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KUANTAN: A 54-year-old school teacher who wanted to purchase a Touch 'n Go (TnG) Smart Tag device worth RM80 ended up losing RM123,350 of his savings to scammers.

The victim from Maran was tricked into providing his online bank account details, giving the scammers access to his bank accounts. Pahang police Chief Datuk Seri Ramli Mohamed Yoosuf said the victim had spotted an advertisement on Facebook on March 14 promoting the Smart Tag device at RM80 each.

“The victim contacted the suspect who impersonated a TnG agent and was provided a link which required him to key-in several particulars for payment purposes. The victim had provided two bank account details but failed to make any payments.

“Some time later, he realised his savings kept in both the bank accounts had been withdrawn and transferred into other unknown accounts through 16 transactions. —