

## **Bank Sohar's Biggest Al Mumayaz Winner to Date Receives Ro 100,000 Cheque**

**Muscat, 13 October, 2009:** The winner of Bank Sohar's first monthly Al Mumayaz RO 100,000 jackpot prize Mr.Hamed Rashid Salim Al Shidi has been presented with his winning cheque by the bank's DGM for Retail Banking Mr. Khalfan Al Taley in the presence of His Excellency Shaikh Ali Bin Suliman Al Shibli a member of Al Shura Council-Sohar.

Mr. Al Shidi was also given the honour by Bank Sohar of conducting the 10<sup>th</sup> October branch draw in the ongoing Al Mumayaz Savings Scheme promotion. He and another customer from the Azaiba branch drew out the names of 13 winners from each of Bank Sohar's branches who have won RO 1,000 each.

The draw was held at the Azaiba branch of Bank Sohar and Senior Managers from the bank were present to congratulate the winner on his success.

Bank Sohar is encouraging its customers to get involved in the draw events that are being held at branches all over the country.

The new Al Mumayaz Savings Scheme was launched in August 2009, offering bigger prizes, better chances to win for customers and more winners as it helps to encourage a savings culture within Oman.

The RO 250,000 grand prize is on offer for savers at the end of the year and monthly prizes of RO 100,000 are available from the end of September, October & November. Branch customers are guaranteed chances to win prizes of RO 1000 three times every month on the 10<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. Customers are eligible with two chances of winning when they maintain a minimum average balance of RO 100 in their account.

The 13 branch winners are M. A. A. AL Hadad (MBD Branch), Ibrahim Ahamed Salim AL Balushi (Sohar Branch), Ahmed Abdullah Salim Said AL Jamuodi (Minor –Nizwa Branch), Maan Salim Hulus AL Badi (Minor – Qurum Branch), Salim Khamis Salim AL Jaradi (Seeb Branch), Nasser Khalfan Nasser AL Rawahi (Ibra Branch), Mohammed Khalfan Hidaib AL Rahbi (Azaiba Branch), Habeeb Abdulrahiam AL Hussain (Salalah Branch), Muhammed Boota (Barka Branch), Aisha Ibrahim Khamis ALZaabi (Shinas Branch), Salim Sulaiman Salim AL-Mamari (Suwaiq Branch). Two winners asked for their names to be withheld.

Bank Sohar's DGM Retail Banking Mr.Khalfan Al Taley said: "I am delighted to present Mr. Al Shidi with the cheque for RO 100,000 which he fully deserves as our privileged customer. We are happy for him and congratulate him on this occasion".

"Our new Al Mumayaz Savings Scheme offers our customers from all over Oman more chances to win than ever before. The prizes are attractive and we encourage everyone to take a chance and participate, all they have to do is simply open a new Mumayaz savings account with Bank Sohar today."

He explained that customers need to have a minimum average balance of RO 2,000 in savings account and they could earn two chances for the RO 250,000 mega prize draw on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2009. Every additional RO 2,000 balance that customers have in their account gives them two more chances to enter into the draw.

As for the monthly bumper draws of RO 100,000 prize each in September, October and November, customers need to have a minimum average balance of RO 1,000 in their savings account. To qualify for the three monthly prize draws of RO 1000, customers must maintain a balance of RO 100 or more to be entered into the draw.

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Editor's Note:

Bank Sohar is Oman's youngest and fastest growing bank. In a little over two years since its inception it has become the fourth largest bank in Oman in terms of lending. The Bank also reported very healthy half year earnings achieving a net profit of RO 1.671 million reflecting the bank's innovative approach to financial services and customer acquisition.

Bank Sohar has a network of 13 branches spread across the Sultanate and has the unique distinction of 24/7 access to customers through its own and Omanswitch ATM work at free of cost. The Bank employs over 430 staff – of which 86 per cent are Omani, a sign of the commitment of the bank to its Omanisation policy and developing the banking professionals of tomorrow across the Sultanate.