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Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Thimphu

Subject: Handing over BoLTS system

Dear Dasho,

This is to inform that NLCS has been providing online services to the public by leveraging technologies. This office has initiated and developed systems to ease the public in availing land services. One of them is Bhutan Online Land Tax System (BoLTS), which has significantly benefited the citizens in paying land tax online.

The BoLTS was developed by a local firm in close consultation with relevant agencies - DRC, DNB and DPA (MoF), DITT (MoIC), Thimphu Thromde, MoHWS etc. with financial support from DITT. It was launched by HRH Gyaltshab Dasho Jigme Dorji Wangchuck in 2019. It facilitates in collecting land tax for all the land parcels in the country excluding four Thromdes (Thimphu, Phuntsholing, Gelephu and Samdrup Jongkhar) as they have their own revenue system.

Till date, besides NLCS's core mandates to provide efficient land services, we have been operating and maintaining the system to make it stable. Currently, it is very stable and in full utilization with no issues pertaining to the operations. The BoLTS involves collecting taxes and handing CD accounts based on 1992 tax rates. Also, during the auditing it was recommended that the Ministry of Finance is the right agency to operate it. Moreover, at the time of developing the BOLTS the MoF agreed to take over the system at a later date. Therefore, we would like to hand over the system to your agency from the coming year (2023). Details of the system and hosting space will be shared in the email to your IT team.

With the new tax rates based on PAVA value, the MoF may need to tweak the system to accommodate new developments. The NLCS will continue to provide backstopping services if required.



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For your kind information, disbursement of the collected taxes for the year 2022 will be disbursed at the end of January, 2023.

Thank you.

Tshering Gyaltshen Penjor (Secretary)

Cc:

- 1. Offtt. DG, DRC, Thimphu, for kind information and necessary action
- 2. Director, DITT, MoIC, Thimphu, for kind information
- 3. Secretary, MoWHS, Thimphu for kind information and necessary action
- 4. PPD, NLCS for kind information
- 5. Chief ICT Officer, ICT Division for information