

## Submission of 2009 Personal Income Tax (PIT) finalisation returns extended to 31 May 2010



The Ministry of Finance has just issued Official Letter No. 3142/BTC-TCT to all local tax authorities extending the statutory deadline for submission of the 2009 PIT finalisation returns to 31 May 2010 inclusive. The extended deadline should apply to both printed documents and e-filing submission.

Though not explicitly stated in OL 3142, it is believed that with the new PIT finalisation submission deadline, the PIT payment deadline would be extended to 31 May 2010 as well.

The local tax authorities are expected to confirm this and provide further guidelines to taxpayers in their respective localities.

While the extension will be warmly greeted by employers and self-finalising tax payers, we recommend that when finalising PIT for 2009, you take the opportunity of the extension to ensure you take full advantage of the tax exemption under the Government's stimulus package, the changes of the tax regulations in the first year of application and have all necessary documentation in place before submitting the finalisation forms.

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