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## IMPORTANT PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

In keeping with the national objective of a 'Developed Bhutan by 2034', the Department of Immigration, Ministry of Home Affairs, is pleased to inform all employers engaging foreign workers that the requirement of foreign workers to exit the country for at least six months following the completion of three years stay in the Kingdom will be relaxed with effect from 11 November 2023 till 31 December 2034, as follows:

- 1) No exit requirement for foreign workers engaged in the professional category; and
- Exit duration reduced to 1 month from 6 months for foreign workers in the nonprofessional category.

The Department requests the full cooperation of employers concerned in ensuring that the extended stay of foreign workers meaningfully contribute to the fulfillment of the intended objective. All employers and the foreigner workers, must adhere to the prevailing immigration law, rules and regulations. In the event of non-compliance, the Department of Immigration shall be compelled to enforce stringent actions, including, but not limited to legal prosecution.

For further information or clarification, please contact Immigration Service Division, Department of Immigration at 02-323127 (ext: 113/120/125) during office hours.

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