

# COMMUNIQUE

## REFUND OF INCOME TAX

# Fake Request for Bank Account Number

The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) reiterates the precautions that the public needs to take against persons who circulate FAKE MESSAGES on social media, asking them to disclose their Bank Account Number through a link included in the messages.

### MRA strongly advises taxpayers to ignore such messages and NOT to click on any such link.

For all e-filing purposes, the MRA has put in place a secured system, the Taxpayer Portal, where the taxpayer needs to insert his USERNAME and PASSWORD provided by the MRA. The Taxpayer Portal can only be accessed through the MRA Website: <a href="https://www.mra.mu">www.mra.mu</a>

For tax refunds, MRA never asks taxpayers to disclose their Bank Account Number through phone, e-mail or social media. The Bank Account Details are provided by taxpayers themselves while filing their return through MRA's Taxpayer Portal.

In case of tax payment, the MRA recommends taxpayers to avail themselves of the Direct Debit facility to debit their account upon their authorisation.

At the MRA, taxpayer information is treated with utmost confidentiality.

For further information, taxpayers are kindly requested to call MRA Helpdesk on **207 6000** during working hours.

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