

Repeat offender jailed five years for abusing drugs

SIBU: A man, 40, with previous convictions for drug abuse was jailed five years by the Sessions Court in Kapit on Tuesday for abusing drugs.

Edwin, who was unrepresented, pleaded guilty to the charge framed under Section 15(1)(a) of the Dangerous Drugs Act 1952 and punishable under Section 39C(1) of the same Act, which provides for not less than five years' jail and

not exceeding seven years, and with whipping of not more than three strokes.

Judge Marutin Pagan also ordered the accused to be given two strokes of the cane and placed under three years of supervision upon his release from prison.

Based on the facts of the case, Edwin was found amphetamine and methamphetamine-positive

through a urine test conducted at 5.20pm on June 21, 2021 at the Kapit Narcotics Criminal Investigation Division office.

He had four previous convictions under the same offence.

In a separate case, Abdul Malek Mohamad Ali, 32, was also sentenced to five years' jail and two strokes of the cane after he pleaded guilty to abusing drugs.

Abdul Malek, who was unrepresented, was previously put under three years of supervision after serving his jail sentence.

Based on the charge sheet, he was found positive for amphetamine and methamphetamine at the Kapit Narcotics Criminal Investigation Division office through a urine test conducted at about 2.30pm on Jan 22, 2022.