

### Protected Disclosure Annual Report 2025

Section 22 (5) of the Protected Disclosure Act 2014 (as amended) requires that a public body shall prepare and publish, not later than 31 March each year, a report in respect of the immediately preceding calendar year.

The report must contain the following:

1. A statement confirming that the public body has in place either or both of the following:
  - a. internal reporting channels and procedures;
  - b. external reporting channels and procedures,
2. The information provided by the Economic and Social Research Institute ("ESRI") to the Minister under Section 22 (1) (a-k) of the Act

The ESRI has internal reporting channels in place for the reporting of Protected Disclosures.

The ESRI's Protected Disclosure Policy outlines in detail the internal and external reporting channels available to individuals.

The following information was provided by the ESRI to the Minister of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery & Reform for the year 2025:

Ref	Report Requirement	Response
1	Number of reports made to the ESRI in 2025.	Nil
2	Number of reports submitted by the Commissioners (or other relevant bodies) to the ESRI in 2025.	Nil
3	In the case of each report, whether the relevant wrongdoing was a breach.	N/A
4	The number of investigations or proceedings opened in relation to the relevant wrongdoing in the years preceding the year the report was made.	Nil
5	The number of investigations or proceedings in relation to the relevant wrongdoing that remain open.	Nil
6	The number of investigations or proceedings in relation to the relevant wrongdoing that were closed by the ESRI.	Nil
7	In relation to each closed investigation or proceeding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The outcome of the investigation or proceeding.</li> <li>Decision taken by the ESRI.</li> <li>Estimated financial damage and amounts recovered following any investigation or proceeding referred.</li> </ul>	N/A N/A N/A