## INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL AND TOURISM 1st SEMESTER 2013

## 1. INTRODUCTION

This issue of the Economic and Social Indicators presents data on International Travel and Tourism for the first semester of 2013. A brief on the compilation of these statistics is given at Annex II and a glossary of terms at Annex III.

## 2. INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

## 2.1 Total Passenger Traffic

Total arrivals to Mauritius showed a slight increase of 0.2% from 625,929 in the first semester of 2012 to 627,428 in the first semester of 2013.

Total departures from Mauritius to other countries increased by 0.6% from 659,910 in the first semester of 2012 to 663,566 in the first semester of 2013.

The vast majority (96.7%) of the trips (both arrivals and departures).was undertaken by air.

Passenger traffic, 1st Semester of 2012 and 2013

	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2012	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2013	% change
Arrivals by			
Air	598,828	606,971	1.4
Sea	27,101	20,457	-24.5
of which Cruise travellers	21,800	16,290	-25.3
Total	625,929	627,428	0.2
Departures by			
Air	630,663	641,343	1.7
Sea	29,247	22,223	-24
Total	659,910	663,566	0.6

## 2.2 Tourists

In the first semester of 2013, 471,664 tourists arrived in Mauritius, up by 1.0% from 467,153 in the first semester of 2012. Tourist arrivals by air increased by 1.5% from 457,868 to 464,618 while arrivals by sea decreased by 24.1% from 9,285 to 7,046.

## 2.3 Cruise travelers

In the first semester of 2013, 10 cruise ships arrived in the country and carried some 16,290 cruise travelers made up of 4,515 tourists, 6,700 excursionists (arriving and leaving on the same day), 15 Mauritian residents and 5,060 crew members.

## 2.4 Excursionists

The total number of excursionists went up by 11.2% from 11,390 in the first semester of 2012 to 12,688 in the first semester of 2013. Out of them, 5,940 (46.9%) arrived by air and 6,728 (53.1%) by sea.

#### 2.5 Mauritian Residents

The number of departures of Mauritian residents increased by 6.5% from 109,463 in the first semester of 2012 to 116,593 in the first semester of 2013.

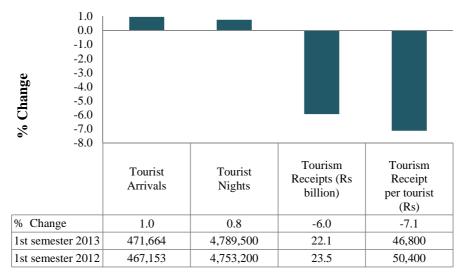
The most popular countries of disembarkation (country of final destination or transit country) were United Arab Emirates (19,755 or 16.9%), Reunion Island (18,454 or 15.8%), France (16,055 or 13.8%), Republic of South Africa (12,299 or 10.5%), India (11,671 or 10.0%) and United Kingdom (9,915 or 8.5%).

20000 18000 Number of departures 16000 14000 12000 10000 8000 **2012** 6000 ■2013 4000 2000 UAE Reunion France South India UK Africa Country of disembarkation

Figure 1 - Mauritian departures by major country of disembarkation, 1st semester of 2012 and 2013

## 3. TOURISM

Figure 2 - % change in main tourism indicators,  $1^{st}$  semester of 2013 compared to  $1^{st}$  semester of 2012



## 3.1 Tourist Arrivals

Tourist arrivals increased by 1.0% from 467,153 in the first semester of 2012 to 471,664, in the first semester of 2013.

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Country of Residence

Figure 3 - Tourist Arrivals from main and emerging markets 1st semester of 2012 and 2013

Four of the top five tourist-generating countries recorded growths while France, the top most country registered a decline of 6.1%:

Country of Residence	% change
France	-6.1
Reunion	+0.5
United Kingdom	+12.5
South Africa	+2.8
India	+8.4

Among the emerging markets, China and India registered growths of +77.4% and +8.4% respectively while Russia registered a decline of -24.7%.

Statistics on arrivals of tourists residing in France & Reunion have been revised from January 2011 to March 2012 and are at Annex I.

