



INLAND REVENUE DEPARTMENT

Notice to the Value Added Tax (VAT) Registered Persons

VAT Invoice data integration between taxpayers' ERP systems and the RAMIS through WEB API.

The Government of Sri Lanka has announced the implementation of a **National e-Invoicing System** under the National Budget 2026. The project **has already commenced with a pilot phase** involving a selected group of VAT registered persons, who were upgraded their respective ERP systems to support API integration. The full integration of the WEB API is expected to be completed by **the end of 2026**.

The Web API, along with its associated benefits for VAT registrants, is presented in a question-and-answer format for ease of reference.

1. What is the Web API System and why is it important?

This system enables digital transmission of invoice data directly from taxpayers' **Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP)** to **Revenue Administration Management Information System (RAMIS)** of the Inland Revenue Department, ensuring that all invoices are transmitted in real time.

A secure **Web Application Programming Interface (Web API)** has been introduced to:

- Enable seamless integration between VAT registered persons' **ERP systems** and the **RAMIS**
- Allow automatic transmission of VAT Invoice/Schedule related data in real time

2. What is the purpose of introducing this system?

The system aims to:

- Improve **accuracy and consistency** in VAT reporting
- Enhance **transparency**
- Reduce **manual errors and intervention**
- Streamline tax administration processes through automated system

3. When will the system be implemented, and what is the current status of its implementation?

The implementation will proceed in phases as follows:

- **Phase 1:** Expansion to VAT-registered export-oriented enterprises

- **Phase 2:** Expansion to all VAT-registered persons

4. Which VAT schedules are covered under this system?

The following VAT schedules data will be automatically transmitted from ERP systems to RAMIS:

- **Schedule 01:** Output tax (including exempted supplies)
- **Schedule 04:** Credit notes and debit notes
- **Schedule 07:** Zero-rated supplies

5. Which sectors are currently On-board?

The selected companies in the following sectors are already integrated with WEB API:

- Garment export entities
- Tea export entities
- Tea manufacturing entities through tea brokers' systems, which have now been upgraded to connect to RAMIS

6. When will Tea Brokers begin transmitting data?

All **Tea Brokers' systems** have been upgraded and now connected to RAMIS. The **invoice records**, as well as **credit and debit note records** issued by **Tea Brokers** on behalf of **tea suppliers/producer** for the supplies made through the Colombo Tea Auction, will be transmitted to RAMIS with effect from **May 1, 2026**.

7. Do suppliers need to upload VAT schedules manually after submission via API?

No.

- Once VAT schedule records are submitted to RAMIS through the Web API, **suppliers are not required to upload the same records again** via Excel (CSV) files or through the Schedule Record Submission interface in RAMIS e-Service.

However:

- If any **schedule records fail to be submitted through the Web API**, such records may be submitted via Excel files or through the Schedule Record Submission interface in RAMIS e-Service.

Any supplies of goods or services made by a tea producer or supplier, outside the Colombo Tea Auction must be reported by:

- Uploading **Excel (CSV) files**, or
- Using the **Schedule Record Submission interface in RAMIS e-Service**

8. What are purchasers required to do in relation to purchase records?

- Once supplier submitted data (Schedule 01 & Schedule 04) will be **automatically populated** in the respective purchaser's Schedule 02 and Schedule 04
- These records will appear in the purchaser's RAMIS e-Service interface

Purchasers must:

- Review and approve invoice records and tax credit/debit note records where applicable
- Approval can be done as an **individual** record or as bulk records (**5,000 records** at once)
- After approving the record status will be updated as **"Matched"**
- Ensure accuracy before **claiming** input tax and the **necessary adjustments** for tax credit/debit note.
- The information relating to any **other purchases made from suppliers who have not integrated the WEB API with RAMIS** shall be submitted through the uploading of Excel (CSV) files or via the Schedule Record Submission interface available in the RAMIS e-Service.

9. Is it possible to edit or delete records submitted via the Web API?

No.

- Any schedule record submitted by a supplier or an agent (tea broker) through the Web API cannot be amended or deleted.
- Any adjustments for tax overstated or understated in an invoice must be made only through the issuance of a tax credit note or tax debit note.

10. What are the enhancements for Import and Export data?

- The Inland Revenue Department intends to further enhance this system by enabling the pre-population of import data (VAT Schedule 03) and export data (VAT Schedule 06) within the RAMIS e-Service.
- Data obtained from **Sri Lanka Customs** will be utilized for this purpose.

11. Where can taxpayers get further information?

Taxpayers are advised to refer to official communications issued by the Inland Revenue Department (IRD), as well as updates published on the IRD web portal (www.ird.gov.lk). Furthermore, inquiries may be submitted via email to ramis.webapi@ird.gov.lk

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