

# Important Notice on Ink-Stained Bank Notes

Please be advised not to accept or circulate any ink-stained bank notes.

## What is ink-stained technology?

*Ink-stain technology is used to deter robbery or burglary. In the event of an attempted or actual robbery, the system will stain the bank notes with **indelible** or **permanent security ink** making them unfit for use.*

## What do I need to know about ink-stained bank notes?

- i) Ink-stained bank notes have no value.*
- ii) Ink-stained bank notes are considered stolen and may have been obtained from unlawful activities, for example, robbery.*
- iii) Ink-stained bank notes may be used as evidence in the court of law.*

## What should I do if I come across any ink-stained bank notes?

*If you come across any ink-stained bank notes or suspect that such bank notes have been stolen or obtained in the course of unlawful activities, please lodge a **police report** immediately.*

## How do I identify ink-stained bank notes?

*Ink-stained bank notes can be easily identified visually. Depending on the position of the bank notes in ATMs, such bank notes will have ink stains on their outer edges. The ink is usually **dark green**. Samples of ink-stained Malaysia bank notes:*



For any query on bank notes that are suspected to be from the ink-stain device, you can contact **Bank Negara Malaysia** at:

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