

Two plead guilty to illegal cockfighting, fined RM1,000

MIRI: Two men were each fined RM1,000 in default one week in prison after pleading guilty at the Marudi Magistrates' Court yesterday to a charge of participating in illegal cockfighting.

Mus Mikol, 55, from Bandar Baru Permyjaya and Felix Jalong Wilfred, 34, from Pujut Padang Kerbau were charged under Section 73(1)(g) of the Veterinary Public Health Ordinance 1999, which provides for a fine not exceeding RM2,000 or up to six months' jail, or both, upon

conviction.

They committed the offence at an open area of an oil palm plantation in Sungai Buri, Beluru, Bakong at about 3pm on May 10, 2026.

The brief facts of the case stated that both accused were found to have taken part in illegal cockfighting activities involving two roosters.

Separately in the same courtroom, a woman was fined RM2,500 in default three weeks' imprisonment for possessing an illegal lottery

ticket.

Olivia Watty Pasang, 29, entered a plea of guilty after the charge under Section 9(1) of the Common Gaming Houses Act 1953 was read to her.

The Section provides for a fine not exceeding RM5,000 or imprisonment for six months, or both, upon conviction.

She committed the offence at KM10 along Jalan Beluru-Lapok at about 2pm on April 23, 2026.

According to the facts of the case, the accused was found in

possession of a piece of paper containing recorded four-digit numbers, which constituted an illegal public lottery.

In mitigation, the accused pleaded to the court for a lighter sentence as this was her first offence.

Deputy public prosecutor Mohammad Syafiq Samry and Insp Mudzilawati Abdul Rahman prosecuted both cases before Magistrate Ashok Linggam, while all the accused were unrepresented by legal counsel.