



Qatar Corporate Tax Filing 2020



1. Arabic Financial Statements

In 2019, the General Tax Authority (“GTA”) issued Circular No.14 of 2019 providing guidance to a number of items including guidance on Law No. 7 of 2019 related to Protection of the Arabic Language.

As per Circular No. 14 of 2019, the Taxpayers are mandated to submit Arabic financial statements alongside their Tax returns, effective from **1 January 2020**.

The GTA has recently confirmed again that they will **not relax** this requirement and accordingly Arabic financial statements will be required for FY 2020.

KPMG would therefore like to remind Taxpayers of the obligation to submit the Arabic Financial Statements for 2020 Tax return filing.

2. Deadline for filing Income Tax Return and Payment of Income Tax

KPMG would like to reiterate the deadlines for filing of income tax return and related penalties for your quick reference and action:

Classification	Year end	Original Tax filing deadline	Extended deadline	Period of extension	Type of tax return on Dhareeba portal
Foreign / Taxable entities	31 December 2020	30 April 2021	30 June 2021	2 months	Full return
Qatari / GCC entities whose capital is QAR 1 million or higher, or whose annual turnover is QAR 5 million or higher	31 December 2020	30 April 2021	31 August 2021	4 months	Full return
Qatari / GCC entities whose capital is below QAR 1 million, or whose annual turnover is below QAR 5 million	31 December 2020	30 April 2021	31 August 2021	4 months	Simplified return

We recommend and urge all Taxpayers to take timely actions to ensure that the Income Tax returns and Transfer Pricing declarations are filed on time to avoid unnecessary penalties.

3. Appointment of KPMG as Tax representative on Dhareeba

As you are aware, Tax return filing is now online through the Dhareeba portal. For smooth running and to avoid unnecessary inconvenience and last minute rush, It is paramount to appoint KPMG as your Tax representatives where we are engaged to assist with Tax filing.

KPMG can assist with guidance on making the appointment.

If you have any questions, please do feel free to contact us.

Kind regards,



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