

User Procedures Manual (Application User Manual)

of the Electronic Submission System (ESS) -

PIPs Portal

For Official Receiver's Office (ORO)

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1. SYSTEM SUMMARY

1.1 INTRODUCTION OF ESS PIPS PORTAL

The PIPs Portal facilitates PEQ agents and OTs/OLs dealing with the tasks assigned for bankruptcy and liquidation cases. It mainly serves the purposes as below:

- Enables PEQ agents to submit the case related PEQ e-Form together with scanned supporting documents to ORO for taking necessary actions.
- Allows OTs/OLs to submit data sheets and e-Forms in response to the requests for call return made by ORO, additionally, to report and submit cases to ORO for considering prosecutions and provide supplement(s) on case referrals, if necessary.

1.2 SYSTEM FUNCTIONS

The below modules are launched in Phase 1:

- Login ESS with iAM Smart
- Case List/Case Overview
- PEQ Report Submission / Re-submission
- Generate Detailed Ledger (now for ad-hoc single case and in PDF format only, this function will be further enhanced by Q1 of 2024 to cater for batch processing and downloading of ledgers in CSV and/or PDF format as requested by PIPs)
- Return Submission
- B1/B2/B3 Submission / Re-submission
- User Account Administration

1.3 SYSTEM REQUIREMENT

Component	Requirement
Processors	2GHz processor or above
Memory	4GB or above
Hard disk	200GB SATA hard drive (5400RPM) or above
Display	At least 1280 x 720
Interface	At least 1 x Keyboard Port and 1 x Mouse Port
Operating System	Microsoft Windows 10 or above
Mobile OS	Android 10.0 or above iOS 13 or above
Network	Internet
Software	Google Chrome version 114 or above Microsoft Edge version 114 or above

Mozilla Firefox version 115 or above

1.4 CONVENTIONS

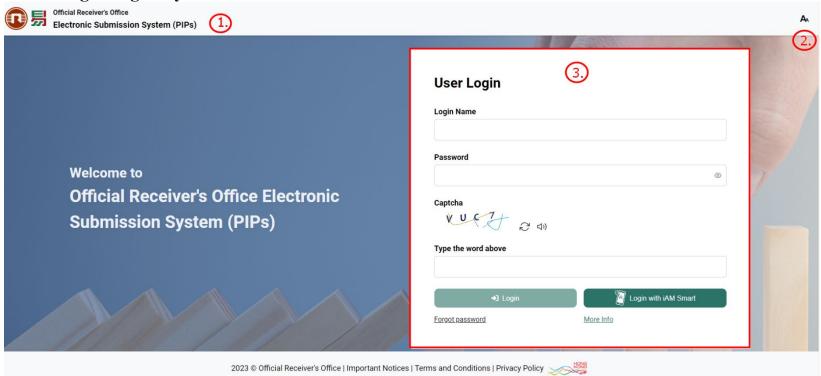
Abbreviations/Acronyms	Description	
BO	Bankruptcy Order	
IEFAS	The Insolvency Estate Funds and Accounting System	
ORMIS	The Official Receiver's Management Information System	
ORO	Official Receiver's Office	
OTP	One-Time Password	
PA	Principal Account	
PDD	Prosecution and Director Disqualification Section	
PEQ	Preliminary Examination Questionnaire	
PL/OL	Outside Provisional Liquidator /Liquidator	
PIP	Private Insolvency Practitioners	
PT/OT	Outside Provisional Trustee / Outside Trustee	
SMS	Short Message Service	

2. OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

2.1 Login Page

- ❖ Provide feasible login options, including (1) username and password (2) iAM Smart authentication.
- ❖ For iAM Smart authentication, the binding or system integration concerned can be performed after the login action is initiated by using the designated authentication credentials provided.

2.1.1 Login Page Layout

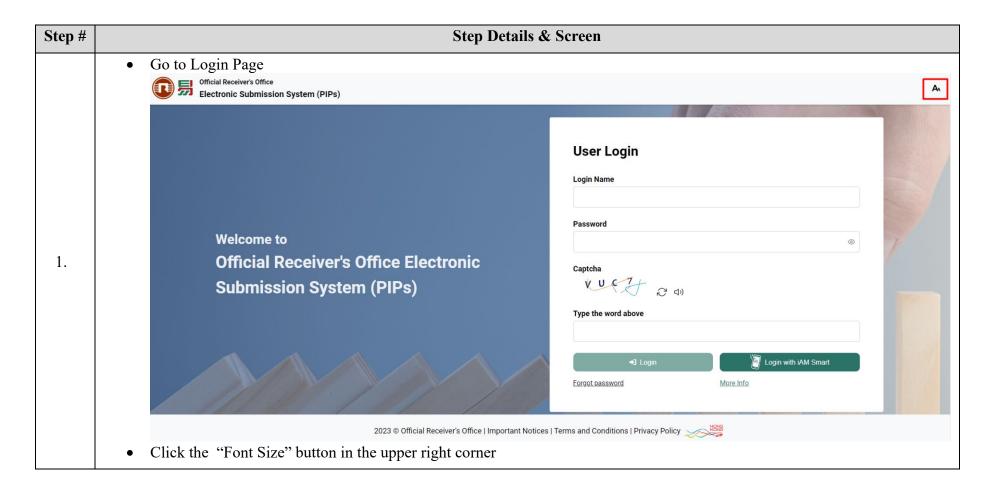


The following information is shown on Login Page:

No.	Function / Item	Description	
1.	Logos	Titles and logos of both ORO and ESS are put in the upper left corner.	
2.	Font Size	User gets redirected to the "How to Change Text Size on GovHK" web page, wherein the user could follow the instruction to change font size.	
3.	Login Area	User logs in PIPs Portal with Login Name and Password, or via iAM Smart.	

User may reset password by "Forget Password" hyperlink.

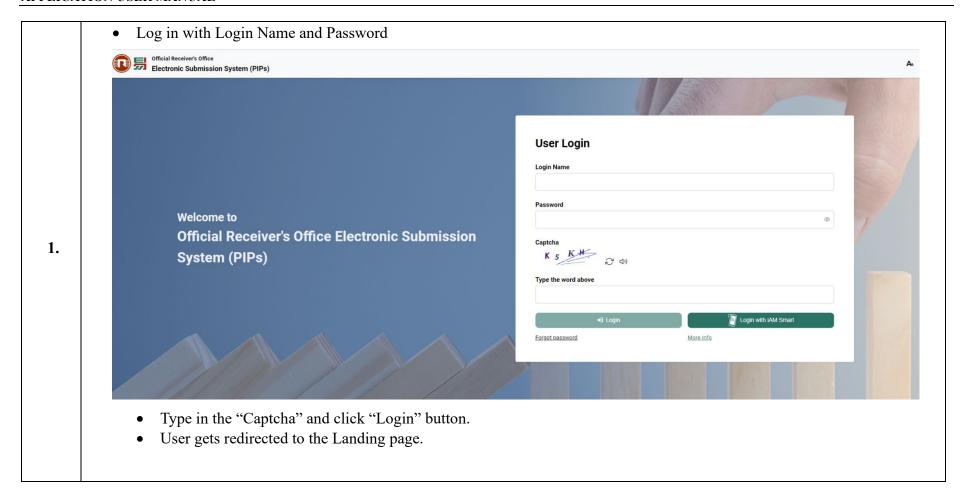
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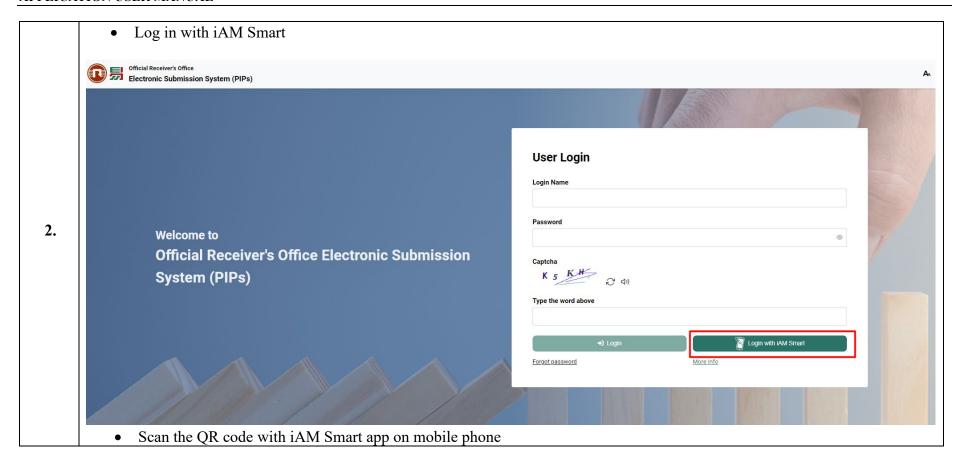


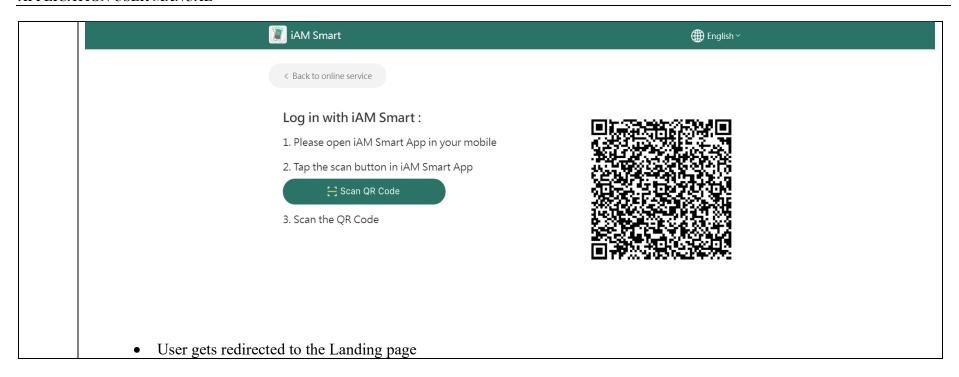


2.1.3 Login

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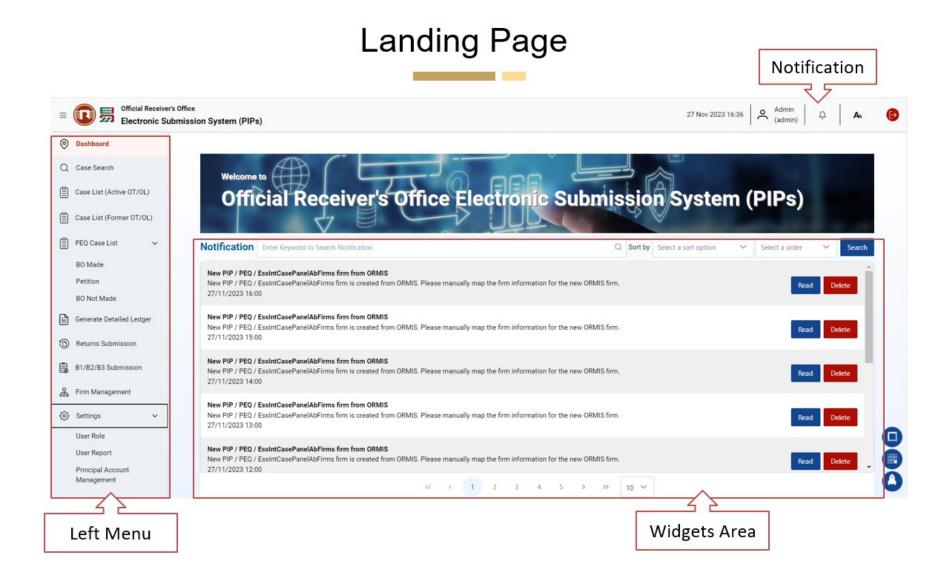




