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Criteria for Domestic Preference to Contractors

Further to the Circular No. 19 of 2008 issued by this Office and the subsequent definition given to ‘foreign contractors’ under the Construction Industry Development Board Act 2008, it has become necessary to bring the following clarification in the application of Domestic Preference.

2. Please note that to qualify for the preference:

   (a) an individual domestic contractor should be a company incorporated in the Republic of Mauritius having Mauritian citizens as majority shareholders, and it should not sub-contract more than 50 % of the Works value; and

   (b) a joint venture between domestic and foreign contractors should be incorporated in the Republic of Mauritius, the domestic contractors being individually qualified. The works performed by the foreign partners and sub-contractors, if any, should not exceed 50 % of the Works value.

3. Mr. P. Goburdhun, Technical Adviser at this Office may be contacted (tel. no. 201-3760 or email mof-pposecretariat@mail.gov.m) for any clarification or guidance in this connection.

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