

Five youngsters held for breaking into and stealing from cars in Sharjah

Suspects broke car windows and stole valuables from them

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Sharjah: Police on Sunday arrested a gang of five youngsters who broke into vehicles parked in residential areas and stole valuables from them.

An official at Sharjah Police told Gulf News that the Operations Control Room had received 11 complaints from residents last week about their valuables being stolen from vehicles.

"The thefts took place in different areas last week in the city of Sharjah, Due to the high number of complaints that were lodged in various police stations, police then launched an intensive investigation to identify the suspects and their whereabouts," said the police official.

The windows of the vehicles were broken and the suspects, who are from Pakistan, stole mobile phones, cameras, cash, computers and other valuable items.

Sharjah Police became suspicious of the activity of H.K., a teenager, who was walking around and monitoring the area of Al Ghubaiba.

The suspect was then detained by police and when questioned, confessed that that he had robbed a number of vehicles with the help of his accomplices, who were also from Pakistan.

The suspect's two accomplices, identified as A.A. and A.B.A, were arrested while they were driving around the city with licence plate that belonged to a stolen vehicle. During the interrogation, the two juveniles also confessed that they were involved in the robberies and had also stolen vehicles with the help of two other friends, identified as N.N.A. and S.A.S., who were eventually arrested.

The five-member gang, aged between 15 and 17, had pointed out to police all the different locations in which they stole from.

"When we searched their homes, we found large quantities of watches, mobile phones, laptop computers, video cameras and identification documents, which belonged to the owners of the vehicles that were broken into," said the police official.

The case has been referred to Sharjah Public Prosecution.

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