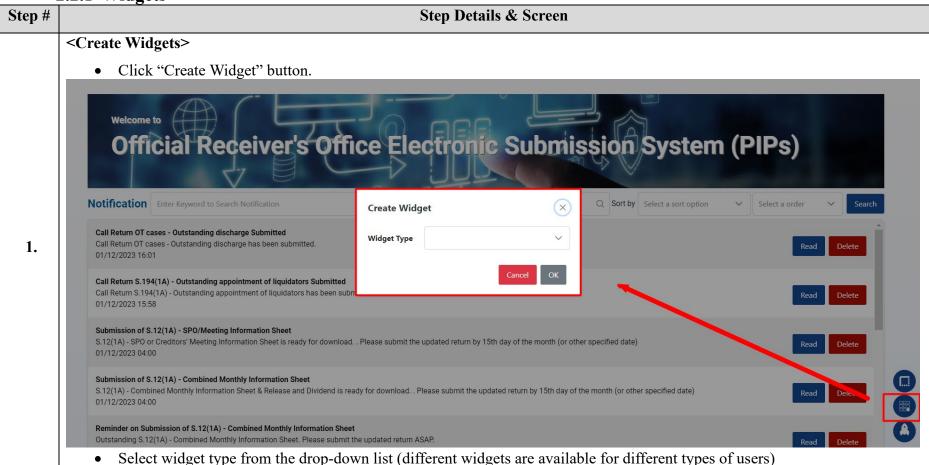


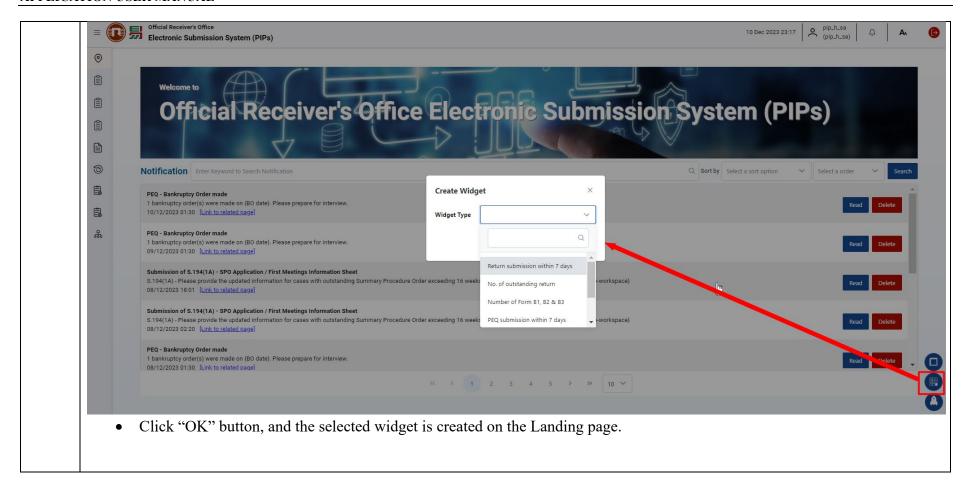
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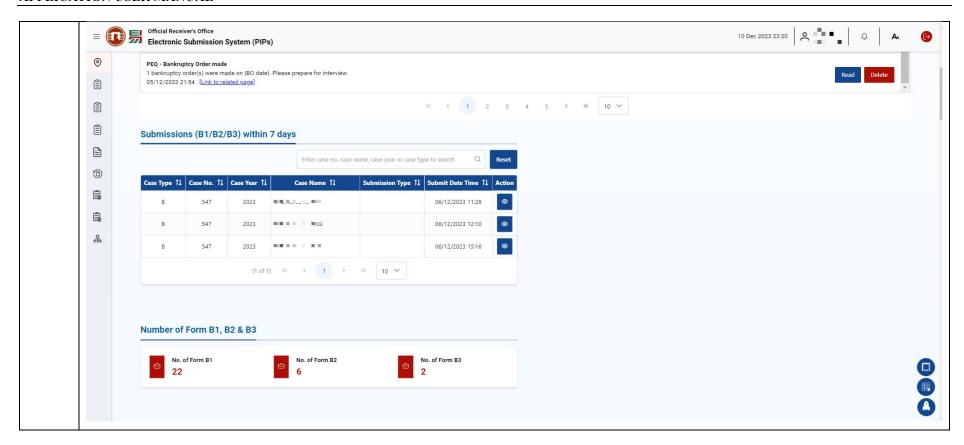
Provides a comprehensive overview of the task updates and navigation to different sections.

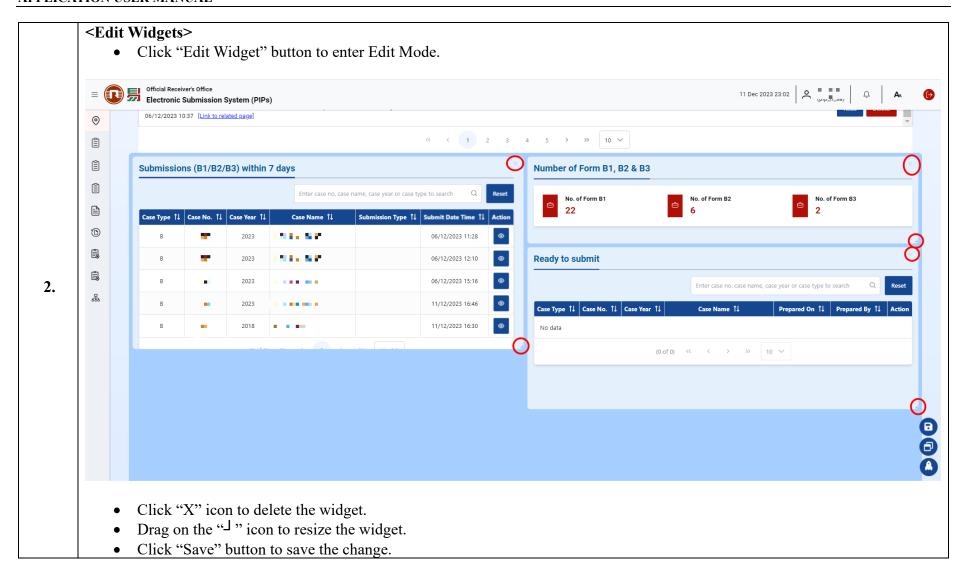


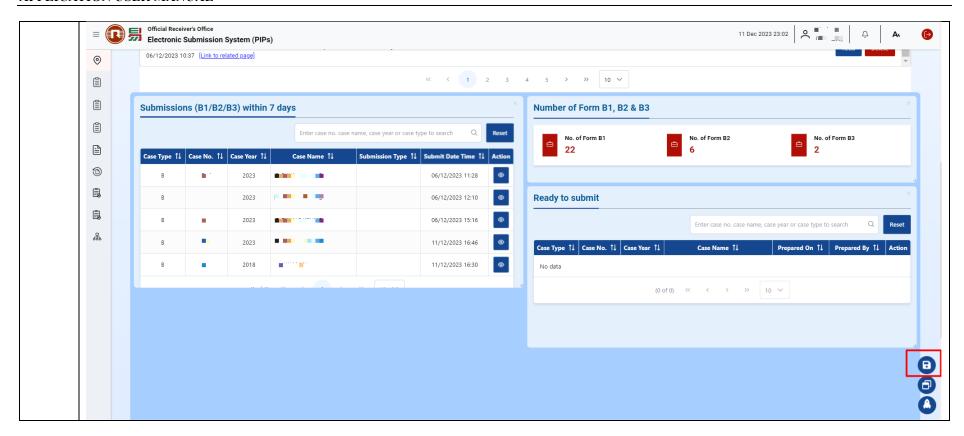
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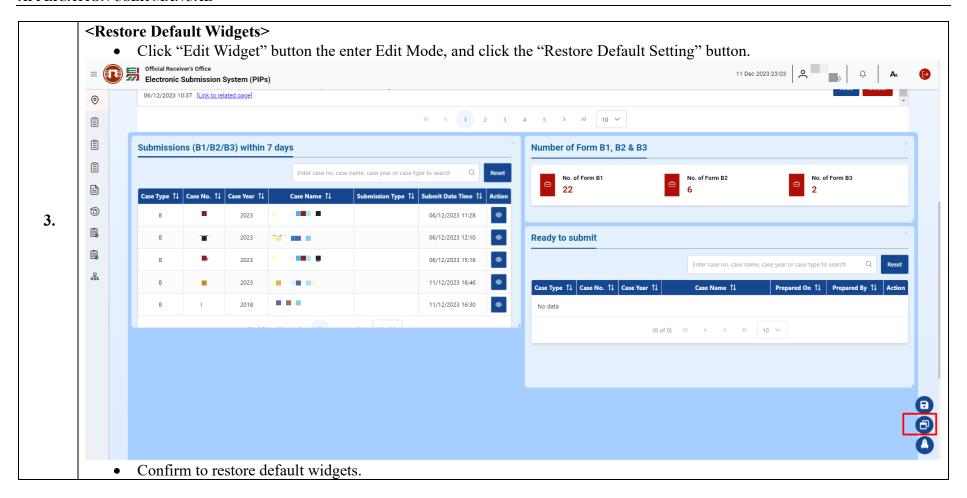


