

DATE: 15 November 2024

#### CIM FINANCIAL SERVICES LTD

(Incorporated with limited liability in the Republic of Mauritius under registration no. 57494)

Issue of up to MUR 2,000,000,000 CFSL 4.10% 08/12/25

UNDER THE MUR 9,000,000,000

#### MEDIUM TERM NOTE PROGRAMME

LEC/P/10-1/2024

This document (the 'Pricing Supplement') constitutes the Applicable Pricing Supplement relating to the issue of the Series of Notes described herein. Terms used herein shall be deemed to be defined as such for the purposes of the Terms and Condition set out in the Listing Particulars dated 18 October 2024. The Notes described in this Pricing Supplement are subject to the Terms and Conditions in the Listing Particulars and this Pricing Supplement must be read in conjunction with such Listing Particulars. To the extent that there is any conflict or inconsistency between the contents of this Pricing Supplement and the Listing Particulars, the provisions of this Pricing Supplement shall prevail. The Pricing Supplement and the Listing Particulars have been prepared in compliance with the Securities Act 2005 and contain relevant information relating to the offer and placement of the Series of Notes described herein, as required under the Securities (Preferential Offer) Rules 2017, the Guidelines for Issue of Corporate and Green Bonds in Mauritius issued by the FSC and the rules made by the SEM for the listing of securities on the Official List of the SEM.

Applications will be considered only from Persons to whom this Pricing Supplement has been sent by, or on behalf of, CIM FINANCIAL SERVICES LTD. Only such Persons have the right to apply for the Notes hereunder in terms of this Pricing Supplement and, therefore, such Persons may not sell, transfer, cede, assign or renounce the right in favour of any other Person. This Pricing Supplement is not for publication or circulation.

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| 1.1. | Issuer  | CIM FINANCIAL SERVICES LTD   |
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| 1.2. | Issue:  |  |
|      | 1.2.1. Series Name  | CFSL 4.10% 08/12/25  |
|      | 1.2.2. Specified Currency   | Mauritian Rupee (MUR)  |
|      | 1.2.3. Credit Rating of the Notes   | CARE MAU AA; Positive  |
| 1.3. | Nominal Amount:   |  |
|      | 1.3.1. Nominal Amount   | MUR 100,000  |
|      | 1.3.2. Aggregate Nominal Amount   | Up to MUR 2,000,000,000 across the Current Series  |
|      | 1.3.3. Permitted oversubscription   | Not Applicable   |
|      | <b>1.3.4.</b> Minimum subscription  | For the Issue to be successful, a minimum of 20% of the Aggregate Nominal Amount must be raised. |
|      | 1.3.5. Actual Amount Raised   | MUR 1,000,000,000  |
|      | <b>1.3.6.</b> Estimate of net proceeds of the issue of the Notes under the Current Series | MUR 1,991,675,000  |
| 1.4. | Issue Date  | 08 November 2024   |







| 1.5.  | Minimum subscription per<br>Noteholder  | MUR 1,000,000   |
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| 1.6.  | <b>Specified Denomination of Notes</b>  | MUR 100,000   |
| 1.7.  | Issue Price   | 100 per cent of the Nominal Amount  |
| 1.8.  | Status of the Notes   | The Notes issued in accordance with this Pricing<br>Supplement are senior secured notes. (see the<br>section titled 'Security' below).  |
| 1.9.  | Final Redemption Amount   | 100 per cent of the Nominal Amount  |
| 1.10. | Form of Notes   | The Notes will be issued in registered and uncertificated form. Legal ownership of the Notes will be reflected in book entries recorded by the Issuing and Paying Agent on the Register, which shall constitute the definitive evidence of the title of the Noteholder to the number of Notes shown against his name.   |
| 1.11. | Notification of Allotment   | All applicants will be notified by email and/or telephone of their allotment by no later than 15h00 Mauritius Time on 06 November 2024.   |
| 1.12. | Method of Sale  | Private placement   |
| 1.13. | Book Runner   | IZAR Ltd  |
| 1.14. | Exchange  | The Official List of The Stock Exchange of Mauritius Ltd  |
| 1.15. | Additional Business Centre  | Not applicable  |
| 1.16. | Use of proceeds   | The estimated net proceeds of the Notes as set out in paragraph 1.3.6 of this Pricing Supplement will be used by the Issuer to finance or refinance, in whole or in part, 'Eligible Green Assets' as this term is defined in the Issuer's Green Bond Framework.   |
| 1.17. | Implementation schedule of projects to be funded by the proceeds of the Notes | The Issuer anticipates that approximately MUR 1,500m will be utilized to refinance assets, including maturing green notes, already within the Green Bond Asset Portfolio. Additionally, there is expected to be a disbursement of approximately MUR 500m across the designated categories and project types that the Issuer has identified in the Green Bond Framework. These categories and the types of projects within each category are listed under the section 'Use of Proceeds' in the Green Bond Framework.  The allocation to these projects is expected to be dynamic and will respond to the market behaviour / demand. The disbursement will occur on specific pre identified projects (which shall consist of assets being leased) with the full value of the project paid upfront at the time of approval of the lease. The tenor of the lease will typically be between 3 and 10 years based on the credit quality of the applicant, the asset being financed, and the tenor being applied for by the applicant. |







