

# Man fined RM100,000 for trading diesel without licence

**SIBU:** A man was fined RM100,000 in default 10 months' imprisonment by the Sessions Court here yesterday for illegally trading diesel without a licence two years ago.

Judge Musyiri Peet imposed the fine after the 47-year-old accused pleaded guilty to a charge under Section 21 of the Control of Goods Act 1961, punishable under Section 22(1) of the same Act, which provides for a fine of up to RM1 million or imprisonment of up to three years, or both.

The accused paid the fine. According to the facts of the case, enforcement officers conducted an operation at an unmarked warehouse on Jalan Tanjung Kunyit here at about 8.50am on Jan 16, 2024.

During the operation, authorities

discovered approximately 38,000 litres of diesel fuel stored in a tanker truck and related storage equipment at the premises.

Further investigations revealed that the accused was involved in trading diesel, either wholesale or retail, without a valid permit or licence.

Various items were seized during the raid, including the diesel fuel, a tanker truck, multiple oil storage tanks, pumps, and pipelines.

Investigations by the Sibul branch of the Ministry of Domestic Trade and Living Costs (KPDN) confirmed the accused did not possess any valid licence or permit to store or trade the controlled goods.

The prosecution was conducted by Dr Jong Jee Leong from KPDN Sarawak.