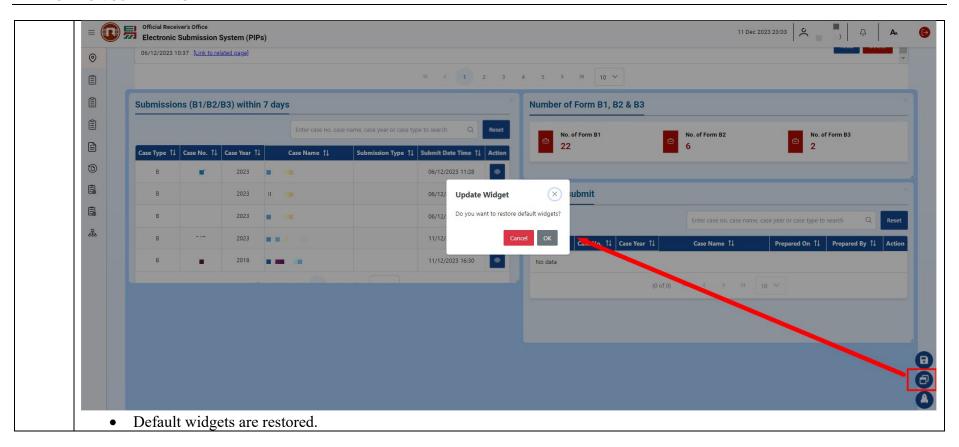






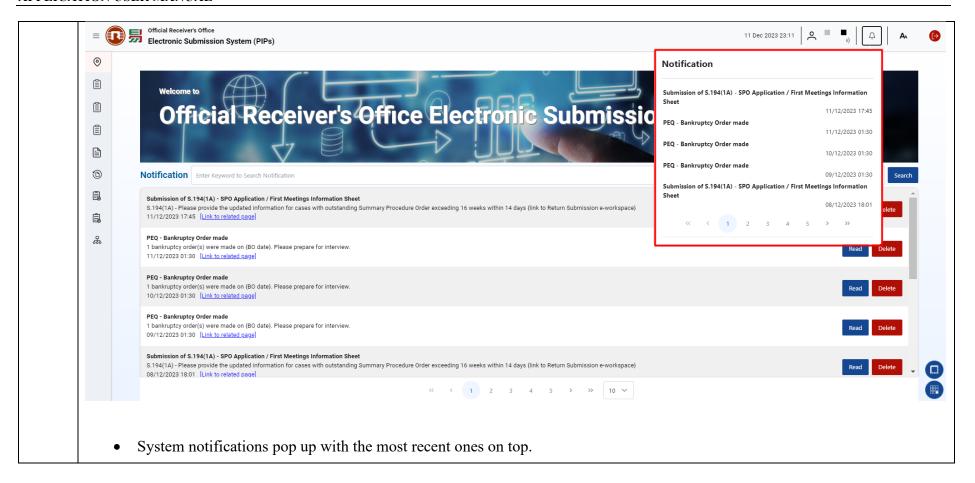


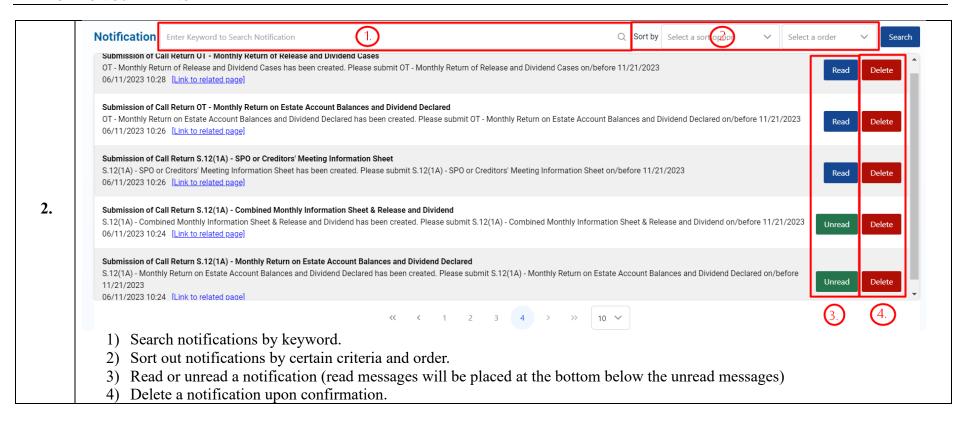




2.2.2 Notifications

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1.	Click the "Notification" button in the top navigation bar.





2.2.3 Left Menu

No.	Function / Item	Description	Procedure
1.	Dashboard	Return to Landing page	N/A
2.	Case Search	Full list of Bankruptcy and Liquidation cases (Available to administrator only)	2.3.1

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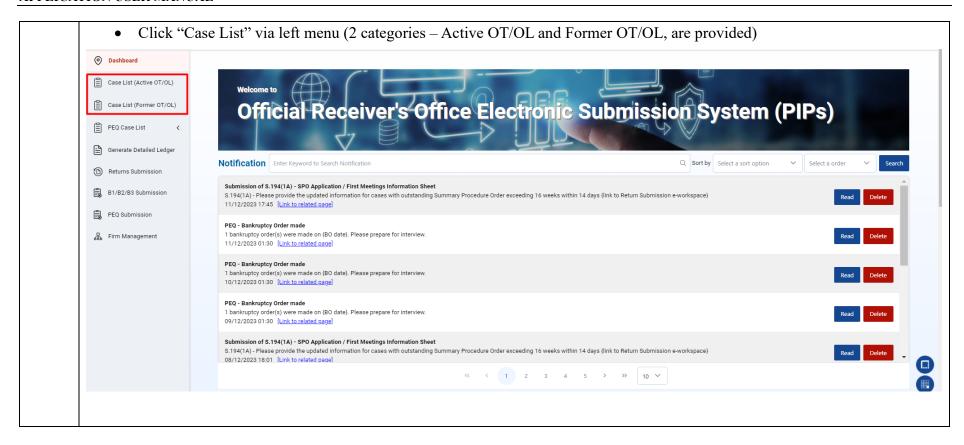
3.	Case List (Active OT/OL)	Cases under the current active OT/OL	<u>2.3.1</u>
4.	Case List (Former OT/OL)	Cases under former/resigned OT/OL	<u>2.3.1</u>
5.	PEQ Case List	BO Made – PEQ cases with BO made. Petition – PEQ cases with Petition submitted. BO Not Made – PEQ cases without BO made.	2.4
6.	Generate Detailed Ledger	Request detailed ledgers from IEFAS.	<u>2.5</u>
7.	Returns Submission	Regularly submit returns to ORO	<u>2.6</u>
8.	B1/B2/B3 Submission	Submit B1/B2/B3 form to OR for its consideration of prosecution.	<u>2.7</u>
9.	Firm Management	Manage master firm(s)/AP panel firm(s)/PEQ Agent firm(s)	<u>2.8</u>

2.3 Case List/Case Overview

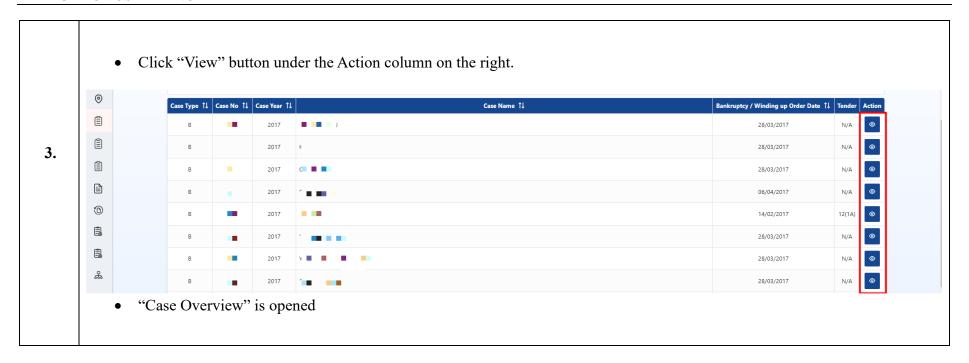
- ❖ Enquire the submitted data, forms (including call returns, etc.) and supporting documents from the e-Folder of case, which is maintained on both Intranet and PIPs Portals.
- Allow ESS users (including PEQ agents and PIPs) to browse e-case folder, which contains scanned copy of petitions, Statement of Affairs, PEQ report forms, B1/B2/B3 forms, and other documents uploaded.

2.3.1 Case List(s)

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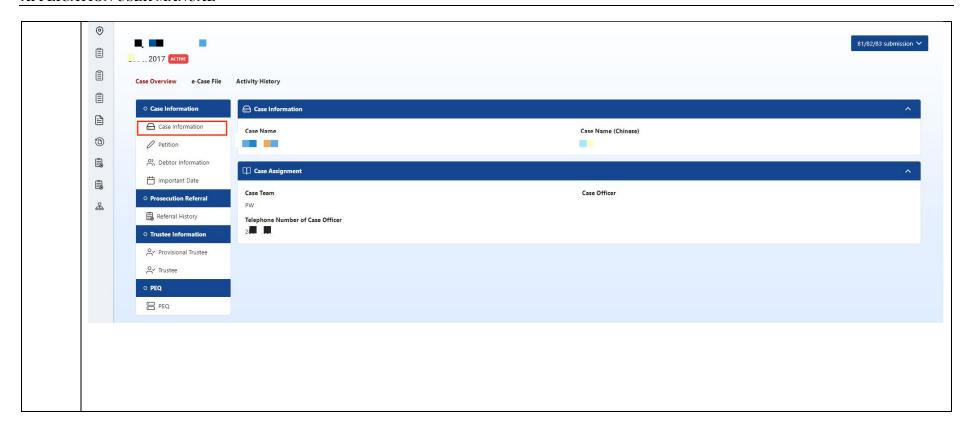


