

Court fines duo RM800 each for gambling in public place

MIRI: Two women were each fined RM800 in default two weeks' imprisonment by the Magistrates' Court here yesterday for gambling in public place.

Magistrate Randu Rangen meted out the fine after Priscilla Audrey Elbert Georocin, 27, of Taman Tunku, and Natasha Abdullah, 20, of Kampung Lereng Bukit each pleaded guilty to a charge under Section 7(2) of the Common Gaming Houses Act 1953.

Priscilla committed the offence on Feb 3 at around 1.20pm at an unnumbered house in Tudan, while Natasha committed the offence on the same date at around 4.30pm at an unnumbered shop at Jalan Sejahtera Utama, Tudan.

In pleading for leniency, the duo informed the court that it was their first offence.

Deputy public prosecutor Muhamad Ali Hussain prosecuted the case, while both accused were not represented.