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KUALA LUMPUR: Eight Malaysian men and a foreign woman have been arrested on suspicion of being involved in a mule account syndicate.

Brickfields OCPD Asst Comm Amihizam Abdul Shukor said all the suspects aged 22 to 50 were nabbed during a raid on premises in the Klang Valley on Wednesday.

Police seized 11 mobile phones, 14 bank cards, a modem and a router, five company stamps, six SIM cards, money deposit slips and cash in various currencies worth RM1,649.

"This syndicate was responsible for providing banking information of accounts acquired from mule account holders before handing them over to other syndicates.

"The proceeds from the activity would be withdrawn and transferred to other members' accounts through cash deposits.

"All members of this syndicate received a commission of 2% of the amount collected," he said in a statement yesterday, Bernama reported.

The suspects have been remanded until tomorrow.

"Report to the National Scam Response Centre at 997 if you have information about fraud syndicates. For any suspicious activity, contact the nearest police station," ACP Amihizam said.