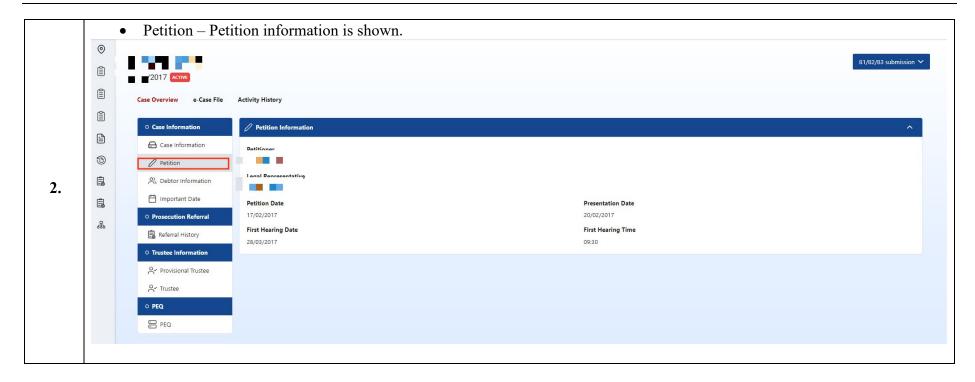


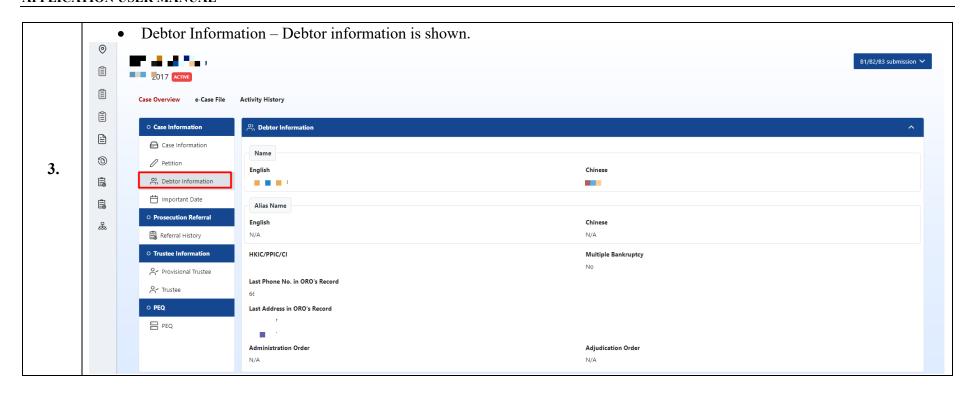


2.3.2 Case Overview

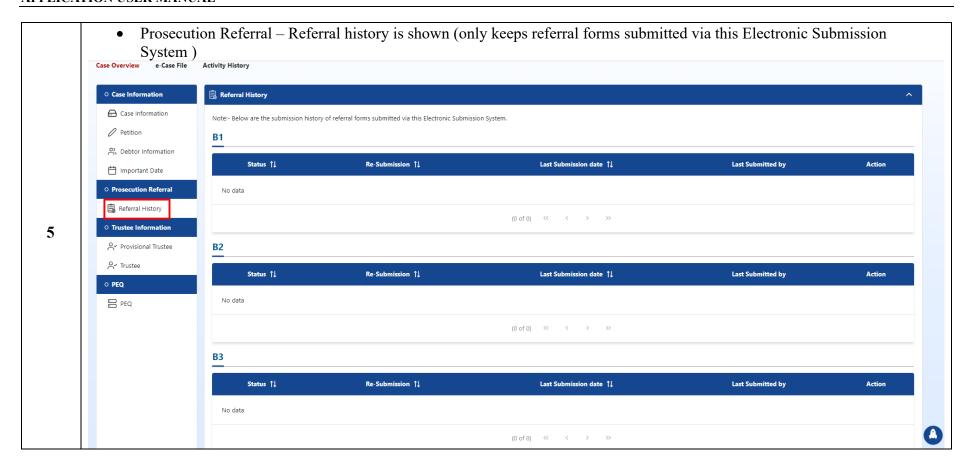
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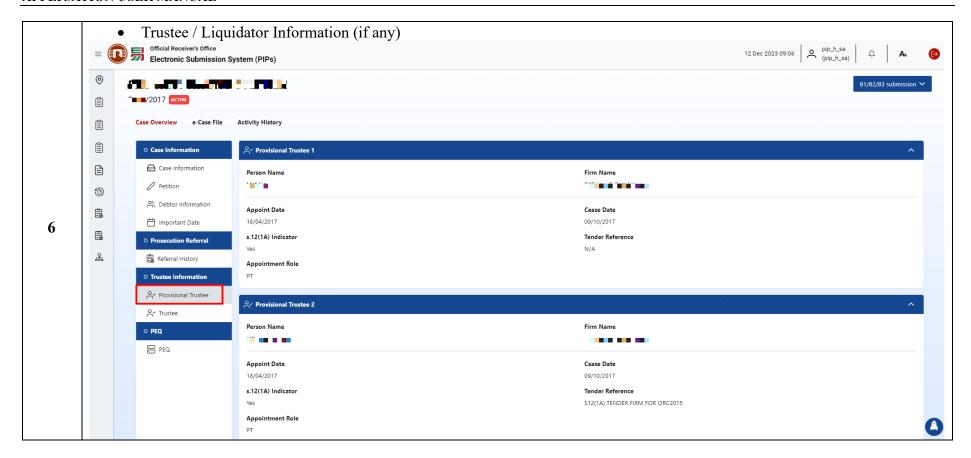


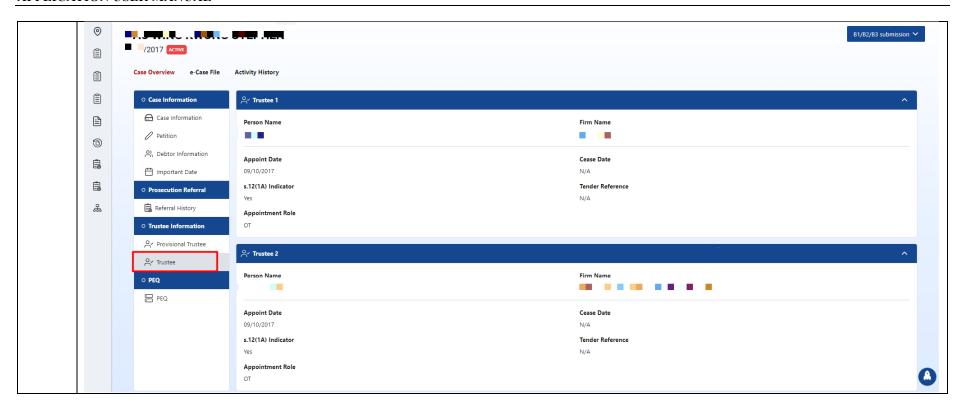


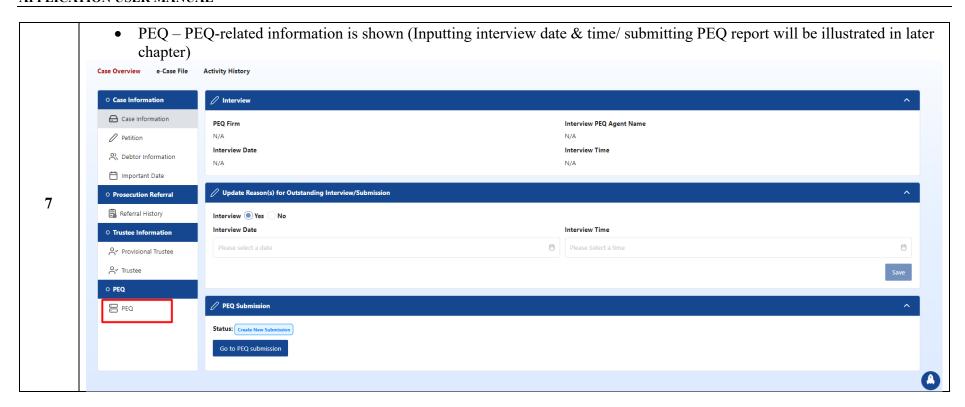






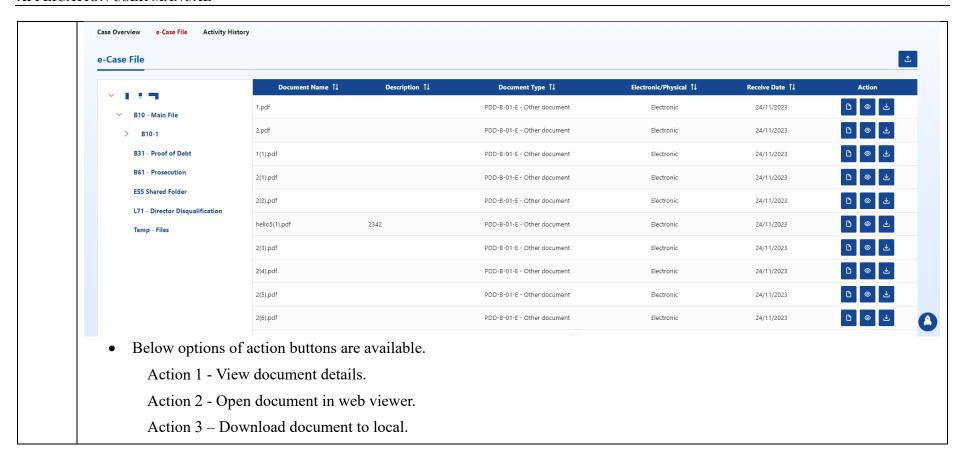


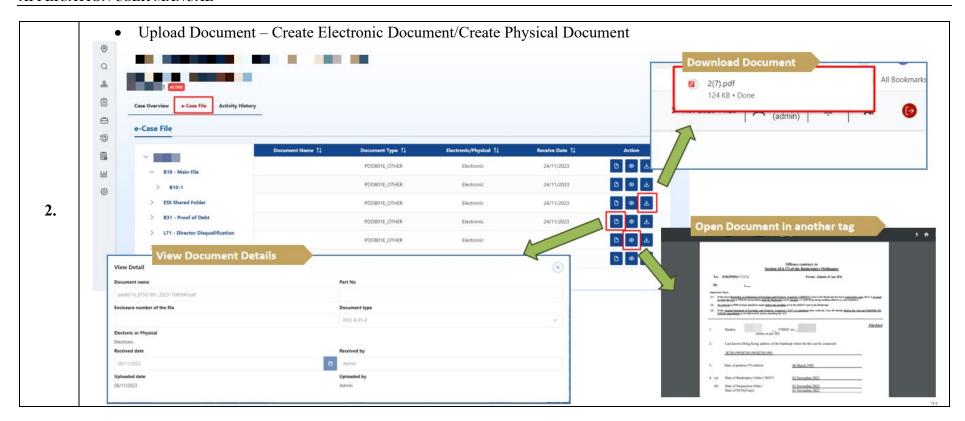




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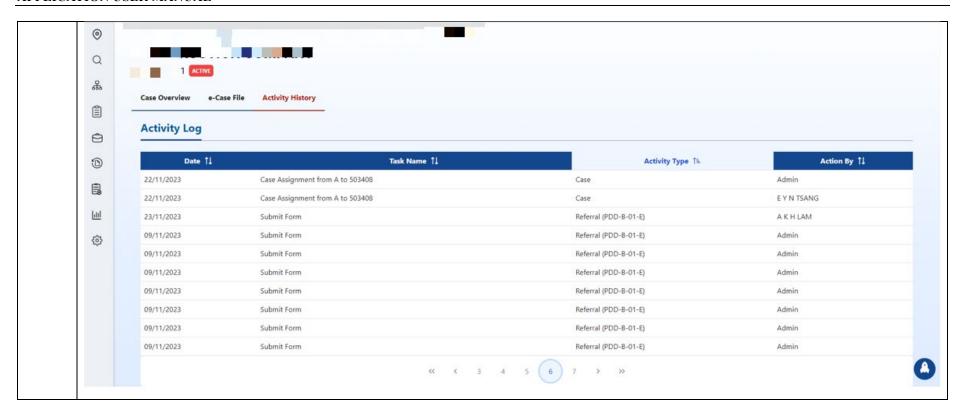
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1.	All case files are shown.





2.3.4 Activity History

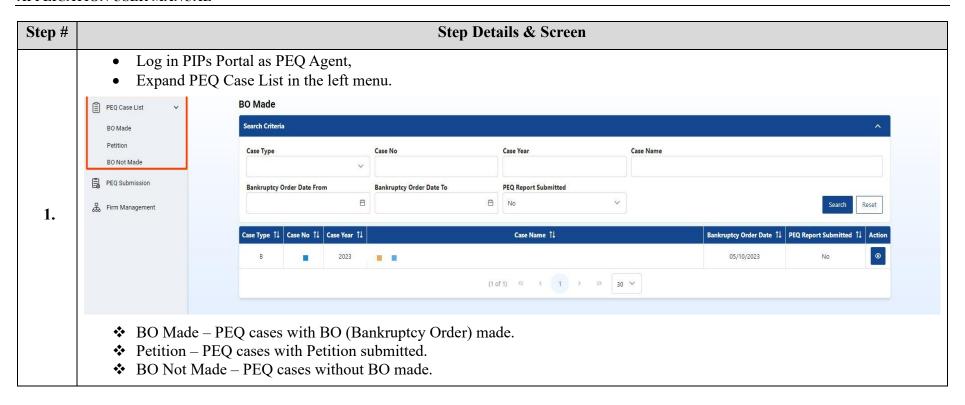
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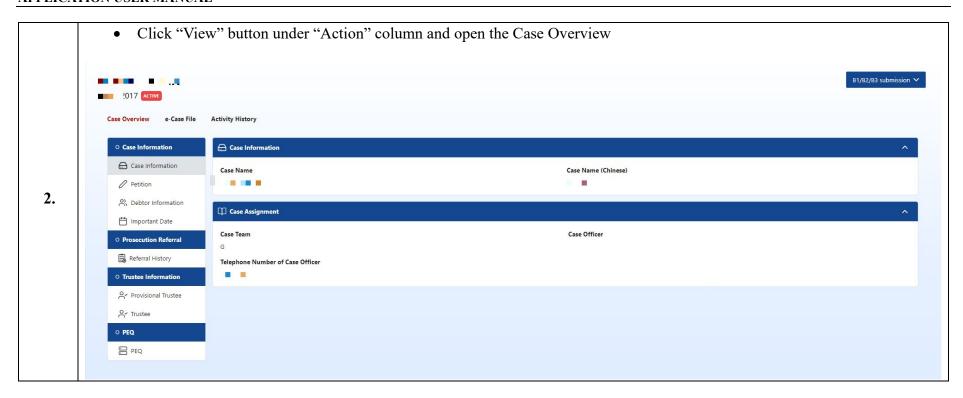


