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642 exotic animals rescued in raid

PASIR PUTEH: Marine police foiled an attempt to smuggle 642 exotic animals from here to Vietnam during Op Khazanah on Friday. A total of 473 tortoises, 43 freshwater turtles, 100 foxes and 26 lizards worth an estimated RM240,000 were held in cages and carriers. Three Vietnamese and a Malaysian were detained in the raid in Kampung Air Tawar near Tok Bali here. Marine Police Third Region commander Assistant Commissioner Norzaid Muhammad Said said a team of 14 marine personnel was deployed to the village after they were tipped off to the smuggling attempt. "When they (marine personnel) arrived at the scene, they saw four men removing cages and plastic containers from a vehicle. They then discovered the animals."