Census and Statistics (Economic Census Period 2024–2026) Notice, 2024

IT is hereby notified that the Minister of Finance, Economic Development and Investment Promotion has, in terms of section 12(3) of the Census and Statistics Act [Chapter 10:29], made the following notice:—

- 1. This notice may be cited as the Census and Statistics (Economic Census Period 2024-2026) Notice, 2024.
- 2. The period from 1st July, 2024 to 31st October, 2026, is hereby fixed as the period during which the Economic Census shall be taken.

Interpretation

- 3. In this notice—
- "census mapping period" means the period from midnight 1st July, 2024, to 31st October 2024;
 - "census listing period' means the period from midnight 1st August, 2024, to 31st December, 2024;
- "input-output survey period' means the period from 1st January, 2025, to 31st March, 2025;
- "census period' means the period from midnight 1st July, 2024, to 31st October, 2026.

Information to be collected

- 4. The census to be taken shall be of—
 - (a) during census mapping period, the following information will be collected—
 - (i) registered name of the establishment;
 - (ii) trading name of the establishment;
 - (iii) address of the establishment;
 - (iv) ownership of the establishments;
 - (b) during census listing period, the following information will be collected—

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- (i) registered name of the establishment;
- (ii) trading name of the establishment;
- (iii) address of the establishment;
- (iv) establishment registration status;
- (v) type of ownership;
- (vi) type of economic activity;
- (vii) turnover;
- (viii) number of employees by sex;
 - (ix) capacity utilization;
- (c) during input-output survey period, the following information will be collected—
 - (i) value of inputs used;
 - (ii) sources of inputs;
 - (iii) value of outputs produced;
 - (iv) imports;
 - (v) exports;
 - (vi) value of intermediate inputs;
- (d) during census period (data collection) the following information will be collected—
 - (i) registered name of the establishment;
 - (ii) trading name of the establishment;
 - (iii) address of the establishment;
 - (iv) ownership status;
 - (v) main kind of economic activity;
 - (vi) turnover;
 - (vii) number of employees;
 - (viii) salaries and wages;
 - (ix) value of income received by the establishment—

A. income from main and secondary activities;

- B. income received from goods purchased for resale;
- C. income from rent of land;
- D. rental income received for dwelling, other buildings and structures;
- E. rental income received for vehicles;
- F. rental income received for other machinery, plant and equipment;
- G. any other incomes;
- (x) establishment expenditure;
- (xi) cost of raw materials and supplies except gas, fuels and electricity;
- (xii) cost of fuels purchased such as cost of electricity, cost of petrol, diesel, paraffin, lubricants and oils;
- (xiii) cost of coke, coal, firewood, charcoal and gas;
- (xiv) cost of water and sewerage;
- (xv) rent or rental payments -
 - A. rent paid for use of land;
 - B. rental payments for transport, machinery, equipment;
 - C. rental payments for dwellings and structures;
- (xvi) cost of maintenance, minor repairs and installations;
 - A. vehicles and other machinery and equipment;
 - B. computers and peripheral equipment;
 - C. furniture and fittings;
- $(xvii)\ \ repairs and maintenance of buildings and structures;$
- (xviii) taxes paid;
 - (xix) subsidies and other incentives received;
 - (xx) value of inventories;
 - (xxi) capital expenditure;

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(e) other particulars as may be required by the Agency.

Method of data collection

- 5. Data will be collected through the following methods—
 - (a) interviews using a tablet;
 - (b) completion of weekly record books;
 - (c) completion of questionnaire on ZIMSTAT website by large corporates.

Responsibilities of owners of establishments, managers or persons in charge of institutions

- 6. (1) Every person who is owner, manager or acting as the head of the establishment during the economic census period shall ensure that information of the establishment as the authorised officer may require are supplied in respect to the economic census.
- (2) It shall be the duty of every person who is owner, manager or acting as the head of the establishment to supply to the authorised officer particulars as and when they would be required to do so.
- (3) Any person who contravenes this section shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine not exceeding level 6 or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one year or to both such fine and such imprisonment.

Responsibility to ensure the collection of information on economic census

7. If by 31st October, 2026, no information has been collected by an authorised officer in respect of any establishment within Zimbabwe during the economic census period, the owner, manager or any person acting as the head of the establishment shall forthwith report the fact to an authorised officer and shall supply on demand any particulars required of him or her by authorised officer.