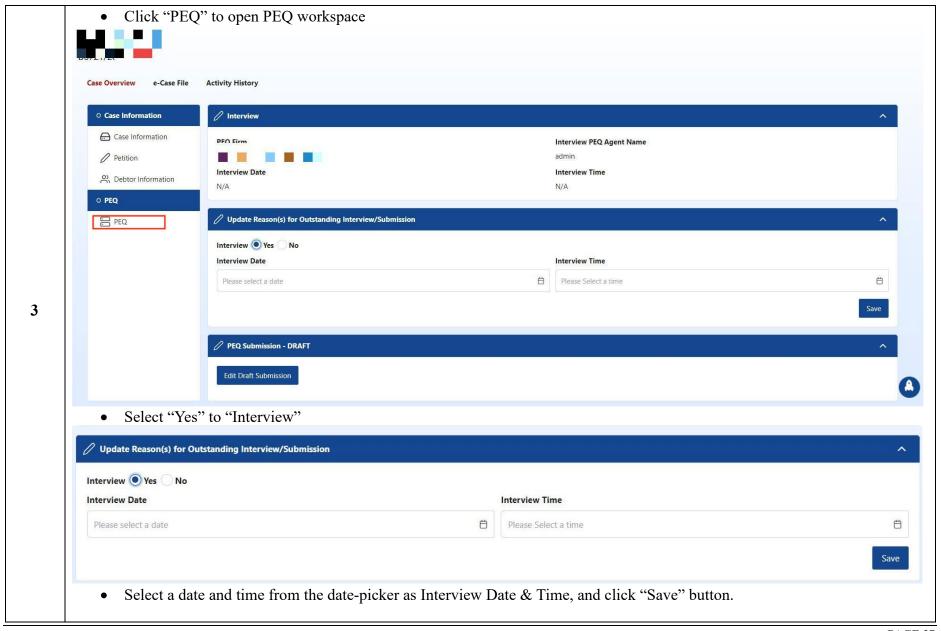
2.4 PEQ Submission

Facilitate the submission of the PEQ report with the scanned supporting documents by the PEQ agent by classifying the cases assigned into BO made, Petition (i.e. pending hearing of BO) and BO not made (i.e. hearing of BO completed but BO not made).

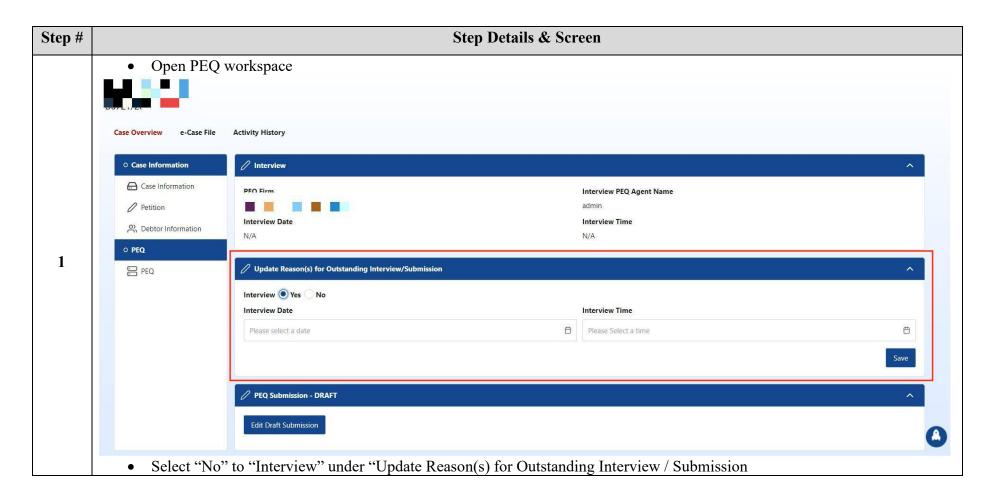
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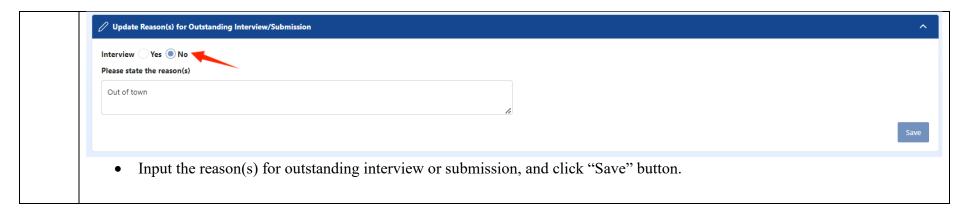






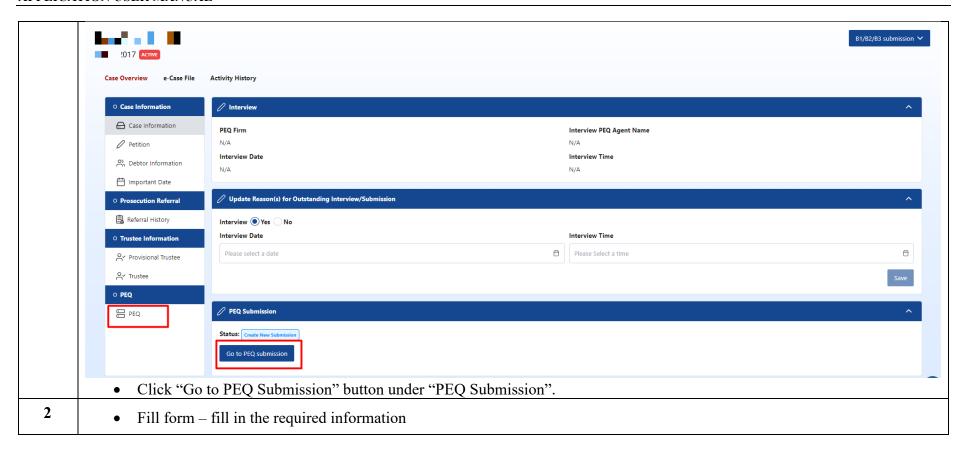
2.4.2 Update Reason(s) for Outstanding Interview/Submission

