



JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

This Joint Public Notice makes reference to our earlier Notice in the Post Courier and the National on Friday 19th November 2021 informing all Stakeholders, Employment Agents, Clients and the General Public that the Foreign Employment Division Office is now closed for business to the public effective as of Friday 19th November 2021.

This Public Notice serves to inform the General Public that effective as of the date of this notice, the Work Permit Counter at the Department of Labour and Industrial Relations will completely shut down operations until 12th January 22 to allow the smooth transition of the Foreign Employment Division to the Immigration and Citizenship Service Authority.

All Work Permit Applications received for renewal prior to the closure of business on 19th November 2021 will be processed and released at the Immigration and Citizenship Service Authority Counter at the Central Government Office (CGO) when business resumes on 12th January 2022

All urgent applications for non-citizens travelling overseas before 12th January 2022 will be treated on a case by case basis and work permit and visa will be issued to facilitate travel without hindrance.

We will give special consideration on a case by case basis on fines and penalties for applications received between 01st October 2021 to 23rd December 2021 that are currently in our possession for renewal of their existing work permits

We apologize for any inconvenience that may have been caused resulting from this short notice

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