|       |                             | The unallocated proceeds of the Notes will be managed by the Issuer in accordance with the section 'Management of Proceeds' of the Green Bond Framework. |
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| 1.18. | Corporate Finance Advisor   | IZAR Ltd   |
| 1.19. | Issuing and Paying Agent    | DTOS Registry Services Ltd   |
| 1.20. | Noteholders' Representative | Mr. Amritraj Dassyne   |

| 2. F | PROVIS | IONS RELATING TO INTEREST     | PAYABLE  |
|------|--------|-------------------------------|--|
| 2.1. | Fixed  | Rate Note Provisions          |  |
|      | i.     | Offer opens                   | 21 October 2024  |
|      | ii.    | Offer closes                  | 05 November 2024 at 12h00 Mauritius Time   |
|      | III.   | Allotment date                | 05 November 2024   |
|      | iv.    | Announcement date             | 06 November 2024   |
|      | ٧.     | Payment date                  | 08 November 2024 at 12h00 Mauritius Time   |
|      | vi.    | Issue Date                    | 08 November 2024   |
|      | vii.   | Interest Rate                 | 4.10% per annum  |
|      | viii.  | Day Count Fraction            | Actual/ Actual   |
|      | ix.    | Interest Commencement<br>Date | The Issue Date   |
|      | х.     | Maturity Date                 | 08 December 2025   |
|      | хi.    | Interest period               | The first Interest Period shall commence on the Interest Commencement Date and shall end on the day preceding the first Interest Payment Date and the second Interest Period shall commence on the day following the expiry of the first Interest Period and shall end on the Maturity Date. |
|      | хii.   | Delivery date                 | The Issuing and Paying Agent will provide a letter of confirmation to the successful applicants against cleared funds within fifteen (15) days of the Issue Date.  |
|      | xiii.  | Interest Payment Dates        | The first Interest Payment Date shall be 08 May 2025. The second Interest Payment Date shall be the Maturity Date.   |

| 3. F | 3. PROVISIONS REGARDING EARLY REDEMPTION           |                |  |  |  |
|------|--|----------------|--|--|--|
| 3.1. | Call Option  | Not Applicable |  |  |  |
| 3.2. | Call Option Notice Period                          | Not Applicable |  |  |  |
| 3.3. | Call Option Exercise Period                        | Not Applicable |  |  |  |
| 3.4. | 3.4. Third Party Approvals required Not Applicable |                |  |  |  |
| 4. F | 4. PROVISIONS RELATING TO SECURED NOTES            |                |  |  |  |

The Notes subject to this Pricing Supplement will be secured by a floating charge on the Issuer's movable and immovable assets as more fully set out under the Security Agreement.







It has been the practice of the Issuer to enter into a pari passu agreement with all beneficiaries of floating charges created by the Issuer pursuant to which all the floating charges rank pari passu among themselves. Within a period of nine (9) months after the Issue Date, the Issuer will procure that the Security Agent enters into a pari passu agreement with the Issuer and the beneficiaries of all the signature charges. Following transcription of such pari passu agreement, the security created under the Security Agreement will rank pari passu with all of the other floating charges created by the Issuer. The deed of charge and agency to be entered into between the Issuer and the Security Agent on or about 05 November 2024. AfrAsia Bank Ltd

4.3. Security Agent(s) as of the date of this Applicable Pricing Supplement

Security Agreement(s)



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| 5. 0 | GENERAL   |   |
|------|---|---|
| 5.1. | Additional selling restrictions   | Not Applicable  |
| 5.2. | Settlement procedures and settlement instructions   | By electronic transfer in immediately available funds             |
| 5.3. | Details of bank account(s) to which<br>Settlement Procedures and Settlem  | payments are to be made in respect of the Notes ent Instructions: |
|      | <b>5.3.1.</b> Beneficiary Name <b>5.3.2.</b> Beneficiary Account Number   | CIM FINANCIAL SERVICES LTD (DTOS)<br>100136000000016              |
|      | <ul><li>5.3.3. IBAN Number</li><li>5.3.4. Beneficiary Bank Name</li><li>5.3.5. Beneficiary Bank's Address</li></ul> | MU23AFBL250110013600000016MUR<br>AfrAsia Bank Ltd<br>Bowen Square |
|      | 3.3.3. Beneficiary bunk 37 daress   | 10, Dr Ferriere Street, Port- Louis Mauritius                     |
|      | 5.3.6. Swift code   | AFBLMUMU  |
| 5.4. | ISIN Number   | MU0373D01771  |
| 5.5. | Notices   | Email notices only  |



- 6. FINANCIAL COVENANTS
- 6.1. Pursuant to Condition 20 and as Financial Covenants, as of each Calculation Date:
  - (a) The Accounting Group shall have an ICR of at least 1.75;
  - (b) The Accounting Group shall have a DER not exceeding 7.5;
  - (c) The Accounting Group shall maintain a CAR of at least 12%; and