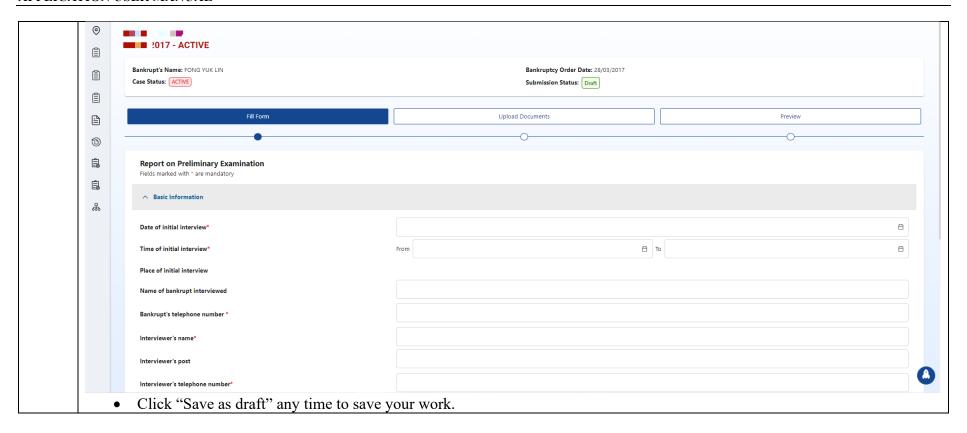


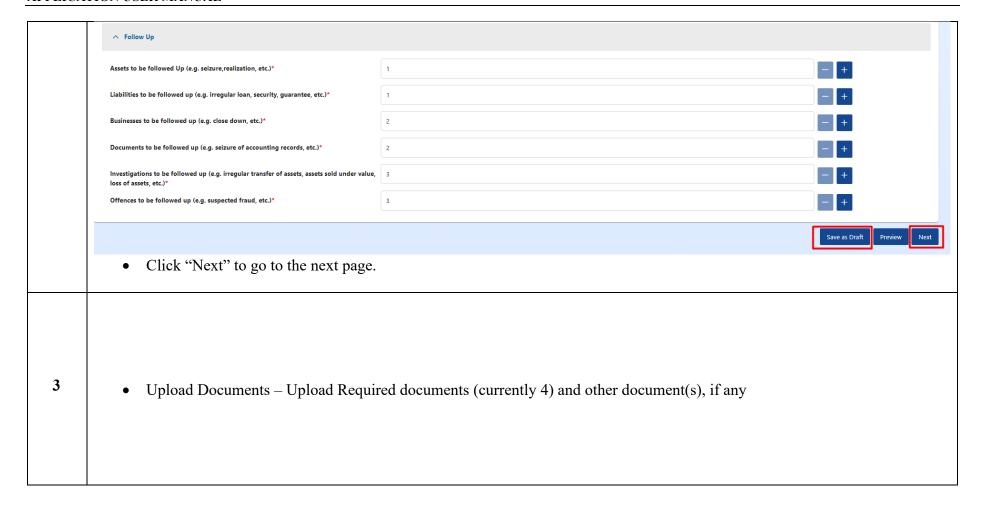


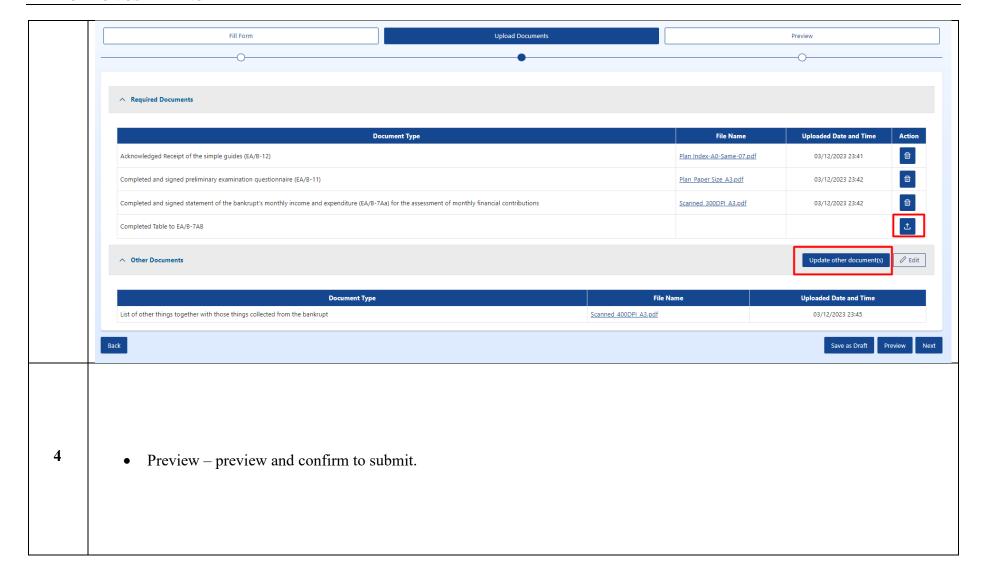
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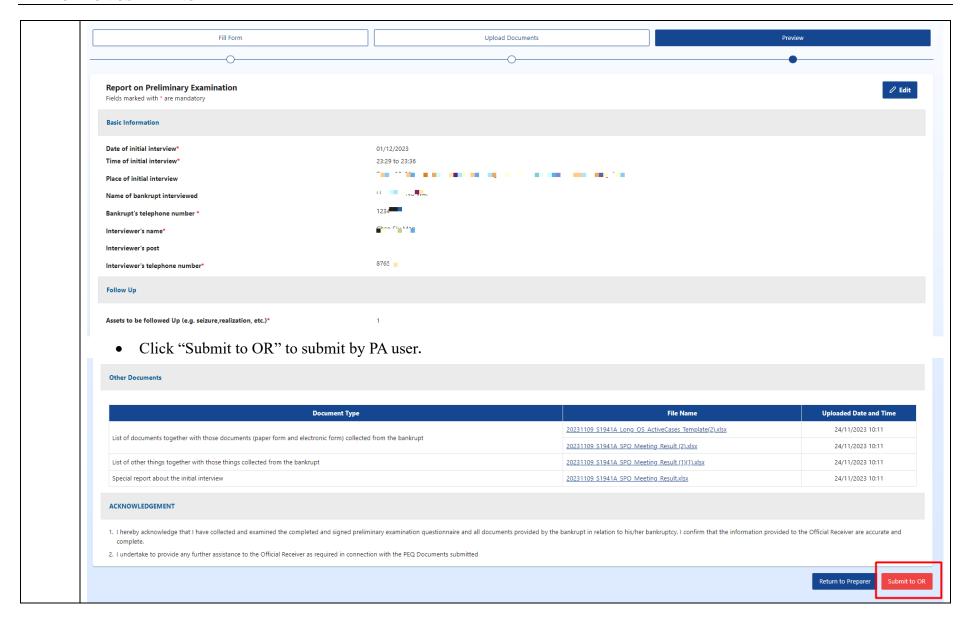
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1	Open PEQ tab under Case Overview

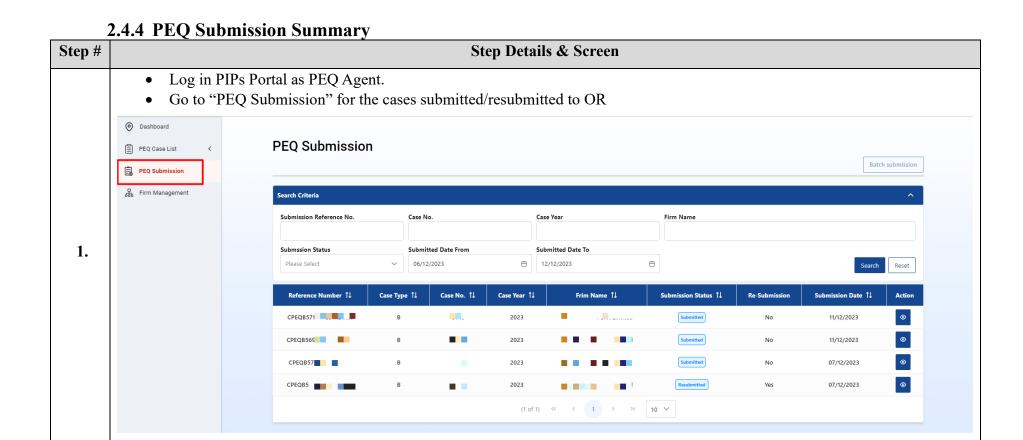








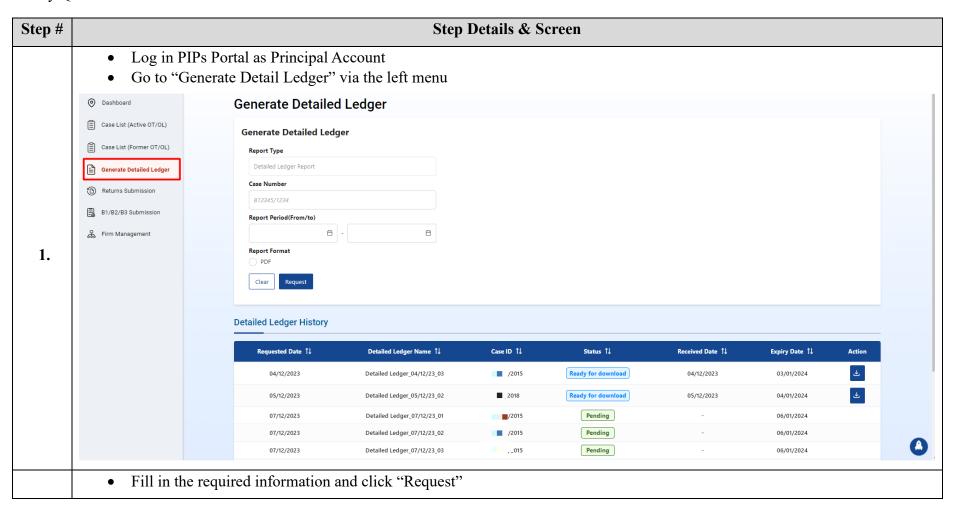


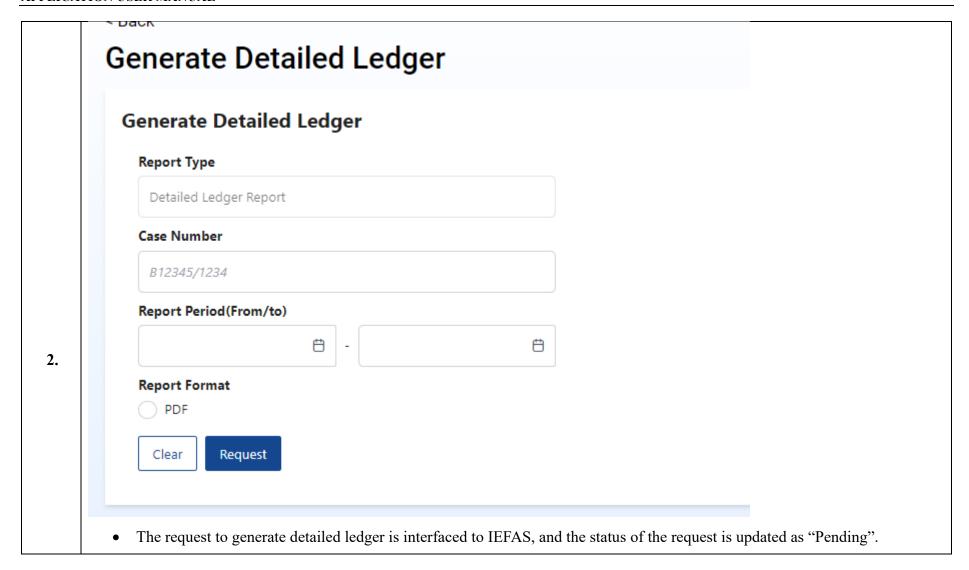


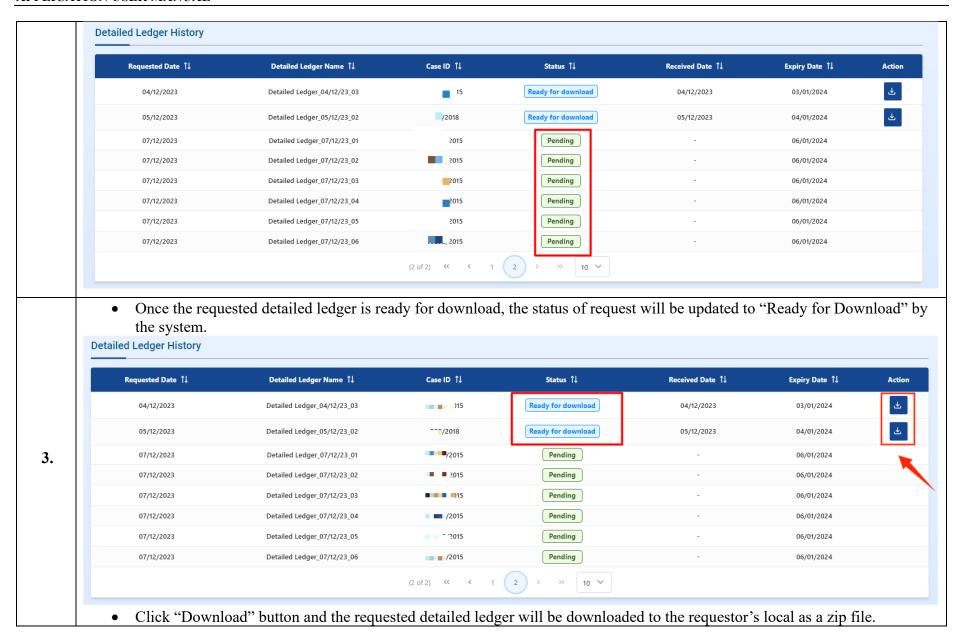
2.5 Generate Detailed Ledger

Allow ESS users to request for detailed ledgers of a certain case from IEFAS via interface and upon receipt of system notification, download the detailed ledger in CSV and/or PDF format within 1-2 working days. Currently, the features of this function have not been completed and

user can only request for detailed ledger for ad-hoc single case in PDF format only. It is expected to complete all the features of this function by Q1 of 2024.







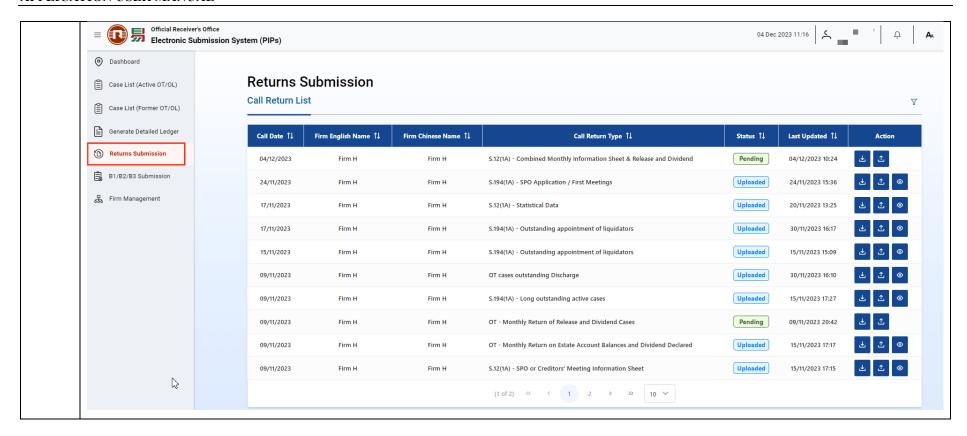
Synchronize the data (including statistical data and SPO application date / 1st GMC date, etc. where appropriate) to the ORMIS and trigger the ORMIS to update the transferred data therein after ESS users (i.e. PTs/OTs and PLs/OLs) submitted call return e-Forms as requested.

