

KPDNHEP, marine police seize 1,300 litres of diesel worth RM2,834

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KPDNHEP Kuching enforcement team and marine police with the confiscated lorry carrying the controlled items.

KUCHING: The Ministry of Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs (KPDNHEP) enforcement team alongside marine police confiscated 1,300 litres of diesel worth RM2,834 from a lorry over alleged illegal handling of the controlled item.

Head of enforcement section for Sarawak Mohd Hanizam Kechek said the seizure was made during an operation conducted at 3.30pm in Bintawa here yesterday.

"The marine police seized the lorry, which was later brought to Region 5 Marine Police Force headquarters here for further inspection, where it was found was carrying 1,300 litres of diesel worth RM2,834.

"The case has handed over to KPDNHEP Kuching for further investigations," Hanizam said in a statement today.

Initial investigations by the ministry's enforcement team revealed that the driver of the lorry did not possess arcense or special permission to handle the controlled item.

The case is currently investigated under Section 21 of the Control of Supplies Act 1961 and Regulation 3 (1) of the Control of Supplies Regulation 1974, which carries a penalty of not more than RM1 million for each offense or imprisonment of not more than 3 years of both if the individual is found guilty.

Under the same Act and Regulation, a company will be penalised with not more than RM3 million for every offense.

"KPDNHEP Sarawak will continue to monitor and conduct inspections from time to time to ensure that there are no embezzlement of controlled items," Hanizam said.

