

COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT THE END OF THE 151^{st} MEETING OF THE JOINT TAX BOARD (JTB) HELD ON 24^{th} NOVEMBER 2022 VIA ZOOM

The theme of the meeting was "Tax Revenue Administration for the Future-Tax Authorities Reforms and Reduction of Cost of Compliance for Improved Performance"

The Board deliberated on various issues and adopted the following resolutions:

- 1. It is imperative for tax revenue authorities to continuously undertake strategic reform initiatives to reposition tax administration in line with emerging issues in taxation.
- 2. Tax authorities should leverage technology, capacity building and the digital revolution to optimise opportunities inherent in the domestic tax environment.
- 3. Personal Income Tax administration should be revamped with all available technological tools to generate the needed revenue to fund social goods and services as obtainable in other tax jurisdictions.
- 4. The Board advised Government at all levels to demonstrate political will and the judicious use of tax revenue to encourage voluntary compliance and successful transformation in tax administration.
- 5. Collaboration and inter-jurisdictional peer review should be promoted among tax revenue authorities to improve revenue performance and reduce the cost of compliance.
- 6. Tax authorities should embark on effective feedback mechanism, engagement of the taxpayers and development of robust database to enhance taxpayers' compliance.
- 7. Tax authorities in conjunction with relevant stakeholders to commence the seamless implementation of the Single Inter-State Road Tax Sticker (SIRTS) and Single Haulage Fees (SHF) as contained in Part IV (2)(a)(b) of the Schedule to the Taxes and Levies (Approved List for Collection) Act (Amendment) Order 2015 by 1st December 2022.

SIGNED

Muhammad Nami Chairman, JTB

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