

Jobless man fined RM3,500 for criminal trespass, stealing from house compound

KUCHING: The Magistrates' Court here yesterday fined an unemployed man a total of RM3,500 in default eight months in jail for trespassing into a house and committing theft.

Magistrate Zaiton Anuar convicted Mohd Syafiq Wahad, 25, on his own guilty plea to two charges framed under Section 447 and Section 379 of the Penal

Code.

On the first charge of criminal trespass under Section 447, the accused was fined RM1,500 in default three months' jail, while on the second charge of theft under Section 379, he was fined RM2,000 in default five months in jail.

Both offences were committed on June 18 this year at around

1am, at a house in Kampung Semariang Batu, Petra Jaya here.

The brief facts of the case stated that the house owner was viewing his closed-circuit television (CCTV) camera when he saw Mohd Syafiq entering his house compound and stealing a pair of black school shoes and an extension cord kept there.

The accused was arrested on June 22 following a police report filed by the house owner.

Further investigation revealed that the accused was still in possession of the stolen shoes but had sold the extension cord to an unknown individual.

ASP Rogayah Rosli prosecuted, while Mohd Syafiq was unrepresented.