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KUANTAN: A secondary school principal in Jerantut lost RM3,000 to a Macau scam syndicate recently.

Pahang Commercial Crime Investigation Department chief Supt Mohd Wazir Mohd Yusof said the 58-year-old woman allegedly paid the money to cancel a purported arrest warrant.

The victim said a man, claiming to be a representative of the bank, contacted her on July 14 at 10am, saying she had outstanding loan repayments.

"The victim who denied having an account at the bank began to believe the suspect when she received a call from the second and third suspects, supposedly a police sergeant and an inspector.

"They claimed the account was also involved in the investigation of a drug case and the victim must provide all her personal

banking information for investigation and to cancel the arrest warrant," he told reporters yesterday.

Mohd Wazir said the victim panicked and promptly followed the suspect's instructions and transferred the money into two bank accounts in Jerantut in the afternoon.

The victim, however, suspected she might have been cheated after the "policeman" asked her to notify him of her movements every two hours via WhatsApp.

The victim, who initially did not make a police report, changed her mind after being harassed by various WhatsApp messages after refusing to comply with the suspect's request for more money.

She eventually lodged a police report at the Jerantut district police headquarters on Monday evening. — Bernama