

# Man gets 19 years, 14 strokes for robbery, mischief

**KUCHING:** A 24-year-old man was sentenced to a total of 19 years and six months' imprisonment and 14 strokes of the cane after pleading guilty to robbery and mischief charges in three separate courts here.

Mohamad Shafik Abdullah pleaded guilty before Sessions Court judges Musli Ab Hamid and Noorhisham Mohd Jaafar, as well as Magistrate Leona Dominic Mojiliu.

Judge Musli sentenced the accused to seven years' imprisonment and seven strokes of the cane under Section 392 of the Penal Code for committing robbery by snatching the handbag of a 42-year-old woman along Jalan Green Hill here on May 6.

Before Judge Noorhisham, the accused received 10 years' imprisonment and seven strokes of the cane under Section 395 of the Penal Code for committing

gang robbery by snatching the handbag of a 63-year-old woman outside a pharmacy along Jalan Stutong on June 11.

Mohamad Shafik's accomplice Nik Farris Asri Salbini, 27, was handed the same sentence for the offence.

Magistrate Leona, meanwhile sentenced Mohamad Shafik to 18 months' imprisonment and 12 months' imprisonment under Section 426 of the Penal Code, for splashing petrol and red paint on the gate of a 63-year-old man's house along Jalan Menggeris on March 16 and April 4, respectively.

All the sentences imposed on Mohamad Shafik were ordered to run consecutively.

Deputy public prosecutors Chuah Kai Sheng, Muhammad Aidil Akmal Sharidan and Ahmad Fauzulutfi Suriani appeared separately for the prosecution.



Mohamad Shafik (second left) and Nik Farris are escorted by police personnel after the proceedings.