

MAN LOSES RM72,999 TO LOAN SCAM

39-year-old makes 47 transactions into 14 accounts for RM5,000 loan

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A MAN paid up to RM72,999 to secure a RM5,000 loan before realising he had been duped by a syndicate.

The 39-year-old made 47 bank transactions into 14 accounts since May last year.

Pahang Commercial Crime Investigation Department chief Superintendent Mohd Wazir Mohd

Yusof said the victim came across a money-lending advertisement on Facebook (FB) in May.

"The victim, who is jobless, filled up the required details, and was contacted by a woman who introduced herself as Miss Kriss from EZ Enterprise Moneylender Company.

"Following his discussion with the suspect, the victim agreed to take up a RM5,000 loan," he said yesterday.

Wazir said to get the loan, the victim was asked to make pay-

ments totalling RM72,999 that involved 47 transactions into 14 accounts.

"But until today, the victim has not obtain the loan, and was asked to pay again. The victim lodged a report at the Kuantan police headquarters on Saturday."

Wazir said the case was being investigated under Section 420 of the Penal Code for cheating, which provides for a maximum jail term of 10 years and whipping, and a fine upon conviction.

In a separate case, he said a 32-year-old salesman became RM7,653 poorer when he was cheated by a loan scam syndicate on FB last month.

"The victim met three sus-

pects, who introduced themselves as Jeff, Raymond and Vivian.

"He agreed to take out a loan of RM25,000, but had to make insurance payments and taxes.

"The victim transferred RM7,653 into three different accounts through four transactions from Friday until Saturday before deciding to cancel the loan application," he said.

Wazir said the victim was asked to pay a cancellation fee of 10 per cent of the loan amount, but he refused and asked for a refund.

"He was refused and lodged a report on Saturday. The case is being investigated under Section 420 of the Penal Code."



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