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Dear Community Partners,

CRIME PREVENTION ADVISORY – SNATCH THEFT / ROBBERY

Recently, there had been a spate of Robbery and Snatch Theft cases at Jalan Bukit Merah and Kim Tian housing estates, usually occurring between 4pm and 7am the next day. These cases had taken place along deserted pathways, roads and void decks.

2 The culprit would approach the victims from the front and would grab or push the victims before snatching their valuables, such as jewellery and handbags. He is believed to ply the estates in a dark-coloured bicycle to seek his potential victim.

3 The culprit is described as follows : -
a. Male subject believed to be Chinese ;
b. Donning dark coloured T-shirts, shorts or bermudas and sport shoes ;
c. Aged between 20 and 30 years old ; and
d. About 1.7 m tall.

4 You can avoid being the next victim by adopting the following crime prevention measures:
a. Carry your handbag in front of you or clasp it firmly under your arm with its strap slung across the body;
b. Avoid taking shortcuts through dark alleys or secluded areas;
c. Always be alert and attentive to the surroundings. If you suspect that you are being followed, remain calm and proceed to the nearest business premise, or crowded area;
d. Do not flaunt or expose your cash or mobile phone in the public.

5 Should you be a victim of crime, remain calm and do not resist. Take note of the description of the culprit. This includes his appearance, clothing, height and other physical details. Also note the direction taken by the culprit, his mode of escape and the evidence he may have left behind. Dial '999' as soon as it is safe to do so.

6 Please do not hesitate to contact Bukit Merah East NPC at **1800-2369999** or the police emergency line at **999** if you have any crime information or require any police assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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