

RM23,278 worth of exhibits destroyed: Ministry

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Mohamad and his team destroying some of the exhibits.

SANDAKAN: The District Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Ministry (KPDNHEP) destroyed a total of 1,855 units of exhibits worth RM23,278 on Tuesday.

Its Chairman Mohamad Hashim said the disposal involved all exhibits for cases settled in 2019 of a total compound value at RM15,000.

"Among the exhibits are 1,501 units of bags, purses, shoes, slippers, trousers, clothing, hats, belts, spectacles and fake designer watches and 354 units of unlabelled optical discs," he said at a press conference at the Sandakan KPDNHEP Meeting Room.

According to Mohamad Hashim all of the items were seized from five premises around Sandakan, all of the owners were investigated under Section 8 (2)(c) of the Trade Descriptions Act 2011 and Order 4 (4) (a) of the Trade Order 2010.

Meanwhile, he said from Jan to Mar this year, Sandakan KPDNHEP had inspected a total of 1,267 premises and 88 cases had been lead to seizure worth RM58,532.19 involving RM11,650 compound.

Mohamad also said that KPDNHEP would carry out "Ops Jeriji" to counter the widespread sale of counterfeit goods where KPDNHEP would arrest the offender and hand them over to the police to be remanded and prosecuted.

"KPDNHEP will no longer issue compound to offenders but instead, stern action will taken, which means that the offender will be arrested and remanded by the police for prosecution," he said.