



PROSPECTUS

FIVE-YEAR GOVERNMENT OF MAURITIUS BONDS

Pursuant to section 8 of the Loans Act and section 57 of the Bank of Mauritius Act 2004, the Bank of Mauritius, acting as agent for Government, is pleased to announce a series of six issues of Rs500 million nominal each of Five-Year Government of Mauritius Bonds for the current fiscal year, on 18 August 2006, 20 October 2006, 22 December 2006, 23 February 2007, 20 April 2007 and 22 June 2007, respectively.

2. Bids for the first issue of the Five-Year Government of Mauritius Bonds in the above-mentioned series will be received by the Bank on Wednesday 16 August 2006 on a yield basis quoted to two decimal places, in multiples of Rs100,000.-, on tender forms which are obtainable at the seat of the Bank of Mauritius or on the Bank's website which is <http://bom.intnet.mu>. Bidders may submit multiple tenders, one for each bid yield. **The aggregate amount of bids that may be submitted by any bidder should not exceed the tender amount of Rs500 million. All Tender Forms must bear the official stamp of the institution having submitted the bid.**

3. Applications from individuals and non-financial institutions should be made through banks offering these services or licensed stockbrokers.

Individuals will have the option to register the Bonds in their names singly or jointly with another individual. Minors must, however, be represented by a guardian.

4. The interest rate for the first issue of Five-Year Government of Mauritius Bonds scheduled for Friday 18 August 2006, through an auction to be held on Wednesday 16 August 2006, has been fixed at 8.90 per cent per annum. The interest rate for subsequent issues may be reviewed depending on market conditions. The public will be advised of the rate and other conditions of the remaining issues at least one week before the issue.

5. The completed Tender Form for the first issue should be placed in a sealed envelope marked "Tender for Five-Year Government of Mauritius Bonds" and should be deposited in the tender box at the Banking Hall of the Bank of Mauritius, Sir William Newton Street, Port Louis, **before 10.00 a.m. on Wednesday 16 August 2006**. The results of the auction will be announced on the same day and successful tenderers will be required to collect their letter of acceptance from the Bank. Settlement for accepted bids should be effected at latest **by 11.00 a.m. on Friday 18 August 2006**. Settlement may be made through the Mauritius Automated Clearing and Settlement System and bidders may contact their banks for this purpose.

6. The Bonds in respect thereof will be issued dated 18 August 2006 and will mature and be redeemed at par by the Bank of Mauritius on 18 August 2011.

7. Interest on these Bonds will be paid half-yearly on 18 February and 18 August by the Bank during the currency of the Bonds to the bank account of the registered bondholder(s) or any other person authorised by the bondholder(s), through the Mauritius Automated Clearing and Settlement System. Interest will accrue on the Bonds as from 18 August 2006 on the nominal amount subscribed and will cease on the date of their maturity.

8. Certificates for the Five-Year Government of Mauritius Bonds will be issued by the Bank.

9. An annual contribution of 10.0 per cent of the total nominal amount of Bonds issued will be made to the Consolidated Sinking Fund, which is managed by the Bank.

10. Registers of holdings and transfers for the Five-Year Government of Mauritius Bonds will be kept at the Bank of Mauritius. The Bonds will be transferable in multiples of Rs100,000.-

BANK OF MAURITIUS

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