

Operatives of the City Police Office's Anti-Drugs Special Operation Task Force led by Sr. Insp. Elmer Solon arrested a suspected shabu pusher and six drug users during a buy-bust operation at a pension house in Sta. Maria last Monday afternoon.

Solon identified those arrested as Amman Samman y Arad, 42, married, of Southcom Village, Upper Calarian, alleged pusher and the users were Kathy Samman y Encarnacion, 27, married of Sta. Maria, Alhisssan Bacundo y Naing, 19, married, of Sta. Maria, Edgar Arcillas y Garcia, 37, married, of Upper Calarian, Mario De Leon y Reynoso, 18, Jayson Torres y Natividad, 36, both of Villa Margarita, San Roque and Rex Paghacian y Lantang, 22, of Dipolog City and working as room boy of the Smile Traveler's Inn where the drug operation was carried out.

Policemen recovered a medium pack, small sachet of shabu and P300 marked money from the possession of Amman.

Police also found a small sachet of shabu from the possession of the six other suspects who were caught sniffing shabu inside a room at the second floor of the Smile Traveler's Inn.

A police report disclosed that a police poseur buyer made a drug deal with Amman Samman after police gathered that he was selling shabu. They agreed transact at the Smile Traveler's Inn in Sta. Maria.

Immediately, Solon formed a team from the AIDSOTF and Intelligence Section and swooped down on the said place.

Right after the exchange of shabu and the marked money, a back-up team entered the room where the transaction was made and collared Amman and the six others who were having shabu session.

The suspects were detained at the central police station while the seized items were turned over to the 9th PNP Crime Laboratory for examination. — Dan Toribio Jr.