## 3.2 Tourist Arrivals from selected countries

In the 1<sup>st</sup> semester of 2013, Mauritius registered an increase of 1.0 % in tourist arrivals much lower than Maldives (17.8%), Sri Lanka (13.1 %) and Seychelles (14.3 %),

Figure 4-Tourist Arrivals for Mauritius, Maldives, Sri Lanka & Seychelles, 1st semester 2012 & 2013 600,000 500,000 Number of tourists 400,000 300,000 200,000 100,000 Mauritius Maldives Sri Lanka Seychelles ■ 1st sem. 2012 467,153 458,068 452.867 98,413 ■ 1st sem. 2013 471,664 539,667 512,281 112,509 ■% change 1.0 17.8 13.1 14.3

Source : Seychelles National Bureau of Statistics; Maldives Statistics section - Ministry of Tourism Arts & Culture; Sri lanka Tourism Development Authority

## 3.3 Tourist Nights

The number of nights spent by tourists increased by 0.8% from 4,753 thousand in the first semester of 2012 to 4,790 thousand in the first semester of 2013 but the average length of stay remained at 10.2 nights per tourist.

## **3.4 Gross Tourism Receipts**

According to the Bank of Mauritius, the gross tourism receipts decreased by 6.3% from Rs 23,548 million in the first semester of 2012 to Rs 22,055 million in the first semester of 2013. Tourism receipts per tourist therefore declined from Rs 50,407 to Rs 46,670

## 3.5 Employment

Employment data for the tourism sector as obtained from the Survey of Employment and Earnings relate to employment in restaurants, hotels and, travel and tourism establishments with 10 or more workers. Latest available data indicate that employment in these establishments decreased by 0.4% from 28,130 in March 2011 to 28,030 in March 2012.

## 3.6 Accommodation

## Registered hotels

As at end of June 2013, there were 116 registered hotels of which 109 were in operation and 7 were not operating due to renovation works. The room capacity of the 109 operating hotels was 11,977 with 24,438 bed places.

During the first semester of 2013,

- the room occupancy rate of all registered hotels in operation averaged 60% down from 62%; and
- the bed occupancy rate averaged 52%, down from 55% in the first semester of 2012.

## 'Large' hotels

At the end of June 2013, 49 'large' hotels (i.e. well-established beach hotels with more than 80 rooms) were in operation; they had a room capacity of 8,962 with 18,336 bed places. These

'large' hotels represent 45% of all registered hotels but make up 75% of both total room capacity and total bedplaces.

During the first semester of 2013,

- the room occupancy rate of 'large' hotels was 61% down from 64%; and
- the bed occupancy rate was 54%, down from 56% in the first semester of 2012.

## 3.7 Forecast Year 2013

Based on latest available data on tourist arrivals and information gathered from stakeholders, the forecast of tourist arrivals for the year 2013 is revised downwards from 990,000 to 980,000. Compared to 2012 when the number of tourists totaled 965,441, this represents an increase of 1.5%.

According to the Bank of Mauritius, tourism receipts for the year 2013 will be around Rs. 44,600 million up by 0.5% from Rs 44,378 million in 2012.

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Table 1:- Passenger Traffic 1 by month, 2011 - 2013

Nr. d	20	)11	20	12	2013 <sup>2</sup>		
Month			Arrivals	Departures	Arrivals	Departures	
January	133,081	156,319	132,789	154,685	124,571	149,067	
February	103,237	102,527	105,802	106,969	103,021	103,726	
March	109,308	117,231	106,939	111,605	117,619	117,253	
1st Quarter	345,626	376,077	345,530	373,259	345,211	370,046	
April	106,615	103,457	109,760	110,366	105,561	109,657	
May	90,193	98,535	92,684	100,829	97,003	106,945	
June	81,113	80,054	77,955	75,456	79,653	76,918	
2nd Quarter	277,921	282,046	280,399	286,651	282,217	293,520	
1st Semester	623,547	658,123	625,929	659,910	627,428	663,566	
July	110,611	98,700	105,542	94,119			
August	96,238	103,142	93,502	102,936			
September	88,382	87,962	89,426	90,724			
3rd Quarter	295,231	289,804	288,470	287,779			
Jan. to Sep.	918,778	947,927	914,399	947,689			
October	114,833	111,676	113,613	106,643			
November	113,864	110,704	110,477	110,296			
December	146,912	122,832	148,355	121,463			
4th Quarter	375,609	345,212	372,445	338,402			
2nd Semester	670,840	635,016	660,915	626,181			
Whole Year	1,294,387	1,293,139	1,286,844	1,286,091			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Excluding inter islands traffic

