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# Cops going after RM3.8bil money game syndicates

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**KUALA LUMPUR:** Police will be investigating 30 more syndicates that have scammed more than 970,000 people of about RM3.8bil in money games.

Bukit Aman Commercial Crimes Investigation Department director Comm Datuk Amar Singh said police had so far taken action against 13 money game syndicates, which had swindled more than 330,000 people of about RM2bil.

Some of the money game syndicates that police will take action against are MGSB, Roopers Burger, Triggerfx, Pelaburan Feenra Gold and Resources, Pelaburan Saham Myzia Coin and Pelaburan AGR Holdings.

Comm Amar said there had been a 9% increase in commercial crime cases up to November this year.

"About 26,317 cases were reported involving some RM1.4bil in losses," he said.

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Additionally, there was a significant rise in Macau Scam cases with 2,215 reported, compared to 610 last year.

Earlier, Malaysian and Chinese police crippled a syndicate that has scammed victims in both countries of about RM13mil.

Comm Amar said the scammers, who operated in the Hunan and Guangdong provinces in China as well as in Kuala Lumpur, Selangor and Penang, would call up victims and scare them into handing over money via bank transfer.

"This is the first time we've worked together and we conducted the operations simultaneously on Dec 12. We caught 140 suspects in Malaysia and China," he said, adding that 75 were arrested in China.

Comm Amar said the scammers claimed to be from a bank and tricked victims into believing that their accounts were involved in a criminal investigation.



**Costly con jobs:** Comm Amar showing some of the items seized during raids to members of the press in Kuala Lumpur. — Bernama

The anxious victims would then follow the scammers' instructions to deposit funds into a bank account, not knowing it was all a fraud.

"They would use VoIP (voice over Internet protocol) to call the vic-

tims, mostly Chinese nationals," he said, adding that a few Malaysians were also duped.

He said 65 of the Chinese scammers caught in Malaysia had entered the country using tourist

visas and are believed to have been operating for about six months.

"They ran their operations from houses in posh neighbourhoods," he said.

The suspects have been remanded until Dec 26 and will be deported to China. The case is being investigated for cheating.

In its investigations, the team also uncovered an online gambling syndicate which has been operating for about two years at the Kuchai Entrepreneur Park.

Comm Amar said the syndicate would contact interested pundits via social media and add them to a gambling group.

The gamblers would join a game using their own mobile devices.

"The syndicate could make about RM300,000 a month," he said.

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