



Crime happens when you least expect it. Get prevention tips from

Ramon blames freed men

‘Those released after repeal of laws could be responsible for rise in crime’

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PETALING JAYA: With the repeal of emergency and preventive detention laws there could be as many as 2,000 former detainees roaming free in Selangor, Tan Sri Ramon Navaratnam said.

The sharp rise in crimes in Selangor recently could be attributed to this,

said Ramon, who is the Selangor chapter adviser of Malaysia Crime Prevention Foundation.

He said there had been an obvious surge in serious crime cases in Selangor despite statistics showing a decline in the overall crime index.

“In Selangor, about 2,000 detainees were released when the laws were repealed,” Ramon said.

He called on the Government and

the police to think out of the box and formulate a new strategy to deal with the situation.

On the recent spike in cases of women being robbed at shopping mall car parks, Ramon said it was the responsibility of the shopping malls’ management to ensure the safety of patrons.

“They must place enough security personnel at various locations in the

mall. If they see a woman walking alone in the car park, they should offer to escort them to their vehicle.

“Let the public judge the safety of our malls and if they find them to be unsafe, please voice it out to the management or shop at other malls.”

Ramon added that ultimately, all the suggested preventive measures would make little difference without the full cooperation of the public.