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- (d) The Issuer shall maintain a CR of at least 10% of total outstanding Debt Capital Market Funding.
- 6.2. In this section, the following capitalised terms have the meaning set out below:
  - (a) 'Accounting Group' means the Issuer and its subsidiaries;
  - (b) 'Balance Sheet Date' means the balance sheet date of the Issuer from time to time, currently being 30 September;
  - (c) 'Calculation Date' means the Balance Sheet Date;
  - (d) 'CAR' means the capital adequacy ratio which shall be calculated as per the guidelines issued by the Bank of Mauritius (as amended from time to time);
  - (e) 'CR' means the cash reserve of 10% of total outstanding Debt Capital Market Funding of the Issuer. The Issuer may invest the CR in Government-issued securities and deposits with banks regulated by the Bank of Mauritius;
  - (f) 'Debt Capital Market Funding' means debt funding of the Issuer through the issuance of instruments under a bond issuance programme or a medium term note programme;
  - (g) 'DER' means the ratio obtained by dividing: (i) Total Liabilities; with (ii) Total Equity;
  - (h) 'EBITDA' means the consolidated earnings of the Accounting Group before interests, tax, depreciation and amortisation;
  - (i) 'ICR' means the ratio obtained by dividing: (i) the EBITDA during the 12 months preceding the Calculation Date; with (ii) the interest expense of the Accounting Group during that same period;
  - (j) 'Total Equity' means the sum of paid-up ordinary share capital, subordinated shareholders' loans, retained earnings or accumulated losses, preference shares redeemable at the option of the relevant entity forming part of the Accounting Group, immovable property revaluation reserve, other reserves and non-controlling interests as of the Calculation Date; and
  - (k) 'Total Liabilities' means the difference obtained between (i) the aggregate of all sums borrowed in the name of the entities forming part of the Accounting Group as of the Calculation Date; and (ii) the aggregate balances of all bank accounts and bank deposits held in the name of the entities forming part of the Accounting Group as of the Calculation Date.
- 6.3. The Financial Covenants mentioned above will be calculated on the basis of the annual consolidated audited accounts of the Issuer and will be calculated as of each Calculation Date.
- 6.4. Unless agreed by the Noteholders' Representative and the Issuer, there will be no change in the methodology by which these Financial Covenants are calculated.

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#### 7. ADDITIONAL COVENANTS: GREEN BOND COVENANTS

The Notes issued pursuant to this Pricing Supplement qualify as 'Green Bonds' under the Guidelines for issue of Corporate and Green Bonds in Mauritius issued by the FSC.

Appendix 1 sets out a Green Bond Framework that has been adopted by the Issuer prior to the date of this Pricing Supplement. The Issuer may amend or vary the Green Bond Framework from time to time and the Issuer shall, within thirty (30) days of any amendment or variation to the Green Bond Framework, notify in writing the Noteholders of such amendment or variation.

Furthermore, the Issuer undertakes to the Noteholders that, for so long as the Notes are in issue: (a) it shall comply with the Green Bond Framework; and (b) it shall procure that the Notes qualify as 'Green Bonds' under the Guidelines for issue of Corporate and Green Bonds in Mauritius issued by the FSC from time to time. If the Issuer breaches this undertaking and fails to remedy such breach within ninety (90) Business Days (or such longer Period as the Noteholders may reasonably determine) after notice thereof has been given to the Issuer, such breach shall constitute an 'Event of Default' under the Terms and Conditions.



## 8. ADDITIONAL RIGHT OF THE ISSUER IN RESPECT OF THE SECURITY AGREEMENTS

Not applicable



#### 9. MATERIAL ADVERSE CHANGE STATEMENT

There has been no significant change in the financial, trading position or prospects of the Issuer since the publications of the audited financial statements as at 30 September 2023 and the abridged unaudited financial statements for the 9 months ended 30 June 2024.



#### 10. INTEREST OF NATURAL AND LEGAL PERSONS INVOLVED IN THE ISSUE/OFFER

So far as the Issuer is aware, no person involved in the offer of the Notes has an interest material to the offer.



#### 11. LISTING PARTICULARS

Application will be made to the SEM to list the Notes under this Pricing Supplement for the Actual Amount Raised of the Aggregate Nominal Amount. On the first date of trading of these Notes, Notes having an aggregate nominal amount of at least MUR 1,000,000 will be made available for trading at par.



#### 12. RESPONSIBILITY AND STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in this Pricing Supplement which, when read together with the Listing Particulars, contains all information that is material in the context of the issue of the Notes. The Issuer certifies that, to the best of its knowledge and belief: (1) there are no facts that have been omitted from the Listing Particulars which would make any statement false or misleading; and (2) all reasonable enquiries to ascertain such facts have been made.

The Issuer accepts full responsibility for the information contained in the Listing Particulars, the Pricing Supplements and the abridged unaudited financial statements for the 9 months ended 30 June 2024 and any amendments to the abridged unaudited financial statements for the 9 months ended 30 June 2024 or any supplements from time to time, except as otherwise stated therein.

