

# Senario comedian cautioned for late court appearance

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**KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs:** *Senario* comedian Yassin Yahya was cautioned by a magistrate today for failing to turn up for his court appearance.

Yassin, who is out on bail for a drug charge, was not in the court when his case, also involving five other men, was called at 9.25am.

Magistrate Wan Fatimah Zaharah Wan Yussof issued a warrant of arrest but cancelled it when Yassin appeared at 11.55am.

She gave him a warning after accepting his reason for being late.

Yassin and the five are charged with possessing small plastic bags of cannabis weighing 2gm at an apartment in Desa View Tower on Jalan Genting Klang at 6.30pm on Oct 23.

They are also charged with possessing 34 bottles of dark liquid, suspected to be containing drugs, at the same place and time.

Yassin, unemployed Mu-

hammad-Rufaimah Mohd Idrus, 18, odd-job workers Zaharizan Hassan and Norfadli Sahran, both 24, and trader Mohd Nasrun Tahir, 23, claimed trial to both charges.

Another trader, Azhar Alias, 25, pleaded guilty.

Earlier, prosecution officer C/Insp Nadzir Othman applied for the sentencing of Azhar and the trial of the five to be postponed because the Chemistry Department report on the sub-

stances was not ready.

Wan Fatimah also questioned Yassin's bailor, *Senario* manager Mahathir Mohd Sidi, 28, on his absence and was told that Yassin had repeatedly given assurance of his appearance.

She then allowed Nadzir's application for a warrant of arrest without bail.

At 11.55am Yassin, dressed in a black suit and wearing orange canvas shoes, apologised to the court for being late.