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NSE Scrip Symbol: BLS	BSE Scrip Code: 540073	MSE Scrip Symbol: BLS

Dear Sir / Madam,

**Subject: Press Release**

Pursuant to Regulation 30 read with Schedule III of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations 2015, please find enclosed a Press Release dated September 02, 2021 with respect to BLS International signs contract with The Republic of Philippines Department of Foreign Affairs.

**For BLS International Services Limited**

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**Dharak A. Mehta**  
**Company Secretary & Compliance Officer**  
**ICSI Membership No.: ACS40502**

Encl: as above



## **BLS International signs contract with The Republic of Philippines Department of Foreign Affairs**

**New Delhi, 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021** – BSE, NSE and MSE listed (BSE: 540073; NSE: BLS; MSE: BLS), BLS International, a trusted global tech-enabled services partner for governments and citizens, announced today that it has signed a contract with The Republic of Philippines Department of Foreign Affairs to provide ePassport Renewal services initially starting with Italy, Qatar and Malaysia.

BLS will provide ePassport renewal services on behalf of The Republic of Philippines in Italy, Qatar and Malaysia. With this, The Department of Foreign Affairs intends to ease the renewal process for Philippine nationals living overseas. The opening of ePassport Renewal Centers (PaRCs) in these countries will provide facility to Filipinos to apply for ePassport renewals at a time and place of their convenience.

**Commenting on this, Mr. Shikhar Aggarwal, Joint Managing Director, BLS International,** said, *"We are honoured and excited to serve The Republic of Philippines Department of Foreign Affairs. We are confident that our tech-enabled ePassport renewal services will be faster and convenient for the Filipino diaspora in the three countries-Italy, Qatar and Malaysia. We will simplify the application procedure and shorten the overall application processing time, which will, in turn, contribute to overall improved customer service. I am confident of a seamless rollout and hope to strengthen this relationship with more such opportunities."*

The Philippine ePassport Renewal Centres will serve the following advantages:

- Provide faster and more convenient ePassport renewal services.
- Provide automated and integrated online mechanism in day-to-day transactions.
- Simplify and shorten the overall application processing time.

This is in addition to the already robust portfolio of visa, passport, consular and citizen services offered by BLS International and reflects company's focus on efficiency and continuous excellence in its operations.

### **About BLS International**

BLS International Services Ltd. a trusted global tech-enabled services partner for governments and citizens, having an impeccable reputation for setting benchmarks in the domain of visa, passport, consular, citizen, e-governance, attestation, biometric, e-visa and retail services since 2005. The company is recognized as 'Best under a Billion' company" by Forbes Asia and ranked amongst Fortune India's Next 500 companies.

The company works with over 46 client governments including Diplomatic Missions, Embassies & Consulates and leverages technology and processes that ensure data security. The Company now has an extensive network of more than 12,287 centres globally with a robust strength of over 15,000 employees and associates that provides consular, biometrics and citizen services. BLS has processed over 52 million applications till date globally.

BLS International adheres to ISO 9001:2015 certified for Quality Management Systems; ISO 27001:2013 certified for Information Security Management Systems; ISO 14001:2015 certified for Environmental Management Systems; ISO/ IEC 45001:2018 certified for Occupational Safety and Health; ISO / IEC 20000-1:2011 certified for IT Service Management; ISO 26000:2010 certified for Social Responsibility; ISO 23026:2015 certified for System Engineering and Management Requirements; ISO/IEC 28000:2017 certified for Supply Chain Management System; ISO/IEC 27002: 2013 certified for Management of Information Security; ISO 31000: 2018 certified for Risk Management; ISO 27001:2013 certified for Risk Management of Information.



BLS International is the only listed company in this domain with operations in 66 countries.

BSE: 540073; NSE: BLS; MSE: BLS. Website: [www.blsinternational.com](http://www.blsinternational.com)

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