MEDIA RELEASE DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

ANNUAL CENSUS OF EMPLOYER / EMPLOYEES, WAGES, EARNINGS AND HOURS OF WORK FOR THE YEAR 2019 - VIA ONLINE - BUSINESS REPORTING SYSTEM [BRS]

- 1. Department of Labour, the Ministry of Home Affairs, will conduct **Annual Census Of Employer/Employees, Wages, Earnings And Hours Of Work** for the year 2019, using the ONLINE methodology, via BUSINESS REPORTING SYSTEM [BRS], on its website at www.business.gov.bn/SitePages/OBR.aspx/SitePages/OBR.aspx.
- 2. The Department would like to seek the cooperation of all private sector Business Entities, Private Institutions, Cooperatives, Associations, Clubs and Statutory Bodies operating in Brunei Darussalam, whether having Foreign Workers Licences [LPA], or only employing local workers (no foreign workers), to provide /complete the information of workers (local and foreign), including employers/ owners/ managers, who are still working with the respective Business Entities, Private Institutions, Cooperatives, Associations, Clubs and Statutory Bodies until /on 30th October 2019, in the Census form provided on the website www.business.gov.bn/SitePages/OBR.aspx/SitePages/OBR.aspx.
- 3. However, <u>Household/Private Services are EXEMPTED</u> from completing the Census information concerned.
- 4. The Census information is to be completed using an online method, via www.business.gov.bn/SitePages/OBR.aspx website using employer's /owner's /manager's username obtainable through online registration at E-Darussalam. Guidelines on how to to complete the Census information can also be downloaded from website www.business.gov.bn/SitePages/OBR.aspx or www.labour.gov.bn
- 5. All completed Census information will ONLY be accepted **ONLINE** via the website <u>www.business.gov.bn/SitePages/OBR.aspx/SitePages/OBR.aspx</u>, effective <u>31 October 2019</u> and the deadline for receiving census information is on 30 November 2019.

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- 6. Employers/owners/managers are also advised and requested to complete the census information of their respective Business Entities, Private Institutions, Cooperatives, Associations, Clubs and Statutory Bodies by themselves. This is to avoid the misuse of the confidential census information by a third party that may have been trusted to complete the census information on their behalf.
- 7. Census of Employer/Employee 2018 Receipt issued for Census of Employer/Employees 2018 will expire and void effective 31 October 2019.
- 8. Under the provision of Employment Information Act 1974, Chapter 99, Section 3(1), all employers must fill in the Annual Census of Employer's/Employees' Wages, Earnings and Hours of Work forms. Under Section 8 (1) of the Act, any employer, a) wilfully refuses or neglects to furnish the particulars or information required within the time allowed for furnishing the same, or to furnish the same in the form specified 0r prescribed, or to authenticate the same at the place or in the manner specified or prescribed or delivery thereof; or, b) wilfully furnishes or causes to be furnished any false particulars of information in respect of any matter specified in the notice requiring particulars of information to be furnished; orrefuses to answer, or, c) wilfully gives a false answer to any question necessary for obtaining any information or particulars required to be furnished under this Act is committing an offense and liable to a fine of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$ 2,500.00) and imprisonment of six (6) months, and if continuously, a further fine of Fifty Dollar (\$50.00) a day will be charged.
- 9. For further information, please refer to:

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10. Service counters operate on the following times: -

Day:-Monday – Thursday, Saturday [excluding Public Holidays] Morning:-8.00 am - 11.30 am

Afternoon:1.45 pm - 3.30 pm