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Provisional

Table 2 : - Departure of Mauritian residents by country of disembarkation  $^1$ , January - June of 2012 and 2013

Country of disembarkation	2012	2013	% Change
EUROPE	31,249	27,951	-10.6
France	15,049	16,055	6.7
Germany	1,943	964	-50.4
Italy	1,885	939	-50.2
Switzerland	686	77	-88.8
United Kingdom	11,664	9,915	-15.0
Other European	22	1	-95.5
AFRICA	34,406	40,178	16.8
Malagasy Republic	4,607	5,557	20.6
Reunion	16,348	18,454	12.9
Seychelles	1,839	2,018	9.7
S. Africa, Rep. of	10,287	12,299	19.6
Zimbabwe	-	-	-
Other African	1,325	1,850	39.6
ASIA	38,695	44,016	13.8
P. Rep. of China	1,310	1,126	-14.0
Hong Kong SAR <sup>2</sup>	4,447	4,059	-8.7
India	11,968	11,671	-2.5
Indonesia	-	135	-
Malaysia	1,596	3,233	102.6
Singapore	4,350	4,034	-7.3
Saudi Arabia	-	-	-
United Arab Emirates	15,023	19,755	31.5
Other Asian	1	3	200.0
OCEANIA	5,099	4,436	-13.0
Australia	5,099	4,436	-13.0
Other Oceanian	-	-	-
NOT STATED	14	12	-14.3
All Countries	109,463	116,593	6.5

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Country of disembarkation may either be the country of final destination or the transit country

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Special Administrative Region of China

Table 3:- Tourist arrivals by month, 2011 - 2013

Ma	onth -	Number					
1010	onth	2011	2012	2013 1			
January		101,887	98,837	92,894			
February		77,390	79,331	81,185			
March		83,349	83,827	91,759			
	1st Quarter	<u>262,626</u>	<u>261,995</u>	<u>265,838</u>			
April		79,173	79,137	76,223			
May		68,214	71,396	74,596			
June		54,591	54,625	55,007			
	2nd Quarter	<u>201,978</u>	205,158	<u>205,826</u>			
	1st Semester	464,604	467,153	471,664			
July		78,034	76,166				
August		66,865	65,896				
September		64,880	66,369				
	3rd Quarter	<u>209,779</u>	<u>208,431</u>				
	Jan. to Sep.	674,383	675,584				
October		90,616	89,994				
November		87,348	84,398				
December		112,295	115,465				
	4th Quarter	<u>290,259</u>	<u>289,857</u>				
	2nd Semester	500,038	498,288				
Whole	e Year	964,642	965,441				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Provisional

Table 4:- Tourist arrivals by main purpose of visit, January - June of 2012 and 2013

Purpose of visit	2012	2013 1	% Change
Holiday	433,295	437,694	1.0
Business	19,104	18,588	-2.7
Transit	11,610	11,082	-4.5
Conference	1,864	2,956	58.6
Sports	550	523	-4.9
Other & Not Stated	730	821	12.5
Total	467,153	471,664	1.0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Provisional

Table 5: - Tourist Arrivals by Country of Residence, January - June of 2012 and 2013