This Pricing Supplement and the Listing Particulars have been prepared in compliance with the principles set out in the Guidelines on the Issue of Corporate and Green Bonds issued by the FSC, the Securities Act 2005, the rules made by the SEM for the listing of securities on the Official List of



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the SEMand contain relevant information relating to the offer and placement of the Notes described herein, as required under the Securities (Preferential Offer) Rules 2017.



#### 13. AMENDMENT TO THIS PRICING SUPPLEMENT

This Pricing Supplement may be amended from time to time by the Issuer without the consent of the Noteholders only to the extent mandatorily required by the SEM and/or the FSC in connection with the issue of the Guidelines on the issue of Corporate and Green Bonds in Mauritius (as amended from time to time), the Securities (Preferential Offer) Rules 2017 (as amended from time to time) and the rules made by the SEM for the listing of securities on the Official List of the SEM (as amended from time to time).



#### CIM FINANCIAL SERVICES LTD

Signed on 15 November 2024

By: Piang Cheong Chin Koon Siw

Group CFO of CIM Financial Services Ltd

By: Tioumitra Panday Woogra Maharahaje

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Executive Director & Group CEO of CIM

Financial Services Ltd

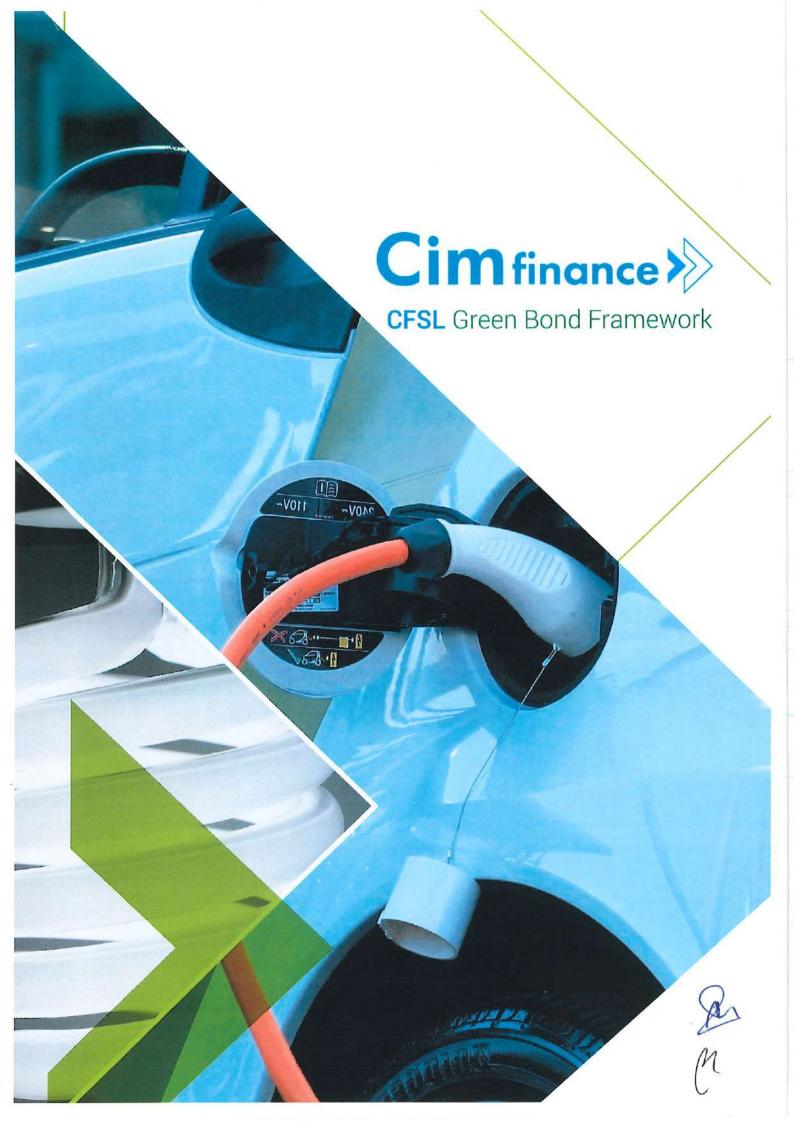
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Appendix 1 – Green Bond Framework

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#### Introduction

Cim Financial Services Limited (CFSL) is a multinational financial services group (the 'Group') listed on the Official Market of the Stock Exchange of Mauritius and headquartered in Mauritius. It has been registered as a Reporting Issuer with the Financial Services Commission since November 2012. The Company operates across two major clusters namely: Finance and Investments. The Group has a sizeable footprint and employs over 800 employees across Mauritius, Rodrigues, and Kenya. CFSL has significant distribution capabilities given it's 102 counters, more than 700 merchants, and in excess of 270,000 clients.

CIM's purpose is to build innovating and integrated products and services that uplift their clients lives and helps build better futures.



#### **Finance Cluster**

This cluster offers financial solutions to individual consumers, SME's and large corporates. These solutions are split across four categories:

- 1. Consumer Finance,
- 2. Leasing,
- 3. Cards & Payments, and
- Factoring.

