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Lorry driver gets 12 years, five strokes for store robberies

KUCHING: A lorry driver was sentenced to a total of 12 years in jail and ordered to be given five strokes of the cane after he pleaded guilty to two counts of robbery in the Sessions Courts here yesterday.

Mohd Amin Abdullah, 30, made the pleas before judges Musli Ab Hamid and Mohd Taufik Mohd @ Mohd Yusoff in separate proceedings.

Both charges were framed under Section 392 of the Penal

Code.

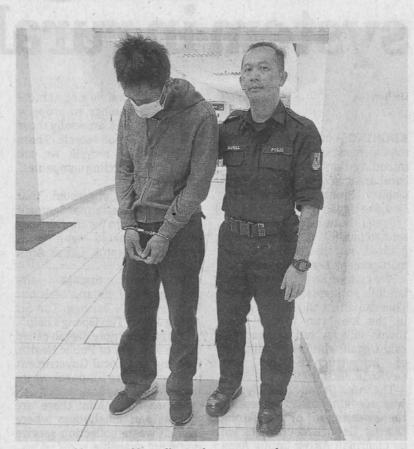
In the first case, Judge Musli sentenced the accused to seven years in jail and three strokes of the cane for robbing a convenience shop at Jalan Lapangan Terbang at around 7.15am on March 18 this year.

In the incident, Mohd Amin made off with RM226 and a mobile phone belonging to a

store worker.

In the second case, Judge Mohd Taufik sentenced the accused to five years in jail and two strokes of the cane for robbing a convenience shop at Sungai Maong Lama at around 12.05am on March 21.

Mohd Amin was arrested on March 21 following police reports



The accused is escorted by police at the court complex.

lodged over the two incidents.

Deputy public prosecutors Iezzah Iburdanisha Ibrahim and Danial Mohamad Ali prosecuted the cases, while the accused was unrepresented by legal counsel.