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KANGAR: Those seeking part-time jobs after retirement are being increasingly targeted by job scam syndicates, as their retirement savings attract the attention of unscrupulous individuals.

Without revealing specific case statistics, Human Resources Ministry Secretary-General Datuk Azman Mohd Yusof said the ministry has identified job scam cases involving this group.

"Sometimes, retirees who have savings and choose to work after retiring at 55 or 60 are exploited by irresponsible parties offering highpaying jobs but demanding advance payments or other fees.

"When they become overconfident or fail to verify the legitimacy of an offer, they end up being deceived," he said yesterday after launching a seminar on how to avoid becoming victims of job scams.

Azman said fraud syndicates use various channels including social media and fake websites advertising lucrative job offers to lure and convince victims.

"Sometimes the information appears legitimate, but in reality, it is not. We fear that without increased awareness, vulnerable groups such as retirees will continue to fall prey. That is why the ministry is taking steps to raise awareness, including through a series of roadshows like today's seminar."

The seminar, organised by the Peninsular Malaysia Labour Department, was attended by over 200 participants, including students, job seekers and members of the public seeking to learn how to identify job scam tactics. – Bernama