Having operated in the consumer finance sector since 1987, the Group has built a network of approximately 100 counters spread across Mauritius and Rodrigues to service a large percentage of the population. Cim Financial Service Ltd has been, and remains, the first non-banking financial institution in Sub- Saharan Africa to issue MasterCard and Visa credit cards, it has been a pioneer with respect to building a wholesale funding model in Mauritius, and it is therefore a natural extension for CFSL to be a pioneer in the space of green finance to consumers in Mauritius.

CFSL is licensed by the FSC as a credit financing institution and is listed on the Official Board of the Stock Exchange of Mauritius. As detailed above, CFSL offers a range of credit card issuing and acquiring services and is equally engaged in leasing and factoring activities. CFSL is a market leader in this sector and has played a revolutionary role in the development and monitoring of credit scoring in Mauritius.



#### **Investments Cluster**

This vertical investment cluster holds various companies where CFSL has made an investment in a company with the aim of bringing value added benefit to its main businesses within the finance cluster.

CFSL has set up a consumer finance business in Kenya under the name of Cim Credit Kenya. The Company has deployed a fin-tech enabled business model leveraging on Kenya's unique mobile digital eco system and high consumer awareness of mobile phone app-based lending platforms.





# Sustainability

The Board and management of CFSL understands the implications of environmental change on Mauritius and believe that CFSL has a role to play in changing behaviours so that the Mauritian population makes decisions that are more sustainable and protect the country and environment from the negative externalities brought on by climate change.

CFSL believes that working to promote sustainability, both for the firm and for its clients, is responsible business practice. This belief is reflected in CFSL's intention to finance MUR 3bln of client purchases that will deliver positive environmental and social impacts over the next 5 years.

With over 270,000 clients, CFSL has significant reach with respect to sharing this sustainability message as long as it can influence the consumer's decision making at the time of purchase. To do this, CFSL is leveraging its awareness of consumer demand patterns and will finance alternatives that align with a transition to a low carbon and resilient economy.

CFSL has been a pioneer in so many aspects of its business that it is only natural for the company to be an early mover in the sustainability finance space. In doing this, CFSL will utilise the capital markets platform that it has built in recent years to raise financing that allows the company to provide attractive funding to their clients that are making purchases in sectors that align with predetermined sustainability criteria.

This Green Bond Framework sets the basis for the identification, selection, verification, and reporting of sustainable transaction by clients that are eligible for being directly or indirectly financed by the proceeds of the Green Bonds issued by CFSL, and the management of those proceeds.

This Green Bond Framework is based on the Green Bond Principles ("GBP") published by the International Capital Markets Association ("ICMA") and aligns with the Consultative Guidelines on the Issue of Corporate and Green Bonds that the Financial Services Commission Mauritius has shared with the general public at the time of issuance. This Green Bond Framework may be further updated and expanded as the GBP and market practices and standards in Mauritius evolve. CFSL is committed to support the growth and integrity of the market for Sustainable Financing in Mauritius.





### Alignment with the UN Sustainable Development Goals

The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were adopted in September 2015 and form an agenda for achieving sustainable development by the year 2030. CFSL believes that they can help the transition to a more sustainable Mauritius by encouraging clients to think greener and more sustainably. To do this, CFSL intends to raise funding for its operations via green bonds, where the proceeds will be utilised to help clients buy products that make a positive impact on the environment and which are more sustainable than the other alternatives available to those consumers. CFSL's Board has approved the raising of MUR 3bln of debt over the next 5 years specifically to finance sustainable purchases and investments by its clients. To encourage the substitution to a more sustainable product, CFSL will offer 'green funding' to their clients. The lending rate on this green funding is expected to be lower than other traditional types of funding currently offered to clients and will be conditional on certain criteria being met. CFSL's has worked with its advisers to identify items that they believe would align with CFSL's sustainability agenda derived from the UN's SDGs.

The use of proceeds for CFSL's green bond are particularly relevant to the following SDGs:

 SDG 7: Affordable and Clean Energy, which includes targets to (i) increase substantially the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix, and (ii) double the global rate of improvement in energy efficiency.

Transportation is fuelled by energy so increasing the share of renewables in the transport energy mix in Mauritius can contribute to target 7.2.

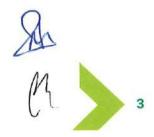
Target 7.1: By 2030 ensure universal access to affordable, reliable, and modern energy services. Target 7.2: Increase substantially the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix by 2030.

By encouraging the public to use electric or hybrid vehicles there will be a reduction in the use of petrol in the Mauritian economy. Further to this, the implementation of solar power chargers, solar lighting, solar heaters, etc further contributes to both Target 7.1 & 7.2. And when implemented on a mass market level, which CFSL is well placed to do, can radically change the energy consumption mix of the Mauritian population.

 SDG 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure, which includes targets to (i) develop quality, reliable, sustainable and resilient infrastructure, and (ii) upgrade infrastructure and retrofit homes & industries to make them sustainable, with increased resource-use efficiency and greater adoption of clean and environmentally sound technologies and processes.

The implementation of rainwater harvesting infrastructure at either an industrial or home level therefore helps to achieve Target 9.1. The implementation of home solar water heaters also contributes to target 9.1 by utilising solar energy to heat water rather than electricity that has been created from the burning of fossil fuels.