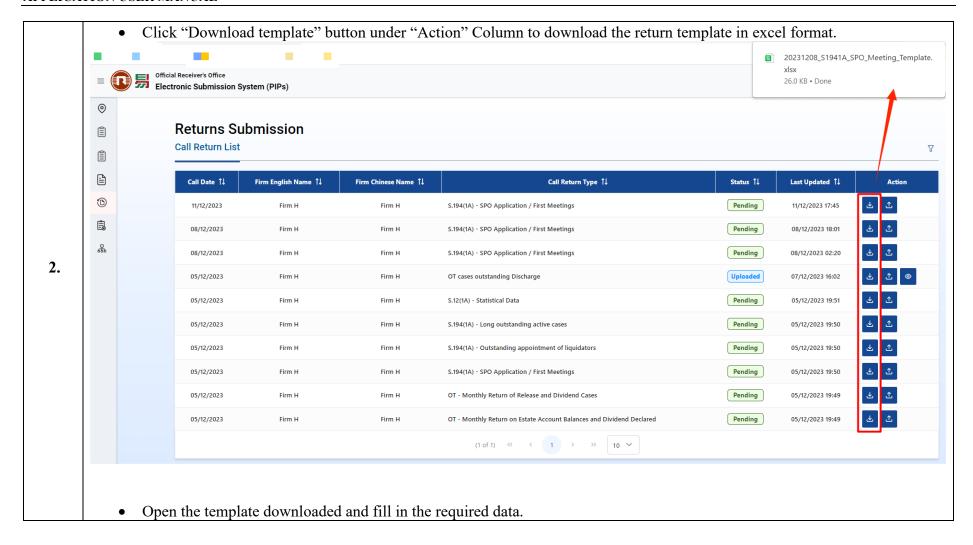
Return Type

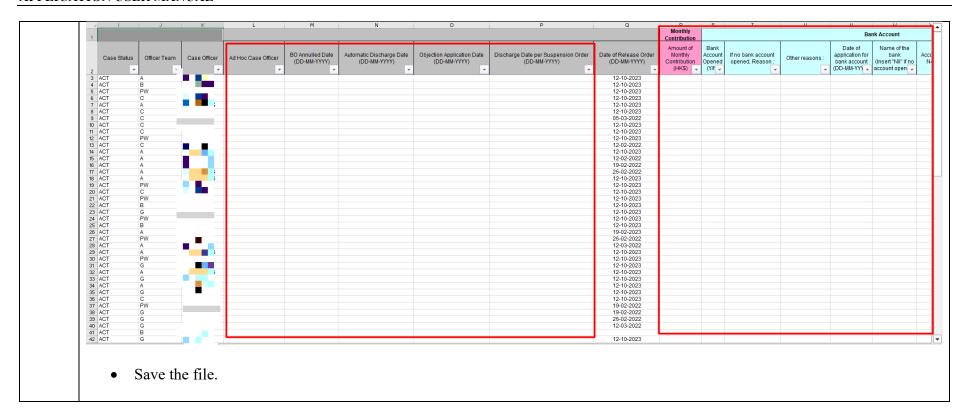
Return-Triggered Day

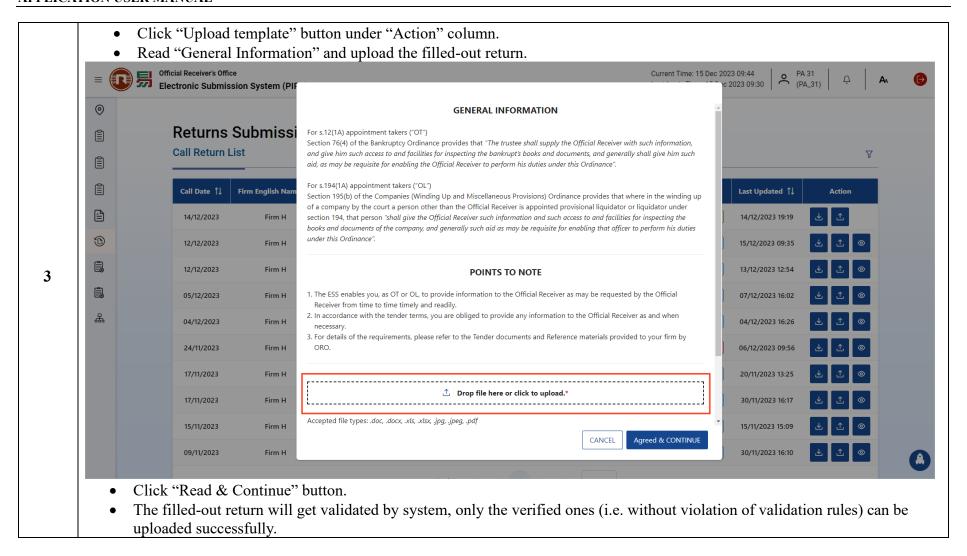
1.	S.12(1A) - Combined Monthly Information Sheet & Release and Dividend	The 1st day of each month (monthly)
2.	S.12(1A) - SPO or Creditors' Meeting Information Sheet	The 1st day of each month (monthly)
3.	S.12(1A) - Monthly Return on Estate Account Balances and Dividend Declared	The 1st day of each month (monthly)
4.	OT - Monthly Return of Release and Dividend Cases	The 1st day of each month (monthly)
5.	OT - Monthly Return on Estate Account Balances and Dividend Declared	The 1st day of each month (monthly)
6.	OT cases - Statistical data	The 1st day of each month (monthly)
7.	S.194(1A) - SPO Application / First Meetings	Every Friday upon requests from ORO
8.	S.194(1A) - Outstanding appointment of liquidators	Every 3 Weeks on Monday (21 days)
9.	S.194(1A) - Long outstanding active cases	The 1st day of each month (monthly)
10.	OT cases - Outstanding discharge	The 1st day of each month (monthly)

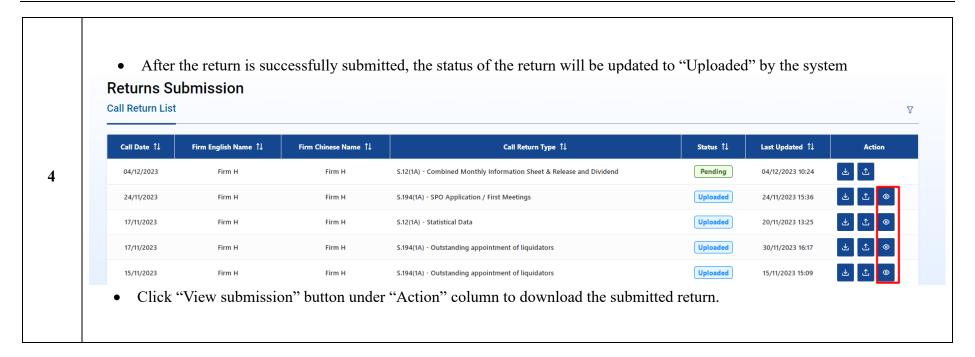
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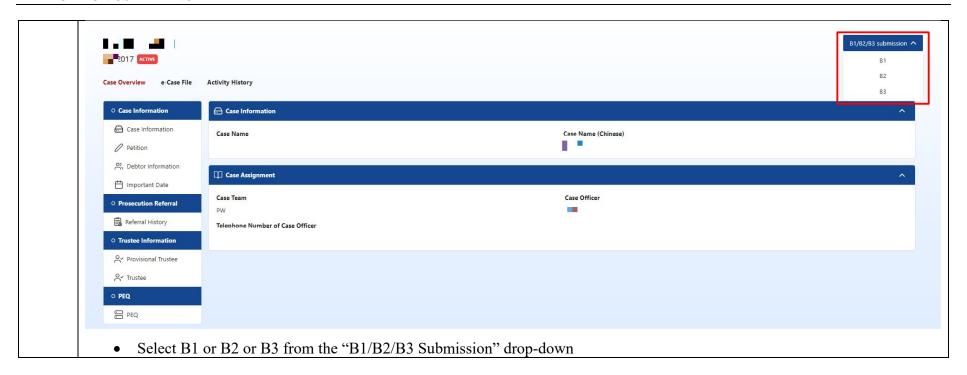


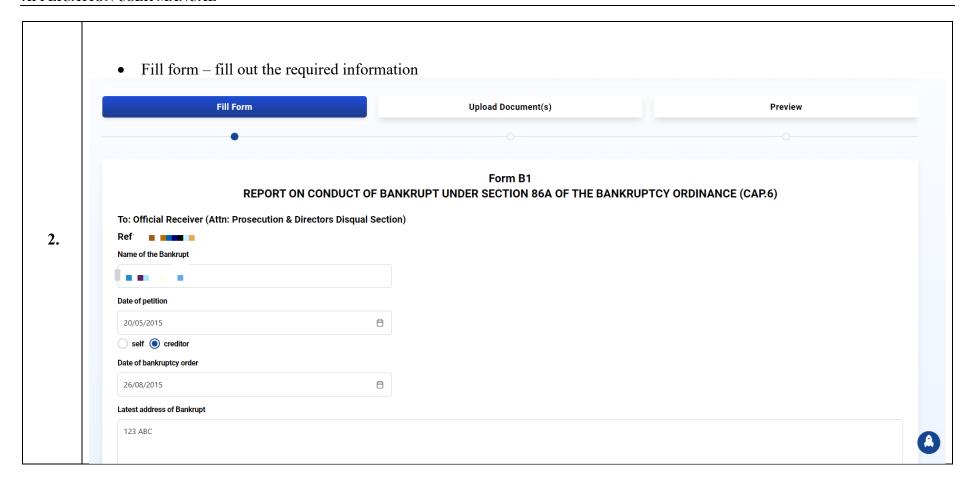
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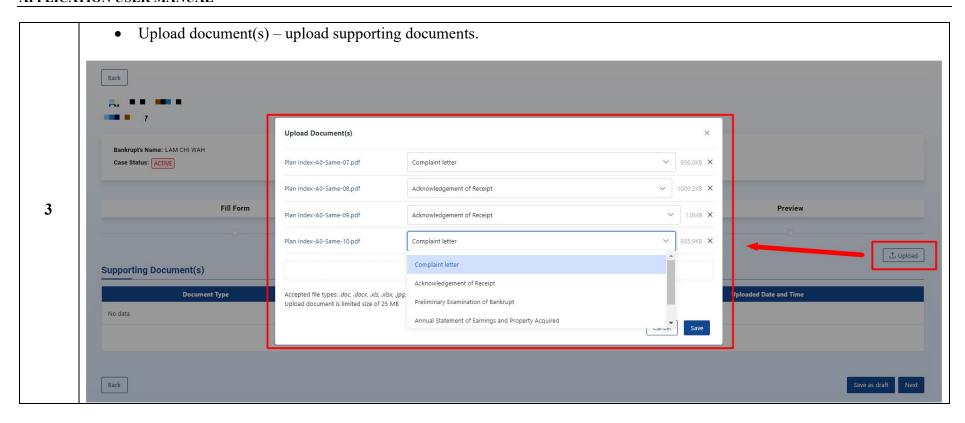
- Allow PTs/OTs to refer cases with possible bankruptcy offences to OR (by Form B1/B2/B3) for considering prosecutions and providing supporting documents(s) on case referrals, if necessary.
- Perform e-Form validation according to the prescribed and built-in data validation and business rules.

