

NOTICE

Report for Consultation - Market Study into the pharmaceutical sector in Mauritius

The Executive Director of the Competition Commission (the “Executive Director”) undertook a market study to examine the conditions of competition in the pharmaceutical sector in Mauritius by virtue of his powers under the Competition Act 2007 (the “Act”). Section 30(h) of the Act provides that the Executive Director shall undertake general studies on the effectiveness of competition in individual sectors of the economy in Mauritius.

The pharmaceutical sector is essential and complementary in ensuring the effective delivery of healthcare services. It is, therefore, important to ensure the pharmaceutical sector is not constrained by regulatory or other market conditions that may unnecessarily limit competition amongst the market players to the detriment of consumers. In this regard, the market study provides for an assessment of the current conditions of competition in the pharmaceutical sector and recommendations to address the potential issues identified.

The Executive Director has, following close collaboration with the various stakeholders within the pharmaceutical industry, produced the Pharmaceutical Market Study Report for Consultation (‘the Report’). The Report can be found on the website of the Competition Commission at the following [link](#).

The Report provides for a review of the legislative framework governing the pharmaceutical sector; analysis of the market structure and concentration along the pharmaceutical supply chain; and assessment of potential competition issues. The Report also includes some recommendations to address the issues identified which are broadly in relation to the registration and pricing mechanism of pharmaceuticals as well as the importation regime.

The Executive Director is hereby soliciting the views and comments on the Report from interested parties, in writing, not later than the 12th October 2020.

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