Target 9.1: Develop quality, reliable, sustainable and resilient infrastructure, including regional and trans-border infrastructure, to support economic development and human well-being, with a focus on affordable and equitable access for all



 SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities, which includes a target to provide access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all, notably by expanding public transport.

The financing of electric buses, hybrid buses, and systems that will support a greater use of the newly built Mauritian metro system will help achieve Target 11.2.

Target 11.2: By 2030, provide access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all, improving road safety, notably by expanding public transport, with special attention to the needs of those in vulnerable situations, women, children, persons with disabilities and older persons.



#### **Green Bond Framework Overview**

CFSL's Green Bond Framework has been developed in line with the ICMA Green Bond Principles and follows the four key components: Use of proceeds; Process for project evaluation and selection; Management of proceeds; and Reporting. Cim Financial Services Ltd will issue green bonds in accordance with this Framework.

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#### **Use of Proceeds**

Proceeds of CFSL's green bond will be allocated exclusively to finance or refinance, in whole or in part, "Eligible Green Assets". Eligible Green Assets refers to loans and/or investments made by CFSL for assets or projects that meet CFSL's Green Bond Eligibility Criteria defined below. All these assets will be identified in CFSL's internal systems as 'Green Assets'. No asset purchased before the 23rd November 2021 will be considered as a Green Asset.

Repayments will come from cashflows associated with the green leases that CFSL provides to its clients and that are repaid directly to the designated green cash account, drawing down on other funding facilities with banks, and the issuers own funds.



<sup>1</sup> The Green Bond Principles are voluntary process guidelines that recommend transparency and disclosure and promote integrity in the development of the green bond market. They provide issuers with guidance on the key components involved in launching a credible green bond and aid investors by ensuring availability of information necessary to evaluate the environmental impact of their green bond investments.

2 unglobalcompact.org/sdgs/17-global-goals





# CFSL's Green Bond Eligibility Criteria

| Eligible Green<br>Asset Categories | CFSL's Green Bond Eligibility Criteria  |
|------------------------------------|---|
| 1. RENEWABLE ENERGY                | Proceeds may be allocated towards the refinancing, acquisition, development, operation, and maintenance of new and ongoing renewable energy activities (such as solar panel installations) including costs related to:  • Purchase of renewable energy applications and technologies and associated equipment  • Installation costs  • Construction work  • Maintenance work  • Energy storage  |
| 2. ENERGY EFFICIENCY               | Proceeds may be allocated towards the financing or refinancing of commercial energy efficiency loans for projects or assets that reduce energy consumption or mitigate greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. Eligible projects or assets may include:  • Commercial and residential energy efficiency projects including:  • Commercial Energy efficient appliances,  • Centralized energy control systems,  • Solar water heating systems,  • Solar panel systems (including batteries installed to store the energy created by the solar panels),  • Batteries for storage of solar energy.   |
| 3. SUSTAINABLE<br>TRANSPORTATION   | <ul> <li>Proceeds may be allocated towards:</li> <li>The refinancing or purchase of electric, plug in electric, and hybrid cars that have a CO2 emissions level of less than or equal to 79g of CO2/km,</li> <li>The refinancing or purchase of electric &amp; plug in electric commercial vehicles (trucks, vans, busses, etc),</li> <li>Refinancing, building or operating mass transit, including electrified public transport, urban metro, rail and non-motorized, multi-modal transportation</li> <li>Refinancing, creating or constructing infrastructure to support mass transit, including depot and maintenance facilities, signaling equipment, platform gates, and facilities required for the safe, clean and efficient operation of the network, utilities and other enabling infrastructure that promotes sustainable transportation.</li> </ul> |







## **CFSL's Green Bond Eligibility Criteria**

| Eligible Green<br>Asset Categories | CFSL's Green Bond Eligibility Criteria  |  |  |
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| 4. GREEN BUILDINGS                 | <ul> <li>Proceeds may be allocated towards refinancing or investing in projects that improve water quality, efficiency and conservation. Eligible projects may include:</li> <li>Installation or upgrade of water capture and storage infrastructure, including stormwater management systems, water distribution systems, aquifer storage, and sewer systems.</li> <li>Installation or upgrade of water irrigation systems, including gravity fed canal systems, pumped canal or water distribution systems, and drip or subsurface irrigation.</li> <li>Solar power installations.</li> </ul> |  |  |
| 5. SUSTAINABLE<br>AGRICULTURE      | Proceeds may be allocated towards refinancing or investing in projects that improve water quality, efficiency and conservation. Eligible projects may include:  • Installation or upgrade of water capture and storage infrastructure, including stormwater management systems, water distribution systems, aquifer storage, and sewer systems  • Installation or upgrade of water irrigation systems, including gravity fed canal systems, pumped canal or water distribution systems, and drip or subsurface irrigation.  |  |  |



## **Exclusionary Criteria**

CFSL has developed a list of exclusionary criteria for the proceeds of its green bond. CFSL commits itself to not knowingly be involved in financing any of the following projects or activities through the proceeds of its green bond:

- Leasing facilities on vehicles with a CO2 emissions level of 80g Co2/km or higher.
- · Fossil fuel projects.
- · Generators that use fossil fuels.
- · Exploration and production of fossil fuels
- Production or trade in weapons and munitions
- Production or trade in alcoholic beverages
- · Production or trade in tobacco
- · Gambling, casinos, and equivalent enterprises
- · Production or trade in radioactive materials.
- · Production or trade in unbonded asbestos fibers.
- Production or activities involving harmful or exploitative forms of forced labour.
- Production or trade in wood or other forestry products other than from sustainably managed forests.



