



Ministry of Finance  
Inland Revenue Department  
Information and Inspection Sub-Department

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Re: To implement the full collection of stamp duty for mortgage-deeds, movable property mortgage deeds and bonds

1. Nowadays, giving out loans is more competitive among banks in Myanmar due to the development of the private banking sector. However, inspections have shown that stamp duty is not being fully paid as prescribed in the Myanmar Stamp Act for contracts such as granting bank loans with collaterals and acting as guarantor by a banking institution; therefore, the stamp duty shall be collected as follows:

(a) For a loan agreement of a bank with the mortgage [*“APaung PyitSee” - literally, “pawned objects”*] of immovable property such as land and buildings, stamp duty shall be paid as follows according to no. 40, Appendix Schedule (1) -

- If only ownership documents are provided to the bank 1.5%

*[Note: Stamp duty rate was reduced to 0.5% with effect 1 October 2016 by virtue of Ministry of Planning and Finance Notification 146/2016]*

(b) For a loan agreement of a bank with a pledge [*“APaung PyitSee” - same word as above “mortgage”*] of movable property, stamp duty shall be paid as follows according to no. 6, Appendix Schedule (1) -

Types of Contracts	Payable Stamp Duty
(a) Repayment after three months: If the monetary amount is-	Kyats
- Not exceeding five million kyats	450
- Between five and seven million kyats	650
- Between seven and nine million kyats	800
- Between nine and thirteen million kyats	1200
- Between thirteen and seventeen million kyats	1500
- Between seventeen and twenty-one million kyats	1900
- Between twenty-one and twenty-five million kyats	2250
- Between twenty-five and thirty million kyats	2700
- Between thirty and fifty million kyats	4500
- Between fifty and seventy-five million kyats	6750
- Between seventy-five and one hundred million kyats	9000



- Any ten million kyats (or part of ten million kyats) in addition to one hundred million kyats (b) Repayment before three months:	650  Half of the above amounts
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(c) If a bank or a business with a good reputation acts as a guarantor for loans or the purchase of movable or immovable property among banks or among organizations, or between a bank and a business organization: This is an obligation and included in the scope of application for bonds which are not otherwise provided for by the Myanmar Stamp Act or the Court Fees Act. Therefore, 1.5% of the value or amount of money in the contract shall be paid as stamp duty for such agreements according to No.15, Appendix Schedule (1).

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2. Banks are only paying Ks. 2500 Ks stamp duty according to their own opinion for contractual documents such as third party guarantees and mortgages of movable/immovable property. The contracts for which only Ks. 2500 are payable are security-bonds or mortgage-deeds for the due execution of an office or to account for money or other property received or executed by a surety to secure the due performance of a contract. For instance, an undertaking between employer and employee and an agreement by which the employee is promised that he/she will keep working at the same company after finishing a scholarship abroad.
3. Therefore, the Township Tax Offices shall avoid underpayments and collect the full amount of stamp duty for the above contracts.

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