

TELEPHONE SCAM ALERT

The **Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA)** draws the attention of the public to the fact that there are persons who are pretending to be officers of the MRA and are requesting members of the public to disclose their Bank Account details and Passwords through telephone. This act is fraudulent. It is known as **'Vishing'** and is punishable by law.

The MRA informs members of the public that its official phone number is **207 6000** and that the MRA never requests for Bank Account details through phone or email. Moreover, in no circumstance does the MRA request for the password associated with a Bank Account Number, and through no means, because this is an information highly personal and confidential for the Bank Account Holder.

During the application exercise for the Self-Employed Assistance Scheme on MRA website: **www.mra.mu** the Bank Account Number, required for the crediting of the financial assistance, is input by the applicant directly into the online application form. This information is treated with utmost confidentiality.

Should someone doubt the authenticity of telephonic communications purportedly from or on behalf of the MRA, he/she should first call on 207 6000 before taking any further action.

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