 5 drugs can be sold for up to RM100 per pack of 10 pills, while the price of individual pills can go as high as RM35.