IMDB probe: Special task force makes 2nd arrest

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THE special task force probing debt-ridden Malaysia Development Bhd (1MDB) may have made its second arrest on Tuesday, after obtaining a four-day remand for Datuk Shamsul Amor Sulaiman, the MD of Shwan Perdana Sdn Bhd (IPSB).

The 54-year-old medical doctor has been facing questions of a family clinic in Kelana Jaya, Klang, after a magistrate court yesterday morning and held to be in custody after he was investigated under Section 17A of the 2009 Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) Act for accepting bribes. The hearing was connected to a link involved in SRC International Sdn Bhd (SRC) and the 1MDB probe. The MACC has strength reasons to believe Dr Shamsul Amor was bribed in his capacity as 1MDB Foundation’s corporate social responsibility (CSR) director, which IPSB was tasked as MACC’s CSR arm.

"Traces of evidence, which have yet to be fully verified, were obtained through the documents seized from IPSB’s office on July 3," said the media reports, referring to the materials held by the task force on the premises of the oil and gas company.

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