
Answers

	<i>Marks</i>
1 Mr Lengau	
(a) Tax payable for the year ended 31 March 2007	
M	
Income from transport hire	400,890
Income from construction (see working 1)	168,500
	569,390
<i>Less: Operating expenses:</i>	
Wages and salaries	(192,000)
Depreciation (see working 2)	(111,900)
Other business expenses (276,200 – 144,000)	(132,200)
Chargeable income	133,290
Tax payable (8,765 + (98,230 * 35%))	43,146
<i>Less: personal tax credit</i>	(3,500)
withholding tax	(12,500)
Net tax payable	27,146
Workings	
1. Income from building construction (estimated profit)	
Percentage of the contract completed during the year of assessment ended 31 March 2007	
= $\frac{\text{Contract costs}}{\text{Total contract costs}} = \frac{144,000}{230,400} = 62.5\%$	2
Estimated profit = 62.5% * (500,000 – 230,400) = 168,500	2
2. Depreciation	M
Year ended 31 March 2007	
1 April 2006 ACB	450,000
+ $\frac{1}{2}$ current year acquisition	60,000
+ $\frac{1}{2}$ previous year acquisition	0
– current year disposal (proceeds)	62,400
	447,600
Depreciation allowance at 25%	111,900
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(b) A carry back of an overall loss on a contract is not allowed:	
(i) When the Commissioner of Income Tax is satisfied that the taxpayer is able to carry the loss forward to offset against business income in subsequent years of assessment.	2
(ii) When the Commissioner is satisfied that the taxpayer can obtain the benefit of the loss for tax purposes in another jurisdiction.	2
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(c) Total tax payable by the employees of Mr Lengau:	
M	
Salaries for permanent employees (M4,500 * 12)	54,000
Tax payable (8,765 + (18,940 * 35%) – 3,500)	11,894
Total tax deducted/remittable (11,894 * 3)	35,682
The due date is on/before 15 April 2007	1
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(d) Section 157 (1) of the Income Tax Act 1993 (as amended) requires that a person who contracts with a resident contractor must withhold tax on payments to the contractor at the rate of 5% on the gross amount of the payments. For this purpose, the Government of Lesotho is ‘a person’.	2

- (e) Any person who carries on any enterprise with an annual turnover of taxable supplies (including zero-rated supplies) in a twelve month period exceeding the registration threshold of M500,000, must register for value added tax (VAT). Thus, Mr Lengau will be treated as a vendor and must register for the purposes of VAT.

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2 (a) Lesotho Furnitures Limited

(i) Advanced corporation tax (ACT) payable:	M	
Dividends paid on 1 November 2006 (35,500 * 2)	71,000	1
Deemed dividends (see working)	6,000	2
	<u>77,000</u>	
Related ACT (77,000 * $\frac{25}{75}$)	25,667	1
ACT payable on/before 8 November 2006		<u>1</u>
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Deemed dividends	
Redemption price (12,000 * 2)	24,000
Adjusted cost base (ACB) (12,000 * 1.5)	<u>(18,000)</u>
Deemed dividends	<u>6,000</u>

- (ii)** Corporation tax for the year ended 30 September 2007

Business income:

Turnover (950,000 * $\frac{100}{114}$)	833,333	1
Less: Operating expenses (718,260 + (25,200 * 25%))	(724,560)	2
Depreciation allowance (40,800 * 20% * $\frac{3}{12}$)	2,040	1
	<u>106,733</u>	
Profit on disposal of assets (34,400 – 27,000)	7,400	1

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Property income:

Interest: Foreign (80,900 * 70%) + 5,000	61,630	1
Local (80,900 * 30%) + 2,697	26,967	1
Gain on disposal of foreign shares (10,500 + 1,167)	11,667	1
Foreign dividends (46,200/0.85)	54,353	1
Lesotho dividends	0	1
	<u>154,617</u>	
Chargeable income		<u>268,750</u>

Tax payable at 25%	67,188	1
Less: Foreign tax credit (see working)	(14,320)	3
Withholding tax (local)	(2,697)	1
ACT paid (as in (i) above)	(25,667)	1
Net tax payable on/before 31 December 2007	<u>24,504</u>	1

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Foreign tax credit:

$$\text{Average tax rate} = \frac{\text{Total Lesotho tax}}{\text{Total chargeable income}} = \frac{67,188}{268,750} = 25\%$$

Foreign income	Tax paid	Lesotho tax at 25%	Credit available M
Interest	61,630	5,000	5,000
Shares	11,667	1,167	1,167
Dividends	54,353	8,153	8,153
Total			<u>14,320</u>

