

One more arrested in Sharjah over claims of magic powers

Man said he had the capacity to solve personal problems and also cure diseases

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Sharjah: Police have arrested another Arab national who is accused of conning people into believing he was able to solve all their personal problems by using magic.

The arrest came after police on Tuesday arrested another Arab man who claimed he could practise magic.

The latest suspect, who lives in Kalba City, wanted his victims to pay him money so that he could supposedly help solve their problems through magic.

Colonel Saif Al Zari, Director of the Sharjah Police, Eastern Region, said that the suspect was using a rented house at Al Tareef area in Kalba city to perform his illegal activities.

"We discovered that the suspect not only claimed to have the ability to perform magic but also claimed to have the ability to cure them of diseases, as well as their psychological problems," Al Zari said.

Illegal activities

"As soon as we received adequate information about the [alleged] fraudster, we raided his house and found a huge quantity of items that were used for magic purposes. We also found Dh1,200 that he claimed belonged to him and that he did not earn from his superstitious activities."

Al Zari urged the public not to believe these types of claims, and to immediately report such people to the police in case the person is engaged in illegal activities.

"People should never believe the claims of such people whose main target in life is to fool others and take their money," Al Zari warned.