

Tax Arrears Settlement Scheme

2017



Objective of Tax Arrears Settlement Scheme

Tax Arrears Settlement Scheme (TASS) is a scheme put in place to encourage taxpayers owing arrears of tax and duty to the MRA to settle the debt promptly.

Taxes Covered

TASS covers arrears of Income Tax, VAT, Gaming Tax and Betting Duty still outstanding as at **8th June 2017** under a return submitted or an assessment raised on or before **30th June 2015**. Tax and duty due under an assessment which is pending before the Assessment Review Committee (ARC), the Supreme Court or the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council are not covered under TASS.

Incentive

100% of all the penalties and interests charged will be waived provided the taxpayer makes an application to the MRA before **31st March 2018**.

Operation of TASS

- A debtor wishing to avail himself of the reduction of penalty/interest under TASS should make an application in that respect to the Director-General on or before **31st March 2018**.
- The amount of penalty / interest to be waived will be written off in the books of the MRA only when the total tax has been settled on or before **31st May 2018**.
- Where the total tax liability is not paid by 31 May 2018 at latest, any waiver of penalty and interest as may have been agreed under TASS shall lapse and the total tax, penalty and interest shall become payable and recoverable forthwith.