		2013 1							% Change
	1st			2013					Jan-Jun
Country of residence	semester 2012	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	1st semester	2012 to Jan-Jun 2013
EUROPE	274,472	51,529	52,839	54,354	47,816	34,773	22,889	264,200	-3.7
Austria	4,437	898	1,106	885	644	398	260	4,191	-5.5
Belgium	4,676	1,021	762	992	1,235	618	662	5,290	13.1
France	132,241 4	25,478	26,550	26,092	22,973	15,005	8,096	124,194	-6.1
Germany	25,644	5,525	5,216	5,824	4,680	4,723	2,861	28,829	12.4
Italy	20,918	3,699	3,467	2,844	2,159	1,287	1,403	14,859	-29.0
Netherlands	1,720	270	261	243	394	309	316	1,793	4.2
Spain	4,230	257	318	944	613	547	632	3,311	-21.7
Sweden	1,814	521	539	403	197	107	147	1,914	5.5
Switzerland	11,590	2,198	2,728	2,576	2,573	1,269	645	11,989	3.4
United Kingdom	37,909	5,664	6,445	9,041	7,675	7,657	6,166	42,648	12.5
CIS <sup>2</sup>	13,661	3,233	1,570	1,613	2,674	1,413	470	10,973	-19.7
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Russian Federation	11,754	2,707	1,177	1,229	2,290	1,110	343	8,856	-24.7
Czech Republic	2,891	594	893	541	532	321	187	3,068	6.1
Denmark	1,170	259	596	428	151	103	69	1,606	37.3
Luxemburg	418	52	66	174	43	56	25	416	-0.5
Norway	1,679	209	451	395	80	95	201	1,431	-14.8
Other European	9,474	1,651	1,871	1,359	1,193	865	749	7,688	-18.9
AFRICA	124,520	30,678	13,171	25,704	16,842	24,070	16,553	127,018	2.0
Comoros	459	101	73	85	114	112	91	576	25.5
Kenya	1,254	186	169	219	172	189	175	1,110	-11.5
Malagasy Rep.	5,980	1,145	1,051	1,259	1,122	950	936	6,463	8.1
Reunion	67,932 4	22,431	5,353	13,958	5,430	15,120	5,975	68,267	0.5
Seychelles	3,264	432	312	448	675	704	642	3,213	-1.6
S. Africa, Rep. of	39,844	5,760	5,331	8,645	7,966	5,418	7,820	40,940	2.8
Zimbabwe	744	42	66	99	157	156	66	586	-21.2
Other African	5,043	581	816	991	1,206	1,421	848	5,863	16.3
ASIA	51,353	7,914	12,880	9,203	8,890	12,573	12,664	64,124	24.9
Hong Kong SAR <sup>3</sup>	567	58	156	172	69	45	88	588	3.7
India	29,371	4,289	5,362	3,751	3,958	7,499	6,978	31,837	8.4
Japan	730	180	145	109	71	145	130	780	6.8
Korea Republic	1,143	171	157	230	212	211	223	1,204	5.3
Malaysia	796	66	254	224	121	281	172	1,118	40.5
P. Rep. of China	9,633	1,682	5,229	2,412	2,562	2,297	2,908	17,090	77.4
Singapore	953	124	130	163	185	185	197	984	3.3
United Arab Emirates	2,022	432	550	705	695	728	836	3,946	95.2
Other Asian	6,138	912	897	1,437	1,017	1,182	1,132	6,577	7.2
OCEANIA	8,025	1,136	860	1,176	1,695	1,723	1,608	8,198	2.2
Australia	7,617	1,084	811	1,133	1,626	1,604	1,555	7,813	2.6
Other Oceanian	408	52	49	43	69	119	53	385	-5.6
AMERICA	8,475	1,528	1,362	1,238	890	1,383	1,241	7,642	-9.8
USA	3,563	368	412	537	330	546	618	2,811	-21.1
Canada	2,144	346	341	305	271	309	391	1,963	-8.4
Brazil	1,580	385	318	202	168	263	108	1,444	-8.6
Other American	1,188	429	291	194	121	265	124	1,424	19.9
OTHER & N.STATED	308	109	73	84	90	74	52	482	56.5
All Countries	467,153	92,894	81,185	91,759	76,223	74,596	55,007	471,664	1.0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Provisional

 $<sup>^2\</sup> Commonwealth\ of\ Independent\ States\ (Ex\ Soviet\ Union\ Countries)$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Special Administrative Region of China <sup>4</sup> Revised

Table 6:- Tourist arrivals, nights, average length of stay and receipts, 2010 - 2013

