



Tax Alert

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Disclosure of undeclared assets held overseas

The Finance (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2019 introduced a Voluntary Disclosure Income Scheme (VDIS) to encourage Mauritian tax payers to disclose assets held overseas with the Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA).

The MRA revealed on 11 September 2019 that Mauritians had placed a total of MUR 104 billion in overseas accounts, information obtained through the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) and the Common Reporting Standard (CRS) reports.

According to the MRA, these amounts were either placed in fixed deposit accounts or were invested in overseas financial products, such as bearer bonds.

Furthermore, Mauritian companies have overseas funds amounting to MUR 980 billion.

Voluntary Disclosure Incentive Scheme

Mauritian tax payers have up to 31 March 2020 to voluntarily disclose foreign income that are taxable in Mauritius or foreign assets acquired with income which is taxable in Mauritius.

Where disclosure of assets is made through the VDIS and there is tax liability, taxpayers would be liable to tax at the normal rate, i.e. 15%, without being subject to penalty and interest, provided the tax liability is paid before 31 March 2020.

How KPMG can assist?

- Assess whether all your foreign income have properly been subject to income tax in Mauritius; and
- Assist in the process of making a voluntary disclosure under the VDIS where income has not been declared.

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