

Job scammer pleads guilty

KUCHING: A Selangor woman was fined RM2,000 in default one week jail by the Magistrates' court here yesterday for unlawful possession of RM3,000 in her bank account.

Magistrate Zubaidah Sharkawi meted out the sentence against 28-year-old Siti Maryam Mohd on her own guilty plea for a charge framed under Section 37(1) of the Minor Offences Ordinance Sarawak 1958.

The indictment carries a penalty, imprisonment for three months or a fine of RM500 upon conviction.

The woman committed the

offence May 9 this year around 3pm at a bank located near Jalan Rock here.

Based on the facts of the case, the victim who was the complainant in this case, saw a job advertisement as an agent for online shopping.

The complainant was interested in applying for the job and dealt with an individual named 'Jessie Ng' on WhatsApp who promised her attractive returns.

She was given a link for the job registration and a task where she had to screen capture the photos

of products and make payments based on the products' price to an account.

The complainant was also ordered to make a payment of RM3,000 to an account under Siti Maryam Mohd to step up her ranking.

A police report was lodged after the complainant felt that there was something amiss when she did not receive any profit after having made the RM3,000 payment to the said account.

The case was handled by ASP Rogayah Rosli while Siti Maryam was unrepresented.