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Launching of the SEM Bond index (SEM-BI)

In line with a number of initiatives implemented in recent years to improve its services to its stakeholders, the SEM is pleased to announce the launching of the SEM-Bond Index, SEM-BI, on the 14th of November 2017. Following substantive changes brought to the SEM's operational framework since 2010 in the context of its transformational move towards a multi-asset class international Exchange, the SEM has successfully attracted the listing of a growing number of debt instruments on its Debt Board. The total market capitalization of all debt instruments listed and traded on the SEM currently stands at Rs 21.5 billion. The timing is, therefore, opportune to create a Bond index which will provide bond investors with a dynamic and measurable tool of the time-series performance of the bond index constituents. The launching of SEM-BI will confirm the attractiveness of the SEM as a compelling capital-raising and listing platform for debt instruments. It will also enhance the visibility of the debt market in Mauritius.

The SEM Bond Index (SEM-BI) will comprise rupee and foreign-currency denominated debt instruments that are listed and traded on both the Official Market and the Development & Enterprise Market (DEM) and will exclude structured debt products, zero coupon debt instruments and debt instruments that have a maturity of less than one year. It will be a market capitalization based index. Market capitalization of the underlying debt instruments will be based on their last traded prices. On its launch date on the 14th November 2017, SEM-BI will have an introductory level of 100 points at the opening of the market. The base market capitalization of the SEM-BI will be equal to the total market capitalization of the underlying debt securities at market close on the 13th of November 2017.

SEM-BI will be a rupee-based Index. It will be calculated at market close on each business day and published on the SEM website and market result sheet.

For more detailed information on the indices and the rules, please visit SEM's website page: <http://www.stockexchangeofmauritius.com/downloads/SEMbondconceptpaper06112017.pdf>

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