	Year	Tourist arrivals (Number)	Tourist nights <sup>1</sup> (000)	Average Length of stay <sup>1</sup>	Tourism receipts <sup>2</sup> (Rs million)	
2010	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester	439,150	4,376	10.0	19,809	
	Year	495,677 934,827	5,275 9,651	10.6 10.3	19,647 39,456	
2011	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester Year	464,604 500,038 964,642	4,517 5,483 10,000	9.7 11.0 10.4	21,304 21,413 42,717	
2012	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester Year	467,153 498,288 965,441	4,753 5,487 10,240 <sup>3</sup>	10.2 11.0 10.6	23,548 20,830 44,378	
2013 <sup>3</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	471,664	4,790 <sup>3</sup>	10.2	22,055	

<sup>1</sup> Revised

Table 7:- Hotels, rooms and bedplaces, 2010 - 2013

V	ear	Numbe	er as at end of per	iod	
1	ai	Hotels	Rooms	Bedplaces	
2010	1st Qr.	105	11,564	23,547	
	2nd Qr.	104	11,362	23,168	
	3rd Qr.	104	11,383	23,296	
	4th Qr.	112	12,075	24,698	
2011	1st Qr.	112	12,082	24,664	
	2nd Qr.	111	11,999	24,493	
	3rd Qr.	109	11,816	24,018	
	4th Qr.	109	11,925	24,242	
2012	1st Qr.	110	12,027	24,446	
	2nd Qr.	107	11,822	24,089	
	3rd Qr.	105	11,715	23,899	
	4th Qr.	117	12,527	25,496	
2013 1	1st Qr.	117	12,676	25,887	
	2nd Qr.	109 <sup>2</sup>	11,977	24,438	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Provisional

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Source: Bank of Mauritius

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Provisional

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Excluding seven hotels not operational because of renovation works

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Table 8:- Monthly Occupancy Rates (%) for All Hotels and "Large" Hotels, 2011 - 2013

	All Hotels "Large" Hotels												
Month	20	11	20	12	2013 1		20	2011		2012		2013 1	
	Room	Bed	Room	Bed	Room	Bed	Room	Bed	Room	Bed	Room	Bed	
January	75	66	74	65	67	59	76	67	76	67	69	61	
February	68	60	67	59	66	57	70	61	69	60	67	59	
March	64	57	65	57	63	56	66	58	66	58	66	58	
1st Quarter	<u>69</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>59</u>	
April	64	57	62	55	60	53	68	60	66	58	63	56	
May	55	49	59	52	58	51	57	50	61	54	61	53	
June	44	38	45	39	42	36	45	39	46	41	42	37	
2nd Quarter	<u>55</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>49</u>	
1st Semester	65	57	62	55	60	52	64	56	64	56	61	54	
July	53	47	52	45			54	48	53	47			
August	57	51	56	50			60	53	60	52			
September	64	57	60	53			66	58	62	54			
3rd Quarter	<u>58</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>49</u>			<u>60</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>51</u>			
Jan. to Sep.	63	55	60	53			63	55	62	55			
October	68	60	67	59			70	61	70	62			
November	74	66	69	61			76	67	71	63			
December	73	64	71	63			74	65	74	65			
4th Quarter	<u>72</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>61</u>			<u>73</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>63</u>			
2nd Semester	64	57	63	55			65	58	65	57			
Whole Year	65	57	62	55			65	57	65	57			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Provisional

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Table 9:- Employment in the tourist industry as at end of March, 2008 - 2012

Year Establishments			2010	2011	2012
Restaurants	2,251	2,431	2,464	2,409	2,511
Hotels	22,314	20,478	20,847	21,672	21,628
Travel and Tourism	4,188	4,093	3,850	4,052	3,888
Total	28,753	27,002	27,161	28,133	28,027

Source: Survey of Employment and Earnings in large Establishments (i.e employing 10 or more persons)

#### **CORRIGENDUM**

- 1. The table title to read "January 2011 March 2012" instead of "January 2011 March 2013"
- 2. Footnote 1, line 2, "Prior to April 2013" to read "Prior to April 2012"
- 3. Footnote 1, line 5, "prior to 2013" to read "prior to April 2012"
- 4. The corrected version is at Annex 1 (a)

