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**S**IBU: More victims of the fake police officer 'Inspector Khoo' are emerging, as a retired teacher has claimed that he was cheated of RM207,000.

Police Commissioner Datuk Mohd Azman Ahmad Sapri stated that the 73-year-old victim's troubles began when he received a call from an individual while he was at his

home in Jalan Salim on April 27 at approximately 10.40 am.

The suspect introduced himself as an officer from the Health Ministry and informed the victim that he had spread false information about COVID-19.

The line was subsequently transferred to two so-called policemen in Sabah who informed the victim that he was also involved in money laundering.

Following the suspect's advice, the victim opened a bank account on April 18 and registered the phone number of one of the suspects, after which he deposited RM207,000 into the account.

Mohd Azman explained that the victim was told that the money would be returned after it was audited and that he was instructed to contact the suspect daily for updates.

The victim finally realised that he had been scammed when he could no longer contact the suspect on June 11.

The case is currently being investigated under Section 420 of the Penal Code for cheating and dishonestly inducing the delivery of property.

Offenders can face up to 10 years in jail, caning, and fines upon

conviction.

This recent case brings the total number of victims scammed by 'Inspector Khoo' to four. The previous incidents involved a 66-year-old retiree from Miri who lost RM1.2 million, a 55-year-old employee from an IT firm in Bintulu who lost RM1.18 million, and a 63-year-old retired teacher from Kuching who lost RM739,050.