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**BUKIT AMAN CONDUCTS OPERATIONS FOR
TERRORISTS IN CYBERJAYA**

CYBERJAYA, Aug 9 (Bernama) -- The Royal Malaysian Police (PDRM) today shifted their focus to the Neo Cyber area, here, in an effort to hunt down foreigners suspected to have terrorist connection after a similar operation was conducted at Masjid India, Kuala Lumpur two days ago.

Bukit Aman Special Branch Counter Terrorism Division assistant director Datuk Ayob Khan Mydin Pitchay said the operation which started at 9.30 pm was carried out ahead of the Kuala Lumpur 2017 SEA Games to ensure the Games ran smoothly.

"We have chosen this area because there are many Arabs such as Syrians, Iraqians and Africans who are likely to have links with foreign terrorist fighters," he told reporters during the operation.

He added that those with suspicious identities would be taken to the Sepang District Police Headquarters and checks would be made with Interpol data and the Immigration Department to ensure they were not listed as terrorists.

He said 200 officers and staff from the Bomb Disposal Unit (UPB), the Immigration Department and the National Registration Department (JPN) were involved in the operation.

The Atomic Energy Licensing Board (AELB) also rendered their support by lending their personal radiation detectors (PRD) to search for nuclear and radioactive materials in the operation, he added.

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COPS NOW ARMED WITH RADIOACTIVE DETECTING DEVICES



Hamrah showing the pager-sized device

CYBERJAYA: Policemen are now armed with radioactive detecting devices as the crackdown on foreign terrorist elements continues ahead of the SEA Games.

Another massive coordinated swoop at areas with high concentration of Middle Eastern migrants that started at around 9pm Wednesday saw hundreds of foreigners being rounded up.

Bukit Aman Special Branch Counter-Terrorism Division head Deputy Comm Datuk Ayob Khan said this was the first time the police were using such devices in conducting the security operations.

"Before this we would not know if we entered a premise that had radioactive material, but with these devices my men will not be exposed," he said when met during the raid.

He said that three types of devices of varying sizes and sensitivity were used.

The smallest is the size of a pager, along with a slightly bigger sized handheld device while the biggest and most sensitive can be carried as a backpack, he said.

Atomic Energy Licensing Board director-general Hamrah Mohd Ali, whose agency provide the devices, said the devices can detect gamma rays and neutron rays.

"These devices called RadEye will also be used during the SEA Games to detect any possible elements of radioactive materials," he said.

A total of eight backpack-sized, eight handhelds and 95 pager-sized devices have been provided to the police, said DCP Ayob.

The raid had police personnel from various departments, immigration, and other relevant agencies coordinating closely.

It saw doors being broken down, policemen entering every shop and house and checking every person.

Many foreigners, both with and without proper documents, were rounded up. Some who resisted were subdued quickly.

"We will bring them all to Sepang police headquarters to check them through our and Interpol's foreign terrorist fighters database," he said.

Asked if such tactics were excessive, DCP Ayob said they were necessary to use.

"We have to take proactive measures as these people are from high risk countries in the Middle East like Syria and Yemen," he said.



<https://www.nst.com.my/news/crime-courts/2017/08/265960/hunt-foreign-terrorist-fighters-continues-raids-also-focusing>

HUNT FOR FOREIGN TERRORISTS FIGHTERS CONTINUES WITH RAIDS ALSO FOCUSING ON POSSIBLE RADIOACTIVE THREATS

CYBERJAYA: Counter-terrorism operatives mounted its second round of raids last night to smoke out possible foreign terrorist fighters (FTF) who could be hiding in the country.

This time, the operatives from Bukit Aman's Counter-Terrorism Division (E8) took it a notch up, bringing along with them Personal Radiation devices (PRD) to detect radioactive materials.

Its chief Datuk Ayob Khan Mydin Pitchay who led the raid said the devices used in the massive operations last night were also useful to his men as they had in the past entered target areas at the risk of being exposed to radioactive materials.

"With the devices we would be able to detect radioactive materials beforehand and retreat to call in specialists to neutralise the area," he said.

