



Mr. Revin Kumar (far left) and Dato' Geethan Ram (far right) with Thevadran

## Prosecution failed to prove a *prima facie* case for trafficking 117 grammes of Heroin and Monoacetylmorphines

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Thevadran was all smiles as he walked out of courtroom today, having been acquitted and discharged by the High Court at the end of Prosecution's case.

Thevadran A/L Mayalagan was discharged and acquitted by Yang Arif Norliza Binti Othman at the end of Prosecution's case without his defence being called.

The High Court judge held that the exclusiveness of access to the car where the drugs were found was not proved. The Judge went on further and stated that the prosecution has failed to prove that the Accused has control and/or custody and/or knowledge of the drugs.

The Accused was arrested on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2020 in a parking lot in front of a coffee shop in Klang. He was charged under Section 39B(1)(a) of the Dangerous Drugs Act 1952, for trafficking 117 grammes of heroin and Monoacetylmorphines. 5 prosecution witnesses were called to testify in this case.

At the end of the Prosecution's case, the Defence submitted that the prosecution has failed to prove the element of possession and knowledge. The defence counsel also argued that there was a doubt in relation to the identity of drugs exhibits due to a break in the chain of evidence. Dato' Geethan also highlighted the fact that the charge was defective in this case.

The Accused was represented by Dato' Geethan Ram Vincent and Mr. Revin Kumar.