PDEA SHUTS DOWN ILOILO DRUG DEN

The Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) shut down a drug den and arrested its owner and customers during an entrapment operation in Iloilo City on March 13, 2016.

PDEA Director General Undersecretary Arturo G. Cacdac, Jr. said the owner of the illegal drug facility, identified as Carlito Siva Jr., alias Onyok, 19 years old, was nabbed during the buy-bust operation.

At around 5:00 in the afternoon, operatives of PDEA Regional Office 6 (PDEA RO6) under Director Paul Ledesma arrested Siva after he sold methamphetamine hydrochloride, or shabu, to a poseur-buyer in his own residence which doubles as a drug den in Barangay Desamparados, Iloilo City.

Siva’s cohorts identified as Joysie Sumilig Jr., 22; his 15-year-old brother; Roy Fabriga Actub, alias Tata, 37, were also arrested during the operation.

Suspected customers of the den identified as Nory Yulas, alias Apan, 25; Franz Daryll Celestial, 18; Christopher Formalidad, alias Tope, 29; and Noli Gamuzaran, alias Makbot, 28, who were inside the house when the operation was conducted, were also taken into custody.
Confiscated inside were 21 plastic sachets of suspected shabu weighing more or less 2.5 grams worth P15,000 and various drug paraphernalia.

Siva, the Sumiligs and Actub will be facing charges for violation of Section 5 (Sale of Dangerous Drugs), Article II of Republic Act 9165, or the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002. Additional cases for violation of Section 6 (Maintenance of Drug Den), Section 11 (Possession of Dangerous Drugs), and Section 12 (Possession of Paraphernalia), of the anti-drug law, also await Siva, while Yulas, Celestial, Formalidad and Gamuzaran will be charged for violation of Section 7 (Visitors of a Drug Den).

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