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**MERSING:** A 60-year-old businessman lost RM600,000 of his savings after being duped by a scammer who impersonated himself as a bank officer, police revealed.

Johor police chief Comm Datuk Kamarul Zaman Mamat said the businessman received a call from an unknown number on Saturday afternoon.

"The suspect told the victim that he was from the bank and that he allegedly owed the bank RM5,000 and demanded immediate payment.

"The suspect then requested the victim to hand over his account details, which the victim did," he told reporters here yesterday.

Comm Datuk Kamarul Zaman added that the suspect only realised he had been duped after noticing that a transaction of RM600,000 was made from his account to an unknown account.

He said police were investigating the case under Section 420 of the Penal Code for cheating.