

## Withdrawal of Rs2000 paper banknotes

## 18 January 2019

Further to a Public Notice issued by the Bank of Mauritius on the 4<sup>th</sup> of December 2018\* with regard to the issue of an upgraded Rs2000 polymer banknote and the withdrawal of the Rs2000 paper banknote, the Bank reminds the public in general that the Rs2000 paper banknote will cease to be legal tender as from the 1st of February 2019.

The public is therefore advised to exchange existing paper banknotes of Rs2000 denomination issued by the Bank of Mauritius against the upgraded Rs2000 polymer banknotes at any commercial bank or branch thereof until the 31st of January 2019. Thereafter, as from the 1<sup>st</sup> of February 2019, Rs2000 paper banknotes may be exchanged **only** at the counter of the Bank of Mauritius.

Holders of Rs2000 paper banknote(s) will be required to produce a proof of identity when effecting an exchange of the paper banknote. Proof of the source of fund may also be requested from any customer irrespective of the amount and if the circumstances so warrant. Banknotes being exchanged may be verified for genuineness and any counterfeit banknote will be reported to the Police.

Information on the security features of the upgraded Rs2000 polymer banknote can be obtained by visiting the Bank's website on https://www.bom.mu.

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<sup>\*</sup> The Public Notice issued by the Bank of Mauritius on the 4<sup>th</sup> of December 2018 can be accessed on https://www.bom.mu/media/media-releases/public-notice-rs-2000-denomination-banknotes.