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## Single mom fined RM1,500 for having nospan

**KUCHING:** A single mother was sentenced to a fine of RM1,500 or three months' imprisonment in default by the Sessions Court here on Thursday for possessing 518.62 grammes of dextromethorphan, also known as nospan.

Judge Afidah Abdul Rahman sentenced Norsiah, 48, on her own guilty plea to a charge framed under Section 9(1) of the Poisons Act 1952 and punishable under Section 32(2) of the same act.

The mother of one was charged with possession of dextromethorphan weighing at 518.62 grammes without permission according to the Poisons Act 1952 in her residence at Kampung Gita around 3.35 pm on July 15, 2021.

The Section provides for a fine of not more than RM3,000 or imprisonment of not more than one year or both.

According to the facts of the case, a team from the Sarawak IPK Narcotics Crime Investigation Department raided a house at Kampung Gita on July 15 last year because of suspected drug activity.

As a result of the inspection, the police found a pink zippered bag containing two packs of plastic bags containing 300 pills and 230 pills respectively, which believed to be nospan pills.

In addition, the police also found a brown box containing 3,000 pills believed to be nospan pills.

During the inspection, the accused was detained for further investigation.

The case goods were sent to the Department of Chemistry Malaysia and the report confirmed that they were nospan pills weighing 518.62 grammes.

Therefore, the accused was found to have committed an offence under Section 9(1) of the Poisons Act 1952.

The prosecution of the case was handled by Deputy Public Prosecutor Mohamad Aiman Mutallib Mohamad Shariff while the accused was not represented by a lawyer.