

Man fined RM1,000 for buying illegal lottery ticket

KUCHING: A magistrates' court here yesterday fined a 27-year-old man RM1,000 in default three weeks in jail for buying illegal lottery ticket.

Christopher Antas pleaded guilty before Magistrate Syarifah Fatimah Azura Wan Ali for a charge framed under Section 9(1)

of the Common Gaming Houses Act 1953.

The section provides for a fine not exceeding RM5,000, or up to six months in jail, or both, upon conviction.

The offence was committed at a convenience store in Mile 12, Kuching Serian road here at

1.45pm on Feb 1.

According to the facts of the case, a police team raided the premises and detained Christopher on suspicion of being involved in illegal lottery activity.

The police also seized a mobile phone containing digits believed to be illegal lottery numbers and

RM74.

An expert later confirmed that the mobile phone contained a complete transaction of illegal lottery numbers purchase.

Insp Mohd Adzmei Ahmad prosecuted the case while Christopher was unrepresented by counsel.