VIM Workflow & Approvals Issue

Category: Record To Report

Sub-Category: Financial Accounting

Group: VIM Workflow and Approvals.

Step No.	Action	Description	Expected Outcome
1	Verify User Authorization	 Check user's assigned catalogs/roles for invoice approvals. Ensure role like SAP_MM_BC_INV_WIAPPROVE_PC is assigned for My Inbox. Validate authorization objects in SU53 if access denied. 	User has proper authorization for VIM approval.
2	Retry Approval	 - Ask user to retry approval in VIM Workplace/My Inbox. - If "No administrator found" or workflow error, refresh org environment. - Use SBWP (SAP Business Workplace) fallback if Fiori/My Inbox fails. 	Approval retry successful, or fallback access enabled.
3	Validate Invoice Data	 Check invoice header completeness (vendor, company code, PO reference). Ensure attachments are visible and accessible. Re-open PDF preview to confirm readability. 	Invoice data validated, PDF preview functional.
4	Inspect Workflow Configuration	- Review VIM flexible workflow settings (approval patterns, rules, agents, substitutions).	Workflow settings validated and approval

		- Check workflow log in SWI1/SWI2_FREQ Re-trigger workflow if required.	path corrected.
5	Analyse Exception Rules	 Review exception cases: 417 = Price variance 271 = Name/City mismatch 113 = Missing data- Align exceptions with MM/PO configuration. 	Exception root cause identified and mapped to MM-FI setup.
6	Validate Duplicate Check	 Investigate duplicate postings via duplicate check rules. Verify status of invoices flagged as duplicates. Remove false positives if found. 	Duplicate errors cleared or corrected.
7	Correct VIM Engine Config	 Inspect VIM engine configuration and integration points with S/4 workflow. Apply relevant SAP Notes/Support Packages. Adjust DP document types if mismatched. 	Engine issues resolved, DP processing stabilized.
8	Implement Enhancements	 Use BAdIs for workflow routing/custom logic. Implement substitutions where agents are missing. Rebuild workflow if structural defects exist. 	Customized workflow enhancements implemented.
9	Confirm Resolution	 Re-test approval in My Inbox and Workplace. Validate FI/MM postings. Ensure workflow moves invoice to next stage. 	Invoice approval error resolved.
10	Close & Document	 Attach workflow logs or error screenshots. Close ticket under "Resolved – VIM Workflow Error". 	Ticket documented and closed successfully.