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**IPOH:** Police have detained a 41-year-old local man suspected of forging honorary awards and ceremonial titles in a special undercover operation, "Ops Puyuh", at a house in Taman Banjar Jaya, Teluk Intan.

Hilir Perak district police chief ACP Dr Bakri Zainal Abidin said the arrest on Thursday followed intelligence work and monitoring by the district Commercial Crime Investigation Division (CCID).

"The suspect is believed to have been involved in the forgery of honorary titles as well as falsifying Malaysian ex-police association documents to deceive certain parties.

"During initial questioning, the suspect

admitted to being involved in the forgery of honorary titles and official documents. The case is still being investigated by CCID officers," he said in a statement.

Police also seized several forged documents, including award certificates, papers granting permission to use ceremonial titles, insignia, membership cards and photographs showing the suspect in ceremonial attire with multiple fake honours.

A car bearing stickers and unrecognised emblems, a mobile phone and a SIM card believed to have been used for impersonation were also confiscated.

The case is being investigated under Section 3 of the Awards Act 2017, which

provides penalties for the issuance or using of unauthorised honorary awards.

In another case, Bakri said police detained eight local men, aged 17 to 44, and seized more than 220 cryptocurrency mining machines during special operations targeting illegal mining activities in residential areas around Teluk Intan between Nov 5 and 11.

The operations, conducted by the district D7 unit in cooperation with Tenaga Nasional Berhad and CyberSecurity Malaysia, also resulted in the confiscation of modems, TP-Link devices and computer accessories used to support the illegal mining activities.

The case is being investigated under Section 427 of the Penal Code for mischief and

Section 37 of the Electricity Supply Act 1990 for unauthorised use of electricity.

Bakri added that the district Narcotics Crime Investigation Division seized drugs worth RM628,572 between January and October.

The largest seizures included 8.75kg of heroin worth RM437,557 and 2.36g of cannabis worth RM118,460, alongside methamphetamine, erimin, ketamine, ecstasy and mitragynine in various forms.

"These seizures demonstrate the effectiveness of enforcement operations, including intelligence work, raids and coordinated monitoring with relevant agencies." – Bernama