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SIBU: A woman lodged a police report yesterday after she was cheated of RM29,950.88 when she was asked to deposit the amount into a stranger's bank account.

The case occurred last Friday when a 69-year-old retired nurse surnamed Ngu received a call from an unknown man named Matthew Poon claiming that she had an outstanding credit card payment which needed to be settled promptly.

Although the woman did not owe the sum, she did as was told and deposited it into a given

account under the holder's name Haslina Binti Shafie.

Once money was transferred, the caller could no longer be reached. The victim then realised she had been cheated and lodged a police report.

Sibu police chief ACP Stanley Jonathan Ringgit confirmed the case yesterday and said they were investigating the case under Section 420 of the Penal Code.

There have been such rampant cases and the police have repeatedly advised members of the public against the con.

Meanwhile, in a similar cheating case last Friday, another victim - a man - was conned of RM9,800.

The 61-year-old surname Lau had received a call last Thursday claiming that he has a UOB Visa card debt of RM3,900 and he had to settle it with a penalty fee.

The victim deposited RM9,800 in six transactions to a BSN account. After the deposit, the man was asked to further deposit RM20,000.

The man then sensed something was amiss and lodged a police report.