

Sweet bust: Batu Pahat warehouse raid finds 1,000 tonnes of sugar above allowed limit

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Johor Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Ministry officers during the raid on the warehouse in Batu Pahat on Oct 31, 2019.

JOHOR BARU: A sugar warehouse in Batu Pahat's Sri Gading Industrial Area was raided by the Johor Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Ministry (KPDNHEP) last Thursday (Oct 31) for storing sugar exceeding the allowed limit.

The investigation revealed that the warehouse was storing an excess of 1,000 metric tonnes of sugar worth RM2.45mil.

The raid was conducted after a week of surveillance on the warehouse that had a license to store 2,000 metric tonnes of sugar.

State KPDNHEP director Mohd Hairul Anuar Bohro said this was the largest seizure made this year.

"The warehouse had been operating for the past 10 years and had a license to store 2,000 metric tonnes of sugar. "However, we have found an additional 1,000 metric tonnes of sugar stored.

"We have confiscated the excess sugar for further investigation under the Control of Supplies Act 1961 and Control of Supplies Regulations 1974," he said.

He said this at a press conference at the state KPDNHEP office at Menara Ansar here on Sunday (Nov 3). He added that no arrests were made and that the investigation is still ongoing.

Mohd Hairul also said that the warehouse also had no previous case under the same offence.

He said that the sugar was being supplied to locations in Johor, Melaka and Kedah.

He added that this was a serious matter as the offence could disrupt market supply.

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