

Meth possession lands Indonesian man seven months behind bars

MIRI: The Magistrates' Court here yesterday sentenced an Indonesian man to seven months' jail for possessing illegal narcotics.

Magistrate Ashok Linggam imposed the sentence after Rifqi Rama Nanda, 22, entered a plea of guilty to a charge under Section 12(2) of the Dangerous Drugs Act 1952, punishable under Section 12(3) of the same Act.

The Section provides for a fine not exceeding RM100,000 or imprisonment for up to five years, or both, upon conviction.

The court also ordered the

accused to be referred to the Immigration Department for further action upon the completion of his custodial sentence.

Based on the facts of the case, Rifqi was arrested after he was found in possession of 0.19 grammes of methamphetamine in a budget hotel room along Jalan Duranta here at about 1.55am on March 19, 2026.

The prosecution was handled by deputy public prosecutor Mohammad Syafiq Samry, while the accused was unrepresented by counsel.