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**SARATOK:** A 28-year-old man will be charged in the Magistrates' Court here next month for allowing his bank account to be used by a third party to receive proceeds from an online loan scam.

Saratok police chief DSP Mathew Manggie said the local suspect admitted during interrogation to being the owner of the bank account used in the fraudulent transactions and to handing over his ATM card to a friend.

"The arrest was made on Nov 24 following a police report lodged by the victim, 49, who claimed losses of RM11,228.84 after falling for a loan offer advertised on Facebook.

"The victim from Kampung Melango here came across the advertisement on Oct 31, 2025 and dealt with a man and woman who are believed to be local individuals," he said in a statement.

He said the victim made four online transfers to several

bank accounts to secure the loan, but became suspicious when he was asked to make another transfer of RM3,000 on Nov 7 to 'activate' a financing account.

"The victim then contacted an officer at his bank and, upon being informed that the transaction was part of a scam, proceeded to file a police report," he added.

Mathew advised the public to remain vigilant and not fall for dubious loan offers, especially

those advertised on social media.

He also reminded the public not to allow third parties to use their bank accounts, as such accounts often end up being used to receive proceeds from scam activities.

The suspect will be charged on Dec 12 under Section 420 of the Penal Code for cheating and dishonestly inducing delivery of property, which provides for between one and 10 years' imprisonment, whipping and possible fine, upon conviction.