

Communiqué

Following the General Elections held on 10 November 2024 and the First sitting of the National Assembly held on 29 November 2024, all incoming members of the National Assembly including the Speaker, are hereby notified of their legal obligations under section 4(1)(a) of the Declaration of Assets (**"DOA"**) Act 2018, as amended, to make a declaration of their assets and liabilities with the Financial Crimes Commission (**"FCC"**).

In light of the above, all incoming members of the National Assembly shall:

- (i) submit their **First Schedule DOA form**, duly sworn before the **Supreme Court of Mauritius**, to the FCC at the DOA Unit;
- (ii) declare their assets and liabilities as well as that of their spouse and minor children; and
- (iii) submit their declaration forms not later than 30 days after the first sitting of the National Assembly.

The prescribed First Schedule DOA form is available on the website of the FCC at <u>www.icac.mu</u>, or it may be requested by email on <u>doa@fcc.mu</u>.

With the coming into force of the Financial Crimes Commission Act 2023, declarants **must also** make a declaration as to whether they, their spouse or minor children hold any of the following four new additional assets, by way of a sworn **Annex** to their First Schedule DOA form:

- a) Gold coins exceeding 500,000 rupees in value;
- b) Any virtual asset;
- c) Any work of art exceeding 500,000 rupees in value; and
- d) *Waqf* property dedicated under the *Waqf* Act 1941.

All the incoming members of the National Assembly including the Speaker, are also informed that they have an obligation to submit a fresh declaration, within a delay of 30 days, for any acquisition or disposal of the specified assets listed under section 6(1)(a) of the DOA Act, **including any assets acquired or disposed by their spouse and minor children**.

Any failure to comply with the statutory deadline of 30 days, shall result in the imposition of a **penalty of 5,000 rupees per month or part of the month**, to the declarant until such time as the declaration is submitted, up to a maximum of **50,000 rupees**.

For any further queries, you may wish to contact the officers of the DOA Unit of the FCC on the DOA helpdesk on 402 6662/6693/6977/6979 during office hours or by email on doa@fcc.mu.

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