

Three detained in raid against illegal sale of subsidised LPG

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KUALA LUMPUR: A total of 4,632kg subsidised liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) was seized following a raid at a premises in Bukit OUG Industrial Business Park here.

Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Ministry (KPDNHEP) enforcement officers seized the LPG, which was stored in 12kg, 14kg and 50kg gas cylinders along with a two-tonne lorry and various invoices marking the sales of the subsidised items.

Selangor KPDNHEP director Muhamad Zikril Azan Abdullah said in the raid conducted at about 5pm on Wednesday (Sept 18), three men, including the owner of the premises, were detained to assist investigations.

"We believe the company has been storing the subsidised LPG illegally and marketing it in Klang Valley.

"The items seized are worth a total of RM58,688," he said.

The case is classified under Section 20(1) of the Control of Supplies Act 1961, he added.

The ministry would continue to take necessary action against any company involved in this illegal activity, as leakage in the supply of subsidised items was a very serious offence, Muhamad Zikril said.

"Businesses involved in the LPG sector must adhere to the law, including ensuring they have legitimate licenses.

"We will also step up our enforcement operations to ensure that all subsidised items are sufficient for the people," he said.