 Production or trade in any product or activity deemed illegal under National laws or regulations or international conventions and agreements.

\*The above list includes items from the IFC Exclusion List (2007) and is sourced from the Bank of Mauritius's Guide for the issue of sustainable bonds in Mauritius.

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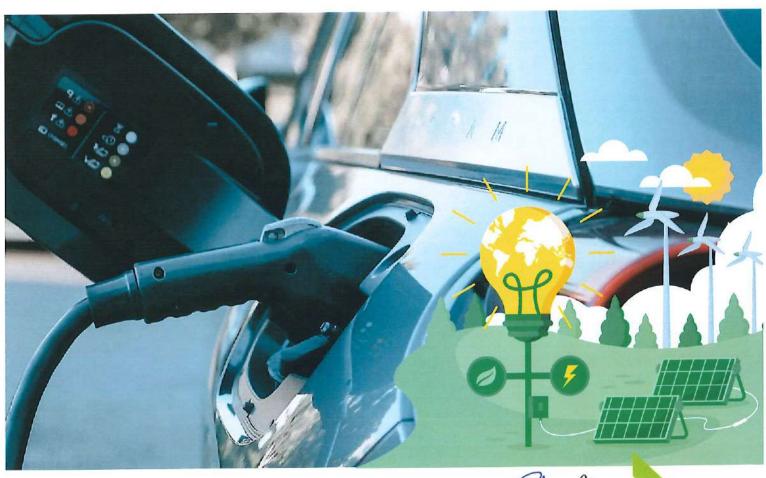
#### **Project Evaluation and Selection Process**

CFSL will maintain a pool of eligible 'Green Assets' in a "Green Bond Asset Portfolio". CFSL's specialist teams, including Sales Team, Credit Underwriting Team, Credit Committee, Leasing Operations Team, Finance Team and Treasury, are responsible for screening potentially eligible assets against CFSL's Green Bond eligibility criteria. Once screened, eligible green assets will be added to CFSL's Green Bond Asset Portfolio.

CFSL's eligible green asset selection process takes into account the following objectives, features and benefits:

- Each eligible green asset included will have been approved by CFSL's credit process / credit committee.
- Each eligible green asset included meets CFSL's Green Bond eligibility criteria for inclusion in CFSL's Green Bond Asset Portfolio.
- 3. Each eligible green asset included is also reviewed to ensure compliance with CFSL's Green Bond Framework for what CFSL considers to be green.

If CFSL's investment in any asset within the Green Bond Asset Portfolio is terminated or if an asset no longer meets CFSL's Green Bond eligibility criteria, CFSL's Leasing Operations Team (on recommendation from the Credit Underwriting team) will remove the asset from CFSL's Green Asset Bond Portfolio.



#### Illustration of Project Evaluation and Selection Process

CFSL reviews lease application to determine if the product being financed would be considered under this Green Bond Framework.

Any Products that do not come under this framework are removed and will be financed via alternative methods which would typically have a higher cost.

Successfull applications are reviewed by CFSL relevant teams to ensure the asset conforms with the criteria set out in this Green Bond Framework.

All financing applications that align with the Green Bond Framework are then evaluated by Credit Underwriting Team and/or Credit Committee for approval and disbursement.

All assets financed are input into CFSL's core lending system and tagged as a Green Asset.

External verification of the Green Asset portfolio is performed by the second party opinion provider.



### Management of Proceeds

All eligible green assets in CFSL's Green Bond Asset Portfolio will be tagged as "Green Bonds Eligible" within CFSL's asset management system which is used to track CFSL's credit exposure on an ongoing basis. As such, the CFSL Green Bond Asset Portfolio is dynamic with assets maturing and new eligible assets being added. CFSL has established a Green Bond Working Group; "the Group" in 2021, which is chaired by CFSL's Group CEO and consists of representatives from Finance and Treasury.

The Group is responsible for supervising the CFSL Green Bond Asset Portfolio and total aggregate amount issued in CFSL Green Bonds. The Group meets quarterly aiming to ensure that the aggregate amount in the Green Bond Asset Portfolio is equal to or greater than the aggregate amount raised by CFSL Green Bonds. For this purpose, the aggregate size and maturity of the Green Bond Asset Portfolio is monitored quarterly.

