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1.5 Financing and Liability

1.5.1 Financing

1.5.1.1 The Mauritius Accreditation Service (MAURITAS) is a government department which submits its budget proposals every year to the parent Ministry. The consolidated proposals are then submitted to the Ministry of Finance, Economic Planning and Development for consideration and approval as part of the Line Budget.

1.5.1.2 MAURITAS operates under a Vote Item of the Line Budget of the Ministry of Industrial Development and its various budgetary provisions are detailed in the Line Budget which is adopted by the National Assembly every year.

1.5.1.3 We derive our financial resources from the:

- Government budgetary provisions as approved by the Line Budget;
- Funding received from development partners

and as such MAURITAS operates under certain limitations including financial and human resource.

1.5.1.4 MAURITAS income is generated by fees payable by its clients and is consolidated in the Government revenue. The Minister makes regulations to provide for the taking and levying of fees and charges. The regulations for fees, in Government Notices 2004, 2007 and 2013, are at **Annex F** and **G** respectively.

1.5.2 Liability

1.5.2.1 MAURITAS is accountable legally for any administrative decision it takes under the MAURITAS Act no 23 of 98 and the Finance (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act No.10 of 2017 Section 32. MAURITAS evaluates the risks arising from its activities.

1.5.2.2 The Ministry, responsible for the subject of Industrial Development, is accountable for all decisions with financial implications taken by MAURITAS.

1.5.2.3 MAURITAS is not responsible and liable for certificates and reports issued by its accredited CABs.

1.5.2.4 Where the services of external assessors or technical experts are required, MAURITAS requests them to take an accident and injury as well as a personal liability insurance policy. They have to bear the cost of the insurance policy.

1.5.3 Cross References

1.5.3.1 Annexes B, F and G

1.5.3.2 MAURITAS Risk Register

1.5.3.3 Line Budget (available from the website of the Ministry of Finance, Economic Planning and Development)