

194 students took drugs

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URINE tests were carried out at 159 schools in Perak last year and 194 students tested positive for drugs, reported *Sinar Harian*.

The National Anti-Drug Agency in Perak said drugs consumed by the students included opiates, cannabis and methamphetamine.

Most of them were influenced by their friends, said the agency's state assistant director enforcement Nur Alisa Ali Am.

"Once addicted, they start to crave for a daily fix and will use all means to get it.

"Some even resorted to pushing drugs themselves so that they can easily get supplies," she said in a four-page focus piece on the drug menace.

Nur Alisa urged addicted students to seek rehabilitation at the Cure and Care Service Centre in Batu Gajah, Ipoh, Kampar or Tapah.

> Environmental activist Puan Sri Shariffa Sabrina Syed Akil has been arrested again, this time for her involvement in an orang asli cause in Kelantan, *Kosmo!* reported.

The 54-year-old president of Pertubuhan Pelindungan Khazanah Alam Malaysia (Peka)

was detained by the Kelantan Forestry Department after handing out food in Kampung Tembaga, Pos Gob, on Sunday.

Shariffa and three others from an orang asli NGO were detained at 6.30pm and were brought to the Gua Musang police headquarters to give their statements, according to a police spokesman.

"We are not doing anything against the law," Shariffa said, adding that she did not know the reason for the arrest.

Kelantan Forestry Department director Zahari Ibrahim said anyone who wanted to enter the forest reserve in Gua Musang must apply for a permit.

Trespassers, he said, would be investigated under the National Forestry Act (1984).

Since late last year, the orang asli had constructed a blockade against loggers in Gua Musang, before being destroyed by Kelantan forestry officials in January.

Peka has been giving aid by delivering essentials such as rice, cooking oil, salt and vegetables to the orang asli.



Activist in trouble: Shariffa has been detained after handing out food to villagers.