If for any reason the aggregate amount in CFSL's Green Bond Portfolio is less than the total outstanding amount of CFSL Green Bonds issued, CFSL will hold the balance unallocated amount in cash, cash equivalents and/or other liquid marketable instruments (including Mauritian government / Bank of Mauritius issued securities) in CFSL's liquidity portfolio until the amount can be allocated towards the CFSL Green Bond Asset



Portfolio. Cash will be held in an account designated for green funds and securities will be held in a designated custody account. Any fees related to the Green Bond Framework & the costs associated with green bond issuance and monitoring will be financed from the green bond proceeds.

# Reporting

CFSL will publish a Green Bond Report on its website within a year from issuance and will renew it annually in case of any material changes. The Green Bond Report will detail the total amount of assets in the Green Bond Asset Portfolio and the total outstanding amount raised by CFSL Green Bond issuances.

Furthermore, the Green Bond Report will provide details of eligible assets within the Green Bond Asset Portfolio along with CFSL's financial commitments to each asset; the total amount of unallocated proceeds, if any; and environmental impacts of the Green Bond Asset Portfolio to the extent it is practical to do so.

CFSL's estimated sustainability impact metrics were developed in partnership with Dynamia, an external environmental consultant, and have been vetted by a third party external verifier (Deloitte). The following metrics may be used to assess CFSL's green bonds:

| Criteria             | Projects   | CFSL's Green Bond Eligibility Criteria   |
|----------------------|--|--|
| RENEWABLE            | Solar installation<br>CEB energy scheme  | <ul> <li>Annual renewable energy generation in MWh/GWh</li> <li>Annual GHG emissions reduced/avoided in tonnes of CO2 equivalent</li> <li>Carbon intensity of the bond (amount lent/CO2e)</li> </ul>                                 |
| ENERGY               | Solar installation<br>(Off grid - No CEB scheme)   | <ul> <li>Annual GHG emissions reduced/avoided in tonnes of CO2 equivalent</li> <li>Annual renewable energy generation in MWh/GWh</li> <li>Carbon intensity of the bond (amount lent/CO2e)</li> </ul>                                 |
|                      | Battery for solar<br>energy storage  | <ul> <li>Number of batteries sold</li> <li>Total energy capacity of all batteries sold and expected lifetime</li> </ul>  |
| ENERGY<br>EFFICIENCY | Large scale solar water<br>heaters (Commercial)  | <ul> <li>Annual energy savings</li> <li>Annual GHG emissions reduced/avoided in tonnes of CO2 equivalent</li> <li>Carbon intensity of the bond (amount lent/CO2e)</li> <li>The number of solar water heaters sold</li> </ul>         |
|                      | Commercial Energy<br>efficient appliances:<br>A star rated (ie<br>fridges, Aircons, etc) | <ul> <li>Annual energy savings</li> <li>Annual GHG emissions reduced/avoided in tonnes of CO2 equivalent</li> <li>The number of energy efficient appliances sold</li> <li>Carbon intensity of the bond (amount lent/CO2e)</li> </ul> |





| Criteria                   | Projects   | CFSL's Green Bond Eligibility Criteria  |
|----------------------------|--|---|
|                            | SOLAR Electric Vehicle<br>Supply Equipment (EVSE)<br>- EV charger                        | <ul> <li>Number of solar EVSE deployed</li> <li>Carbon intensity of the bond (amount lent/CO2e)</li> </ul>  |
| CLEAN<br>TRANSPORTATION    | Hybrid (HEVs) and plug-in<br>hybrid (PHEVs) cars<br>- emissions below<br>79g CO2/Km      | <ul> <li>Number of clean vehicles deployed</li> <li>Percentage of clean vehicles in the total number of new vehicles sold for CFSL (%) (number of cars).</li> <li>Annual GHG emissions reduced/avoided in tCO2e</li> <li>Carbon intensity of the bond (amount lent/CO2e)</li> </ul> |
|                            | Electric Vehicles (EVs)  |   |
| GREEN<br>BUILDINGS         | Rainwater Harvesting<br>systems (consider<br>Commercial and Industrial<br>installations) | Number of installations   |
| SUSTAINABLE<br>AGRICULTURE | Drip, flood and<br>pivot irrigation systems<br>– Commercial use only                     | <ul> <li>Volume of water (m³) saved/reduced/treated</li> <li>Number of systems installed</li> </ul>   |



#### **External Review**

CFSL will engage external independent verifiers to review that the assets included in the CFSL Green Bond Asset Portfolio meet CFSL's Green Bond Eligibility Criteria and are not invested in assets as defined by the Exclusionary Criteria. Furthermore, the consultants will be engaged to review that the aggregate amount in the Green Bond Asset Portfolio is equal to or greater than the aggregate amount raised by CFSL Green Bonds and to the extent the total amount of the outstanding bonds is less than the aggregate amount in CFSL's Green Bond Portfolio, the difference is held in cash, cash equivalents and/or other liquid marketable instruments ((including Mauritian government / Bank of Mauritius issued securities ) in CFSL's liquidity portfolio. Any difference should be limited to the fees associated with the green bond issuances and the costs of associated functionaries.

Deloitte, has provided an external verification on this framework, which can be found. Deloitte's verification intends to provide an assessment of CFSL's Green Bond Framework's alignment with the Guidelines on Green Bonds as set out by the Financial Services Commission Mauritius.

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