# Estimates $^{1/}$ of tourist arrivals from Reunion Island and France, January 2011 - March 2013

Period	Reunion	France
January 2011	25,125	29,650
February 2011	3,983	29,524
March 2011	12,226	28,296
April 2011	5,440	25,605
May 2011	12,123	16,354
June 2011	7,006	10,235
July 2011	15,917	19,648
August 2011	8,313	15,480
September 2011	6,425	13,158
October 2011	12,174	26,904
November 2011	6,640	34,316
December 2011	17,163	33,299
Total 2011	132,535	282,469
January 2012	21,086	29,467
February 2012	5,627	30,858
March 2012	12,687	24,130
1st Quarter 2012	39,400	84,455

<sup>1/</sup> Revised

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Estimates  $^{1\prime}$  of tourist arrivals from Reunion Island and France, January 2011 - March 2012

Period	Reunion	France
January 2011	25,125	29,650
February 2011	3,983	29,524
March 2011	12,226	28,296
April 2011	5,440	25,605
May 2011	12,123	16,354
June 2011	7,006	10,235
July 2011	15,917	19,648
August 2011	8,313	15,480
September 2011	6,425	13,158
October 2011	12,174	26,904
November 2011	6,640	34,316
December 2011	17,163	33,299
Total 2011	132,535	282,469
January 2012	21,086	29,467
February 2012	5,627	30,858
March 2012	12,687	24,130
1st Quarter 2012	39,400	84,455

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#### BRIEF ON COMPILATION OF PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS

#### Sources of data

The main source of data for the compilation of passenger traffic statistics is the Passport and Immigration Office, which maintains a database of all travellers entering and leaving the country. The data are collected from the passport of travellers, disembarkation cards filled in by non-residents and questions put to non-residents entering the country. At the end of every month, the electronic database of passenger traffic for that particular month is downloaded and supplied to the statistics unit of the Ministry of Tourism and Leisure within fifteen days. Additional data on cruises are obtained from the Mauritius Ports Authority.

## **Tourism receipts**

The Bank of Mauritius is responsible for the estimation of tourism receipts based on monthly statements of Inward and Outward Remittances of Commercial Banks.

## **Monthly Occupancy Rates**

All hotels are contacted by phone at the end of every month for data on room/bed nights available and rented during the month for the calculation of room and bed occupancy rates.

## **Short-term projections of tourist arrivals**

A Tourism Statistics Committee grouping various stakeholders of the tourism industry meet regularly under the chairmanship of the Director of the Statistics Mauritius to discuss performance of the tourism sector and to provide information for short-term forecast of tourist arrivals.

## **Publications**

The regular publications of the unit are:

- (i) Monthly tourist arrivals (by mid of each month)
- (ii) Quarterly Economic and Social Indicators on International Travel and Tourism (with a lag of seven weeks)
- (iii) Quarterly tourism statistics (Pamphlet)
- (iv) Digest of International Travel and Tourism (August )
- (v) Handbook of statistical data on tourism (August )
- (vi) Report of the Survey of Inbound and Outbound Tourism

ANNEX III

## **GLOSSARY OF TERMS**

## 1. Tourist

A tourist is defined as a non-resident staying overnight but less than a year, and who has no employer-employee relationship with a resident.

## 2. Transit

A transit passenger is one who stops over in the country for flight connections to other destinations. There are two types of transit passengers:

Type I: Passengers who do not leave the transit area of the airport or the harbour.

*Type II*: Passengers who do leave the airport or harbour and stay in the country overnight but only for flight connection purposes.

Only Type II transit passengers, as defined above, are included in the definition of "Tourists".

## 3. Excursionist or Same-day Visitor

Excursionists are non-resident visitors, other than those who do not leave the airport, who depart on the same day they arrived.

## 4. Tourist Nights

"Tourist nights" for year Y refer to tourist nights spent by tourists arriving in year Y.

## 5. Large Hotels

Large hotels are well established beach hotels with more than 80 rooms.

## 6. Occupancy rate

The room/bed occupancy rate is the ratio of room/bed nights rented to the total number of room/bed nights available.

= <u>Total number of room/bed nights rented</u> x 100 Total number of room/bed nights available

## **7. CIS**

CIS denotes the Commonwealth of Independent States. It consists of the States of the former Soviet Union.