



GENERAL NOTICE

ISSUE OF TREASURY NOTES

Pursuant to section 24C of the Loans Act and section 16 of the Bank of Mauritius Act, the Bank of Mauritius, acting as agent of Government, is pleased to announce the weekly issues of Treasury Notes with a maturity period of 3 years for the financial year 2004-05.

Initially, the Treasury Notes will be offered to existing holders of Treasury Bills wishing to convert at maturity, part or the full amount of their Treasury Bills into 3-Year Treasury Notes. The Treasury Notes will be issued at par and in multiples of Rs100,000.

2. Period

The conversion of Treasury Bills into Treasury Notes will close on 30 June 2005 or earlier, as may be decided by the Government of Mauritius.

The first conversion into Treasury Notes will be made on Friday 17 September 2004 and will continue on each Friday until terminated, as stated above.

3. Interest Rate

The Treasury Note, issued as from 17 September 2004, will bear interest at the rate of 7.30 per cent per annum. The rate of interest (for subsequent issues) may be reviewed depending on market conditions. Interest accrued will be payable at the end of the 3 year maturity period.

4. Applications

Existing holders of Treasury Bills wishing to convert part or the full amount of the maturity proceeds of their Treasury Bills into Treasury Notes should submit their applications on prescribed forms obtainable at the Bank of Mauritius or on its web site <http://bom.intnet.mu>. The Applications should be addressed to the Director-Financial Markets and deposited at the counter of the Bank of Mauritius, Sir William Newton Street, Port Louis, at latest by 3.00 p.m on the first working day of the week for Treasury Bills maturing on Friday of that particular week.

Applications from individuals and non-financial institutions should be made through commercial banks and or licensed stockbrokers.

The Bank of Mauritius reserves the right to accept or reject any application either in full or in part, without assigning any reason in respect thereof.

Applicants will be informed whether their applications have been accepted or otherwise at latest by Wednesday of the week during which the application was submitted.

5. Capital and Interest Payment

At maturity, capital together with interest accrued on the Treasury Notes will be paid by the Bank of Mauritius in accordance with instructions provided by the Treasury Note holder(s).

6. Tradability and mode of issue

The Treasury Notes may be freely traded and are transferable from one investor to another in multiples of Rs100,000.- The Treasury Notes will be issued in book-entry form and records will be kept at the Bank of Mauritius.

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