

Tax Arrears Settlement Scheme (TASS)



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Objective

The scheme is designed for taxpayers having outstanding tax arrears as at **02 June 2023**. Where the tax arrears are settled on or before **01 April 2024**, the taxpayer will benefit from 100 percent waiver of penalty and interest included in the tax arrears under the Income Tax Act, Value Added Tax Act or the Gambling Regulatory Authority Act.

Scope

The scheme will cover tax arrears that are tax, penalty and interest due under an assessment issued or a return submitted on or before 02 June 2023 under the Income Tax Act, Value Added Tax Act or the Gambling Regulatory Authority Act.

Taxpayers having assessments pending before the Assessment Review Committee (ARC), the Supreme Court or the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council and who wish to join the scheme, may do so by withdrawing the case before these institutions.

Procedure

To benefit from the full waiver of penalty and interest, the taxpayer is required to make an application for the waiver to the Director-General on or before **03 January 2024**.

The facility to make the application electronically is available on MRA website: www.mra.mu

Eligibility

The scheme is applicable to all taxpayers with tax arrears outstanding as at **02 June 2023** under an assessment issued or return submitted on or before **02 June 2023**.

Persons not eligible for the scheme (Section 28 (21) (b) of the MRA Act)

The scheme is not applicable to any person:

- (i) who has been convicted of an offence on or after 01 July 2012;
- (ii) against whom there are any pending or contemplated civil or criminal proceedings; or
- (iii) who is the subject matter of an enquiry relating to -
 - drug trafficking under the Dangerous Drugs Act; arms trafficking, an offence related to terrorism under the Prevention of Terrorism Act; money laundering under the Financial Intelligence and Anti Money Laundering Act; or a corruption offence under the Prevention of Corruption Act.