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ALOR SETAR: A 73-year-old retired teacher lost RM73,000 to a Macau Scam syndicate last month.

The woman from Bedong near Sungai Petani received a telephone call from a man who introduced himself as a police officer from Kota Kinabalu, said Kedah Commercial Crime Investigation Department head Supt. Annuar Amri Abd Muluf.

The caller told the woman she was found to be involved in money-laundering activities and the money in her bank account

would be frozen.

“The victim was given a bank account number and asked to transfer her money there to avoid it being frozen.

“Because she was shocked and panicked, she followed the instructions and deposited RM10,000 and RM63,000 on May 16 into the bank account provided by the individual,” he said.

Supt Annuar Amri said the next day, the victim tried to contact the man but failed to reach him. — Bernama