# **Chapter 3 Business**



# 3.1 Phishing

For many Pakistanis, Dubai might be the first destination outside their country. Mainly because of the proximity to the country. Due to the media and multiple reports from others which compare other countries to Pakistan as better. They might have the impression that it is not possible for the grass to be less greener than Pakistan.

Many newbies people think that since Dubai is very strict, only serious business people shall be present. However, since so many think that, there is the world in which Dubai resides. The world is full of scamming people who want to prey on unsuspecting people like those who get to comfortable with the idea of a safe and secure Dubai and UAE. These scammers come on a visit visa and try to scam people for a few thousand dirhams. The most prevalent method is to act like an investor. Then act like they have to hide their money from other political people back home or some other



lame excuse. Then after a few days or weeks of meetings, when they think that you think they are somewhat "trustworthy". They shall ask for a loan. Depending on how "stupid and gullible and wealth" you look to them, the amount shall match that. It can be a few thousand dirhams to hundreds of thousands. It can sometimes be the black money scam where black blank photocopies are cut up and presented as colored currency notes. Beware,

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the police are able to help. If you are in multiple emirates, then you need to know that if the meetings and events happen in one emirate and the people are caught by the police of another emirate, then the lawyers of the scammers may be able to get some leeway in the laws and would be harder to catch. So if someone approaches you, be careful and get the police on your side. Also if you want to try your acting skills then try to catch them in the same emirate.

Here is an example email. This one I got just today.

## Dear [Your name shall be here]

Thanks for the email and I hope this finds you in good health. What am seeking for which is my thought is to put my fund in your organization and then have like an agreement between you and me that I have given you \$15million for making an Investment for a duration of 5years... I am willing to offer you 15% of the total amount to been the Custodian of the fund and willing to take in my fund and put it into Investment and then another 5% will go for any Upfront Expenses you might



encounter during the cost of trying to establish or put the fund into Investment.

[ See this is the part where the scammer shall expect you to pay for in advance somehow. This is called the advanced fee fraud also. Look it up on the internet]

The remaining 80% will be what you will put into Investment for 5years and then I wish to know what will be my ROI on my 80% Annually for 5years. At the moment the fund is in Tanzania in a Security Vault in Cash, I can make all arrangement on how to move the fund to UAE and take things from there.

I will like this business investment deal to be very confidential between us as you know how we African Politicians loves to keep our investment due to our political opponent not to destroy our name politically, If all goes well between us please be prepared to meet my son who is my heir and my eye.

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I hope to read from you soon.

# Regards

# [Some name here. Most probably a fake name or the name of some popular corrupt politician]

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https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Black\_money\_scam

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/419\_scams



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