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## **HSA NABS 36-YEAR-OLD E-VAPORISER SELLER, MORE THAN \$17,000 WORTH OF E-VAPORISERS AND COMPONENTS SEIZED**

On 12 December 2023, the Health Sciences Authority (HSA) conducted an operation at Choa Chu Kang Avenue 7. A 36-year-old male suspected of selling e-vaporisers via the Telegram platform was caught.

2 HSA had conducted a series of surveillance activities, following a tip-off regarding the alleged sale of e-vaporisers in the vicinity of Choa Chu Kang Avenue 7. HSA then raided the residence of the man suspected of selling e-vaporisers.

3 During the search, HSA officers uncovered more than 1,000 pieces of e-vaporisers and related components, with an estimated street value of over \$17,000. These illicit products have been seized, and the 36-year-old male is currently assisting HSA in its investigations.

4 HSA will not hesitate to take stern enforcement actions on those who conduct illegal activities including the peddling of prohibited e-vaporisers to members of the public.

### **Penalties for such offences in Singapore**

5 HSA would like to remind the public that it is an offence<sup>1</sup> to import, distribute, sell or offer for sale e-vaporisers and their components. Any person convicted of an offence is liable to a fine of up to \$10,000, or imprisonment of up to six months or both for the first offence, and a fine of up to \$20,000, or imprisonment of up to 12 months or both for the second or subsequent offence. All prohibited tobacco items will also be seized and confiscated.

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<sup>1</sup> This offence falls under the Tobacco (Control of Advertisements and Sale) Act.

## **Consumer advisory**

6 Members of the public are reminded that the possession, use or purchase of e-vaporisers is illegal and carries a maximum fine of \$2000. Information pertaining to prohibited tobacco products in Singapore is available on the [HSA website](#) and more details about the harms of e-vaporisers can be found in this [HealthHub article](#).

7 Members of the public who have information on the illegal import, distribution, sale or offer for sale of e-vaporisers can contact HSA's Tobacco Regulation Branch at Tel: 6684 2036 or 6684 2037 during office hours (9:00am to 5:30pm, Monday to Friday).

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### **About the Health Sciences Authority (HSA)**

The Health Sciences Authority (HSA) applies medical, pharmaceutical and scientific expertise through its three professional groups, Health Products Regulation, Blood Services and Applied Sciences, to protect and advance national health and safety. HSA is a multidisciplinary authority. It serves as the national regulator for health products, ensuring they are wisely regulated to meet standards of safety, quality and efficacy. As the national blood service, it is responsible for providing a safe and adequate blood supply. It also applies specialised scientific, forensic, investigative and analytical capabilities in serving the administration of justice. For more details, visit <http://www.hsa.gov.sg/>.

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The Health Products Regulation Group (HPRG) of HSA ensures that medicines, innovative therapeutics, medical devices and health-related products are wisely regulated and meet appropriate safety, quality and efficacy standards. It contributes to the development of biomedical sciences in Singapore by administering a robust, scientific and responsive regulatory framework.

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Assorted e-vaporisers and components uncovered at the suspect's residence.  
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