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Notification

Subject: Mandatory Use of Current Deposit (CD) Accounts for Business Transactions

This is to notify that legal requirement for business transactions to operate through Current Deposit (CD) Accounts continues to remain in force under Section 324(2) of the Income Tax Act of Bhutan 2025, read together with Rule 206 of the Rules on the Income Tax Act of Bhutan 2025. Non-compliance with this requirement shall constitute a serious violation of the law.

Accordingly, all business entities are hereby directed to strictly comply with the following requirements:

1. Open and maintain a Current Deposit (CD) Account exclusively for all business-related transactions; and
2. Ensure that all QR codes used for receiving business payments are linked strictly to the designated CD Account of the business.

The Department has observed numerous instances where business establishments continue to conduct commercial transactions through personal savings accounts, while QR payment facilities remain linked to such personal accounts. Such practices undermine financial transparency, impede proper tax compliance and reporting, and may amount to concealment or misreporting of business income.

Any business entity found in violation of this directive shall be liable to administrative penalties of an amount not exceeding 400 days multiplied by the national minimum wage, in accordance with Sections 600 and 666 of the Income Tax Act of Bhutan 2025. Further, the Department reserves the right to initiate prosecution against any business entity found deliberately violating or circumventing the law, in accordance with Section 685 of the Income Tax Act of Bhutan 2025.

All concerned business entities are advised to ensure immediate compliance.

The Department further advises customers to ensure that payments are made only through QR codes linked to the CD account of the business and report any cases of savings accounts being used for the conduct of business transactions by the business units to the nearest RRCOs or call hotline numbers 02-328391 or 02-333771.

Director General