

Man sentenced to over six years in jail for meth possession

KUCHING: The Sessions Court here yesterday sentenced a 53-year-old man to six years and six months in prison for possessing 34.85 grammes of methamphetamine last year.

Judge Iris Awen Jon convicted Mahadhir Madon on his own guilty plea to a charge under Section 12(2) of the Dangerous Drugs Act 1952 (Act 234), which is punishable under Section 39A(2) of the same Act.

Section 39A(2) provides for life imprisonment or a minimum of five years, along with no fewer than 10 strokes of the cane.

Mahadhir committed the offence on March 28 last year, at 10.50am, by the road at Kampung Serikin in Bau.

According to facts of the case,

police halted a small hatchback car and found Mahadhir behaving suspiciously.

Upon further inspection, they discovered a plastic bag for a commercially produced bun in the zipped back pocket of his sling bag.

Inside the plastic bag, police found two medium-sized, transparent plastic packets containing white crystalline substances, later confirmed to be methamphetamine.

A chemist report dated June 18 same year verified the nature of the substance.

Deputy public prosecutor Mohamad Aiman Mutallib Mohamad Shariff appeared for the prosecution, while the accused did not have legal representation.