

# Man pays the price for buying illegal lottery tickets

**KUCHING:** A 41-year-old man was fined RM1,000 in default two weeks in jail by the Magistrates' Court here yesterday for purchasing illegal lottery tickets using his mobile phone.

Chok Lim Fong pleaded guilty before Magistrate Mason Jaro Lenya Barayan after being charged under Section 9(1) of the Common Gaming Houses Act 1953, which carries a fine of up to RM5,000 or imprisonment for up to six months, or both, upon conviction.

Chok committed the offence at a premises along Jalan Matang-Batu Kawa here at around 3pm on June 3, 2025.

According to the facts of the case, a police team conducted a check on Chok, who was seated at the premises' counter table at the time.

Upon inspection, the mobile phone handed over by the accused was found to contain elements believed to be related to illegal public lottery sales.

Police subsequently arrested Chok and seized the mobile device, along with a piece of paper containing illegal lottery numbers and RM30 in cash.

An analysis confirmed that the seized items comprised a complete set of public lottery numbers, indicating that a purchase had been made.

Prosecuting was Insp Nur Shafiqah Nyaie Ilin, while Chok was unrepresented.