TIMEFRAME:

Construction/building materials

Timeframe for the importation of all construction and building materials is 24 months (2 years) from the commencement date of construction.

Office amenities & equipment

Timeframe is 3 years starting from the date the Cabinet approval was issued for the qualifying project.

Extension of Timeframe

Applications for extension of timeframe must be submitted to MCIL before the existing approval expires.

MANDATE:

This Scheme is facilitated by the Industry **Development & Investment Promotion (IDIP)** Division under the Ministry of Commerce, Industry & Labour.

The criterion and assessment for all applications are done in accordance with the following:

- Customs Act 1977 (Section 163A)
- Customs Amendment Act 2022 (Section 127A)
- Customs (Development Projects) Regulations 2010
- Investment Committee Determinants No.1 & 2



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Duty Concessions Scheme (DCS)







What is DCS?

 DCS is a Government Assistance program aimed at encouraging and supporting the development of 'eligible businesses' approved as a "Qualifying Project", allowing for duty free importation of materials and equipment used in the completion of an approved project within a set timeframe.

Who can apply?

Businesses within the four industries— Tourism, Manufacturing, Agriculture & Fisheries.

How to apply?

- An application containing the following information must be submitted to MCIL:
 - **Detail of Business & project** •
 - **Benefits to the Economy**
 - **Timeframe of Project**
 - Details of the request ٠

APPLICATION PROCESS:

List of Goods for importation

MCIL

Supporting Information •

APPROVED GOODS for duty free importation:

- ✓ Construction/building materials
- ✓ Manufacturing tools or equipment
- ✓ Office amenities and equipment
- ✓ Furniture & fixtures
- ✓ Cooking equipment
- ✓ Agricultural & Aguaculture machinery or equipment

INELIGIBLE GOODS:

- * Motor Vehicles unless it is an integral part of the development.
- * Personal Effects, equipment & machineries for maintenance purposes.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA: (as a Qualifying Project)

- ✓ Must be a business within one of the four eligible industries - Tourism, Manufacturing, Agriculture & Fisheries.
- Must be a registered business with a $\mathbf{\nabla}$ valid business license and VAGST registration.
- Proposed project must be approved by \square Cabinet as a "Qualifying Project".
- Requested goods for importation must be from the Approved Goods List.

Applicant

2. MCIL to conduct Preliminary Assessment **Cabinet Decision** Before the (Approve or Decline) approved timeframe lapses, Extension of Submit application to Submit Assessment to the **Investment Committee (IC)** 5. MOF Conveyance to

the business can request for:

timeframe

Additional goods

