MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, SMEs and COOPERATIVES COMMUNIQUE

The Ministry of Industrial Development, SMEs and Cooperatives wishes to draw the attention of the public at large and more particularly of operators in the SME sector, of a google link emanating from a fake Facebook account entitled "Resource Centre of Mauritian entrepreneurs for economic and SME's Development" which is still spreading news purporting to the provision of financial grants to Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) in Mauritius by this Ministry and is inviting operators to submit their application accordingly.

The Ministry reiterates its appeal to the public not to fill in any forms linked to the above captioned matter or disclose any personal information.

The Ministry draws the attention of the public that it is crucial to rely on verified and official sources for accurate information regarding government initiatives, financial grants or schemes which the Ministry responsible would announce through official channels.

The Ministry strongly advises everyone to remain vigilant, verify the authenticity of any request or information received, refrain from sharing personal information or engaging with suspicious forms or pages and to report such cases to the relevant authority.

The Ministry always uses proper official channel to communicate.

The Public is requested to refer only to the website of the Ministry for updated news and events.

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