Ayob said PRD or the RadEye would also be used during the upcoming Sea Games to detect possible terror elements involving the use of radioactive materials.

Atomic Energy Licensing Board (AELB) director-general Hamrah Mohd Ali said a total of 95 PRD, 8 radiation backpacks and 8 hand held identifiers would be used by the police during the games.

The PRD, costing about 5,000€ (RM25,173) each is a sensitive device that could detect radiation within a 50-metre radius, and that those packed in backpacks could be used to scan larger areas.

"Policemen and AELB officers who are trained to use the devices will be deployed to event venues, officials' accommodations and airports, to detect possible threats," he said adding that x-ray machines would also be used to check for weapons.

During the operations, the police's E8, along with Internal Security and Public Order Department, forensics, the K9 unit, Special Action (UTK) and Bomb Disposal units were deployed to Neo Cyber, a commercial area here. The raids started at 9pm.

The police team were also joined by personnel from AELB as well as the Immigration and National Registration departments.

Ayob said the operation targeted Cyberjaya as there were possibilities of the presence of FTFs from Syria and Iraq.

More than 100 foreigners especially from "high-risk" countries such including Syria and Iraq were rounded up and taken to Sepang district police station for screening.

"We will go through the database to ensure that they are not in the wanted list of FTFs that we are tracking down," Ayob told reporters when met at the operation.

The operation saw doors being broken down, policemen entering shops and shophouses being checked.

The team also conducted checks on passing cars to make sure they did not miss any foreigners.

It reported that authorities believed that at least 16 FTFs deported from Turkey in recent months, could be hiding in the country.



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TENTERA MAYA UPKO BERSEDIA HADAPI PRU-14

PENAMPANG, 9 Ogos (Bernama) -- Pertubuhan Pasokmomoogun Kadazandusun Murut Bersatu (Upko) kini memiliki pasukan 'tentera maya' yang berkemampuan menyerang dan menangkis segala tohmahan parti pembangkang pada Pilihan Raya Umur ke-14 (PRU-14)

Presidennya Datuk Seri Wilfred Madius Tangau berkata pasukan tentera maya berkenaan akan dilengkapi dengan maklumat dan data tepat bagi membolehkannya menjawab segala fitnah, pembohongan dan tohmahan terhadap kerajaan serta parti.

Beliau yang juga Menteri Sains, Teknologi dan Inovasi berkata, antara punca kekalahan calon Barisan Nasional (BN) dari Upko di Penampang pada pilihan raya lalu berpunca daripada ketidak mampuan jentera parti itu menyerang dan membalas serangan pembangkang menerusi media maya.

"Kalau dahulu, apabila diserang kita terduduk sahaja, pelbagai tohmahan, pembohongan dan fitnah dibuat dan kita tidak mampu membalasnya. Kita tidak mempunyai tentera maya seperti dimiliki pembangkang.

"Kali ini kita ada dan kita sudah bekerja sekian lama. Kita ada Biro Multimedia dan Komunikasi, " katanya kepada pemberita ketika ditemui pada majlis Makan Malam Ulang Tahun Upko Ke-23 di Pusat Kebudayaan Sabah di sini, malam tadi.

Mengenai kombinasi parti komponen BN di Penampang untuk menghadapi PRU-14 akan datang, Madius berkata, kombinasi parti komponen di kawasan berkenaan kini pada tahap terbaik.

Katanya Upko Penampang dan bahagian parti itu di seluruh negara akan bekerja sebagai satu pasukan dengan parti komponen BN lain bagi memastikan kemenangan memihak kepada BN.

Mengenai calon yang bakal diketengahkan parti itu pada PRU-14, beliau berkata, Upko sudah ada calon dan mereka adalah calon terbaik.

Mengenai 13 kerusi tambahan untuk Dewan Undangan Negeri di Sabah, Madius berkata, Upko hanya akan meminta kerusi yang parti itu yakin ada kekuatan untuk memenangkan BN di kawasan berkenaan.

"Buat apa kita bertanding di satu-satu kerusi tetapi lepas itu kalah, "katanya.

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