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As part of the Ministry of Finance's ongoing efforts to strengthen public financial management and promote greater fiscal discipline and transparency, the Department of Treasury and Accounts will henceforth incorporate information on expenditure arrears, if any, in the Annual Financial Statement of the Government.

For this purpose, arrears are defined as payment obligations arising from valid commitments, such as contracts, purchase orders, or other formal agreements, for which goods or services have been duly received by a government agency, but payments have not been made within the agreed contractual terms. This includes, but is not limited to, unpaid amounts due to suppliers, contractors, service providers, and other stakeholders. However, such obligations owed to the contractors/suppliers/service providers must be adequately proposed and allocated in the annual budget.

This initiative is intended to improve the monitoring of arrears and ensure timely settlement of government obligations. It also represents a critical step toward developing a more accurate and comprehensive view of government liabilities in anticipation of the development of the Integrated Financial Management Information System (IFMIS). Accordingly, Finance personnel in all Budgetary Bodies are directed to take stock of all outstanding obligations as of 30th June 2025 and submit the details to the Department of Treasury and Accounts using the prescribed format attached to this circular latest by 15th July, 2025.

For any clarification, Budgetary Bodies may contact the Department of Treasury and Accounts at +975(02)322604.

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