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Approved structure for Tourism Environmental Sustainability Levy

The Ministry of Finance, National Planning and Trade is announcing the approved structure for the Tourism Environmental Sustainability Levy.

Following discussions made at the level of the Cabinet of Ministers and the tourism industry, the structure of the levy has been agreed and will be charged on a three-tiered basis, whereby;

- small tourism accommodations (1-24 rooms) will be required to charge visitors SR 25.00 per person per night,
- medium tourism accommodations (25-50 rooms) SR 75.00 per person per night, and
- large tourism accommodations (51 rooms and above), yachts and island resorts SR 100.00 per person per night. Island resorts relate to establishments based on any island other than Mahe, Praslin, La Digue or Cerf Island and as defined in the Tourism Development Act 2019.

Establishments will charge and collect this levy from the visitors upon check-out.

The Levy is NOT to be incorporated in the establishments' prices. Instead, they are required to include it on the visitor's invoice as the Tourism Environmental Sustainability Levy.

The establishments will then be required to remit these funds to Seychelles Revenue Commission (SRC) on a monthly basis.

It is to be noted that the Levy will NOT be applicable to citizens and residents of Seychelles, children of 12 years and below (visitors), and crew members.

Proceeds from the Levy would add on to the country's efforts in securing and enhancing its natural environment.

The Regulations governing the Tourism Environmental Sustainability Levy is currently being finalised and will be gazetted in the coming days.

Commencement date of the Levy is 01st August 2023.

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