

**INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION (ICAC)**

**COMMUNIQUE**

**THE DECLARATION OF ASSETS (AMENDMENT) ACT 2019**

The Declaration of Assets (Amendment) Act 2019, gazetted on 06 July 2019, came into force, upon proclamation, on 22 August 2019. The Amendment Act, *inter alia*:

- (i) provides for a wider definition of “assets”;
- (ii) excludes judicial officers from making any declaration;
- (iii) defines and makes provision for a prescribed list for “State-owned Enterprises”;
- (iv) provides new delay for the declaration of assets and liabilities; and
- (v) revokes the Declaration of Assets (Prescribed Forms) Regulations 2019.

The Declaration of Assets (Declaration Forms) Regulations 2019 and the Declaration of Assets (State-owned Enterprises) Regulations 2019 came into force today, upon being gazetted.

With the coming into force of the Declaration of Assets (Amendment) Act 2019, the Declaration of Assets (Declaration Forms) Regulations 2019 and the Declaration of Assets (State-owned Enterprises) Regulations 2019:

- (i) declarants who have not yet made any declaration are required to make their declarations within 90 days from the commencement of the Declaration of Assets (Amendment) Act 2019;
- (ii) declarants who have already made their declarations, should fill in an additional assets declaration form / affidavit, as the case may be, to declare within 90 days from the commencement of the Declaration of Assets (Amendment) Act 2019 whether or not they have assets in the category of:
  - a. money deposited in a non- bank deposit taking institution licensed by the Bank of Mauritius; and
  - b. trust property.

The Declaration of Assets Act 2018, the Declaration of Assets (Amendment) Act 2019, the Declaration of Assets (Declaration Forms) Regulations 2019 which include the new prescribed forms, the Declaration of Assets (State-owned Enterprises) Regulations 2019 which include the list of State-owned Enterprises and the additional assets declaration form/affidavit for persons who have already made their declarations are available on the website: [www.icac.mu](http://www.icac.mu).

For any further queries, prospective declarants are invited to call the help desk on 4026693/ 4026984.

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