

# Jobless man jailed 6 months for disposing of stolen vehicle parts

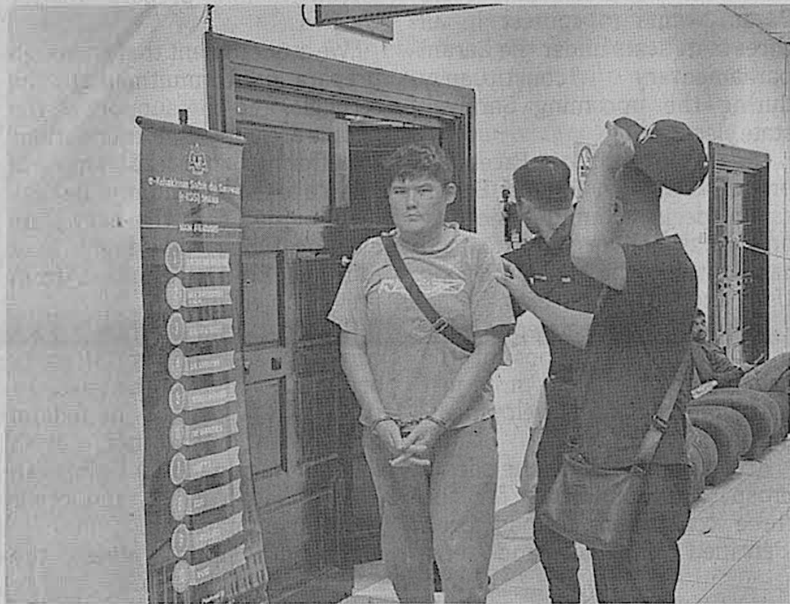
**KUCHING:** A jobless man was sentenced to six months' jail and fined RM3,000 in default four months' jail after pleading guilty in separate Magistrates' Courts here yesterday to disposing of stolen vehicle components.

Chang Li Ngee, 34, entered the pleas after the two charges under Section 414 of the Penal Code were read to him before magistrates Nureina Syafika Mohd Najib and Ling Hui Chuan.

The Section provides for up to seven years' imprisonment or a fine, or both, upon conviction.

He committed the offences at a recycling centre on Jalan Stephen Yong at about 3.58pm on Sept 5 this year, and at another recycling facility on Jalan Matang at about 3.30pm on Sept 29.

According to the facts of the case, a mechanic lodged a police report on Sept 29 after discovering two brake drums, a long shaft from different commercial trucks, and a tyre rim and tyre from a sport utility vehicle missing from his workshop in Kampung Sungai Rayu Iban, Jalan Matang.



Chang is led away after sentencing.

The open-sided workshop, which had no walls, was located beside the complainant's house.

At the time of the incident, the complainant had returned home for his lunch break.

Police arrested Chang on Oct 19 and discovered that he had disposed of the reported missing items by selling them to the two

recycling centres.

Sales receipts dated Sept 5 and Sept 29 were also obtained from the centres.

Deputy public prosecutors Muhammad Aidil Akmal Sharidan and Ahmad Fauzulutfi Suriani appeared separately for the prosecution, while Chang was unrepresented.