



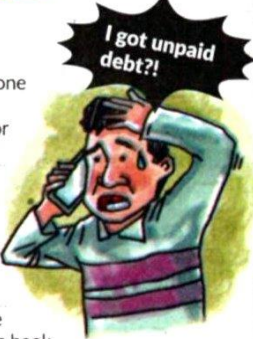
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TOP SCAMS


> MACAU SCAM

- The Macau scam often starts with a phone call from someone pretending to be an officer from a bank, government agency or debt collector.
- The scammer will then claim that the potential victim owes money or has an unpaid fine, often with a very short window of less than an hour to settle the payment, or else they will face "dire consequences".
- These unsuspecting victims will then be asked to make payments to get them off the hook.



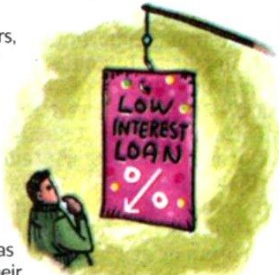
> LOVE SCAM

- Love scam cases begin with the suspect befriending and starting a "relationship" with the victim on social media.
- Over time, the suspect will profess his love for the victim, saying that he wants to come to Malaysia to marry her.
- Upon arrival, he is "arrested" and either he or members of the syndicate will then contact the victim, seeking money for his release.
- Once the money is paid, the suspect will go missing.




> LOAN SCAM

- Claiming to be licensed moneylenders, these conmen entice the desperate or greedy with the promise of low-interest loans.
- These "borrowers" then fork out large sums of money for fake administrative expenses, stamp duties and legal fees.
- These syndicates go online to promote loans at interest rates as low as 0.5% and usually communicate with their victims via WhatsApp.
- Victims who take the bait are tricked into paying exorbitant fees but get no loans in the end.



> PARCEL SCAM

- The suspect will meet and "fall in love" with the victim via social media before saying that he wants to send her a package as proof of his love.
- Someone impersonating a Customs officer or courier company personnel will then contact the victim, demanding money as "tax" or "insurance fee" for the parcel.
- The victim only realises that it is a scam when the promised parcel does not arrive and the syndicate continues to demand more money.



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