(iii) Instalments payable by Lesotho Furnitures Limited for the year ended 30 September 2008:		
Each instalment of tax payable $((24,504 + 25,667) * 30\%)$	<u>M15,051</u>	2
The instalments are payable on:		
31 March 2008;		1
30 June 2008; and		1
30 September 2008.		<u>1</u>
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(b) Wyeburn Wholesalers (Pty) Ltd – Lesotho branch

	M	
Chargeable income	300,000	
Less: Income tax on the chargeable income at 25%	<u>(75,000)</u>	1
	225,000	
Reinvested profits in Lesotho $(225,000 * 65\%)$	<u>(146,250)</u>	1
	78,750	
Tax payable on repatriated income at 25%	<u>19,688</u>	1
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3 Maluti Enterprise (Pty) Ltd

- (a)** (1) With respect to the M3,400, there is no input VAT as the supply was made by a non-vendor. There is input VAT with respect to M850 for repairs. 1
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For the supply made by Maluti Enterprise (Pty) Ltd, output VAT will be as follows:

	M	
Sale price	6,500	
Less: purchase cost	<u>3,400</u>	
	3,100	2
Output VAT $(M3,100 * 14\%)$	434	1/2
Input VAT $(850 * 14/114)$	104	1/2

- (2) Rental income in respect of a manufacturing process is an exempt supply. 1

Output VAT for the taxable rental is therefore:

	M	
Taxable supply $(M5,200 * 40\%)$	2,080	
Output VAT $(2,080 * 14\%)$	291	1/2

- (3) In the case of a hire purchase agreement, the taxable value of the taxable supply is the fair market value (FMV) at the time of supply. 1
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| Output VAT $(9,800 * 14/114)$ | 1,204 | 1/2 |
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The cash sales also constitute taxable supplies.

	M	
Cash sales $(15,680 - (5,120 + 300))$	10,260	1
Output VAT $(10,260 * 14/114)$	1,260	1/2

- (4) This is a taxable supply sold at a reduced consideration. 1
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| Taxable value is the fair market value (FMV) | 520 | |
| Output VAT $(520 * 14/114)$ | 64 | 1/2 |

- (5) M1,520 for water and sewerage is an exempt supply. 1/2

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(b) Duties/obligations of a vendor:

Maluti Enterprise (Pty) Ltd must:

- Account for VAT on its taxable supplies.
- Make regular VAT returns and payments.
- Keep proper accounts and records.

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4 The LHDA and Mr Molao**(a)** Fringe benefit tax payable by the LHDA: December 2006

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Housing fringe benefit	10,400	1
Car fringe benefit (230,500 * 15% * $\frac{1}{12}$)	2,881	1
Meal fringe benefit (8,000 * $\frac{1}{12}$)	667	1
Utilities fringe benefit (4,300 + 1,300)	5,600	2
Domestic assistance fringe benefit	1,500	1
Total monthly taxable amount	<hr/> 21,048	
Fringe benefit tax (21,048 * $\frac{35}{65}$)	<hr/> 11,334	1

Fringe benefit tax (FBT) is payable quarterly, therefore the due date of payment of the FBT for the month of December 2006 will be on or before 14 January 2007.

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(b) Tax payable by Mr Molao for the year ended 31 March 2007

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Basic salary	505,200		$\frac{1}{2}$
Mountain allowance (4,500 * 12)	54,000		1
Education allowance (2,500 * 2 * 12)	<hr/> 60,000		1
		619,200	
Terminal benefits:			
Gratuity	600,000		1
Severance pay (80,500 – 1,500)	<hr/> 79,000		2
		<hr/> 679,000	
		<hr/> 1,298,200	
Tax payable (8,765 + (1,263,140 * 35%))		450,864	1
Less: personal tax credit		<hr/> 3,500	$\frac{1}{2}$
		<hr/> 447,364	<hr/> 7
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5 Mapetla Investments Properties (Pty) Ltd

	M	
(a) (i) Land		
Sale price (220,300 * 0.5)	110,150	1½
Adjusted cost base (ACB) (150,200 * 0.5)	75,100	1½
Chargeable gain	35,050	½
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(ii) Shares		
Sale price	30,000	½
Less: ACB (2 * 12,000)	24,000	1½
Chargeable gain	6,000	½
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(iii) Premises		
Sale price	1,120,100	½
Less: ACB		
Cost price (50,000 * 250/140)	89,286	1½
Reconstruction and extension (250,000 * 250/150)	416,667	1½
Chargeable gain on disposal	614,147	½
Chargeable income from rents (16,800 * 9)	151,200	1
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(b) No gain or loss is taken into account in the case of:

- a transfer of assets between spouses; 1
 - a transfer of assets between former spouses as part of a divorce settlement; or 1
 - an involuntary conversion of an asset, where the proceeds are reinvested in an asset of a like kind. 2
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