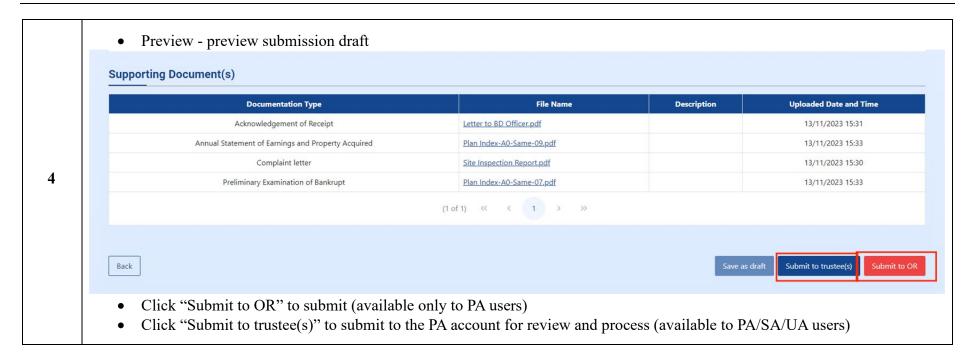
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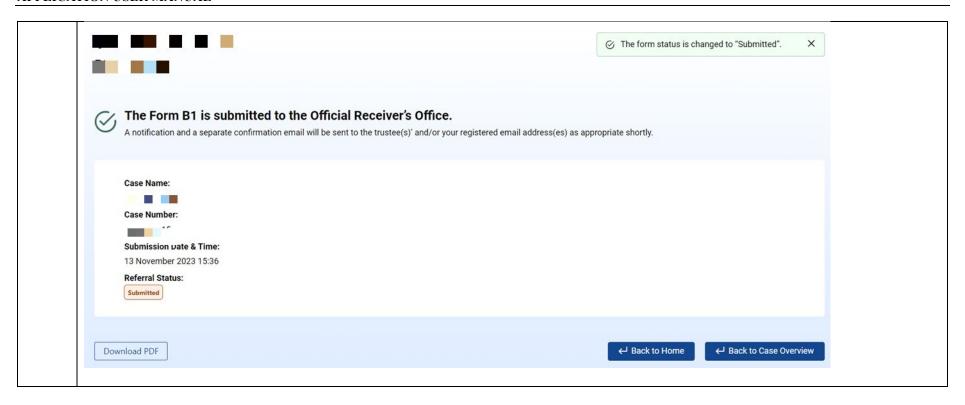
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1.	 Log in PIPs Portal as PA/SA/UA Find out the case and open Case Overview





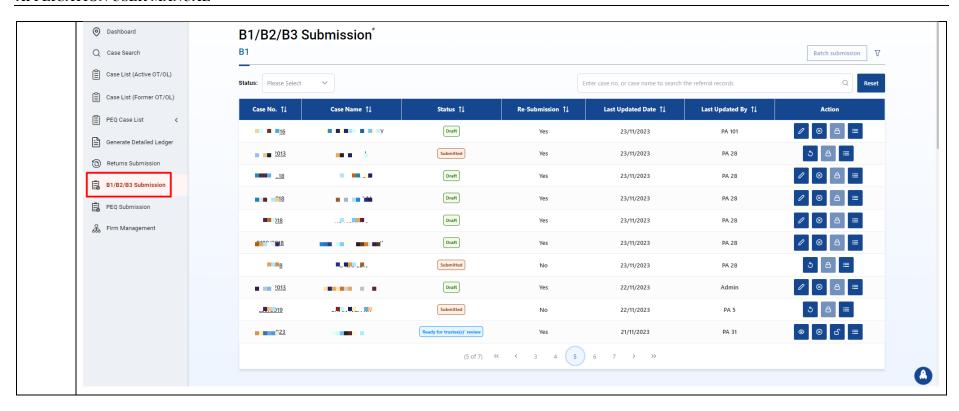


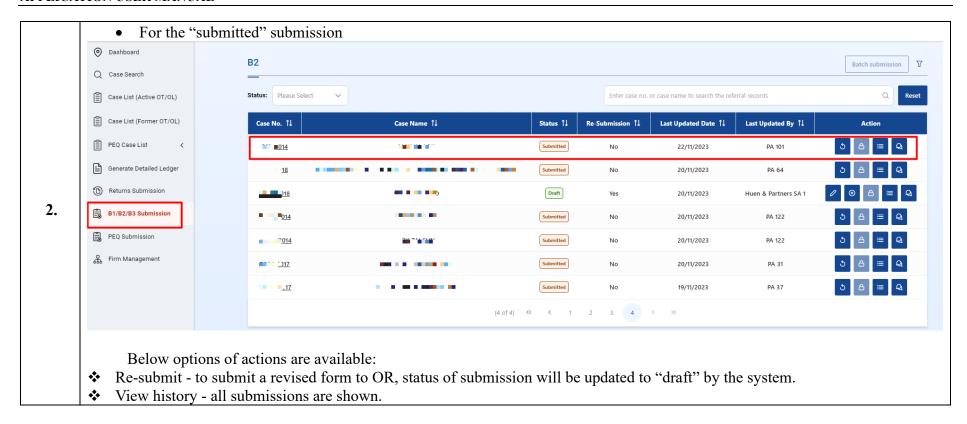


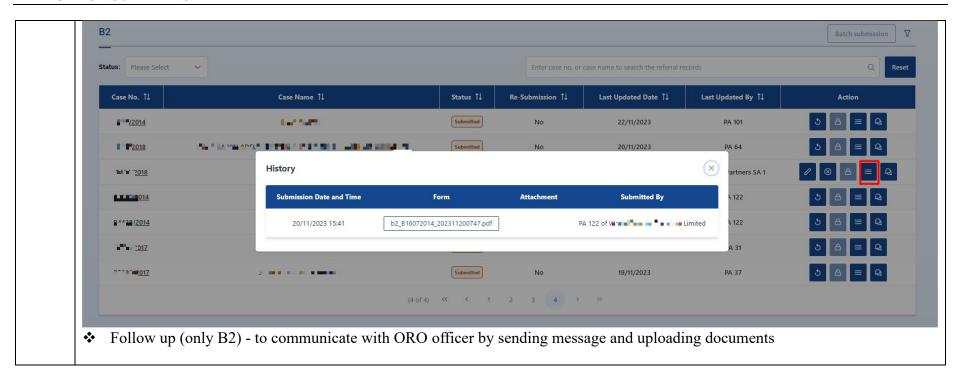


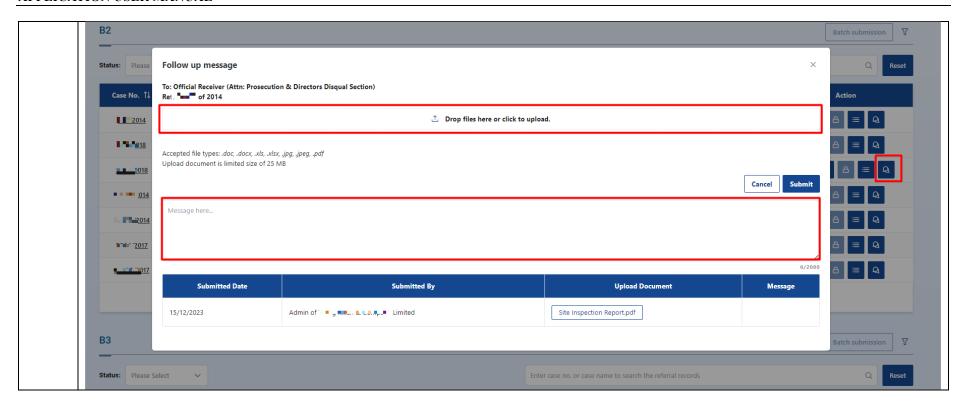
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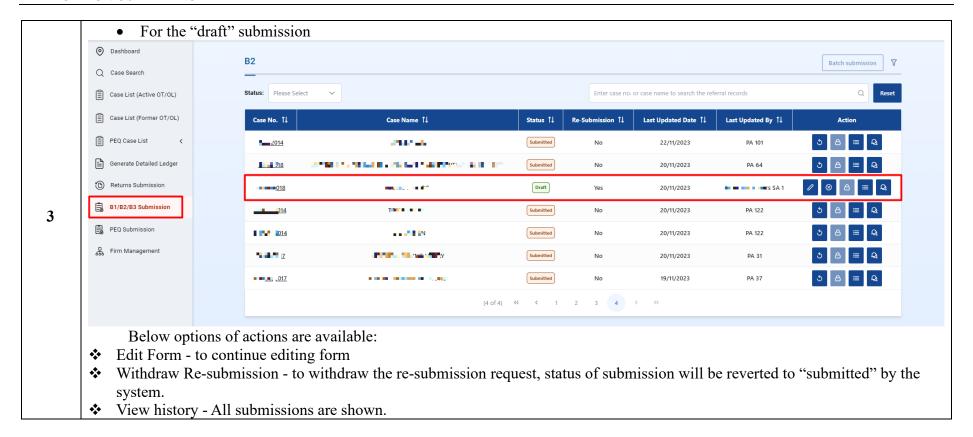
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1.	 Log in PIPs Portal as PA/SA/UA Click "B1/B2/B3 Submission" via left menu

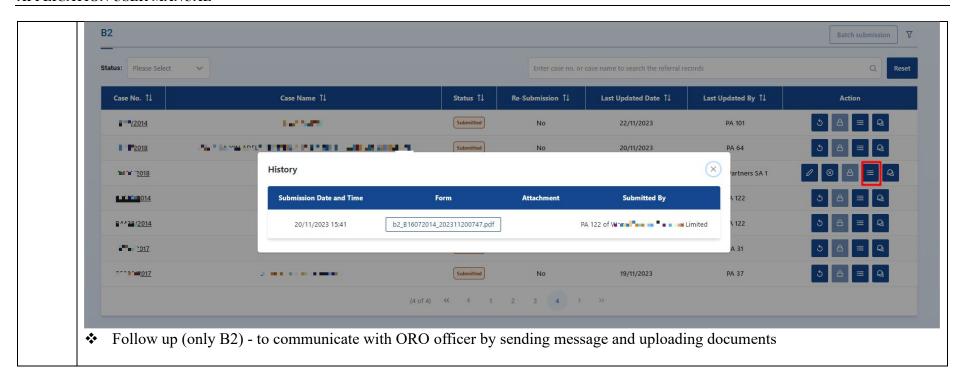


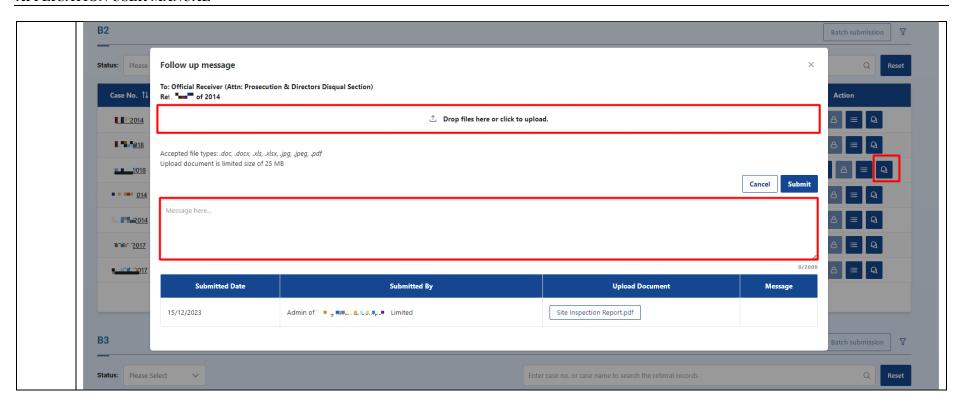


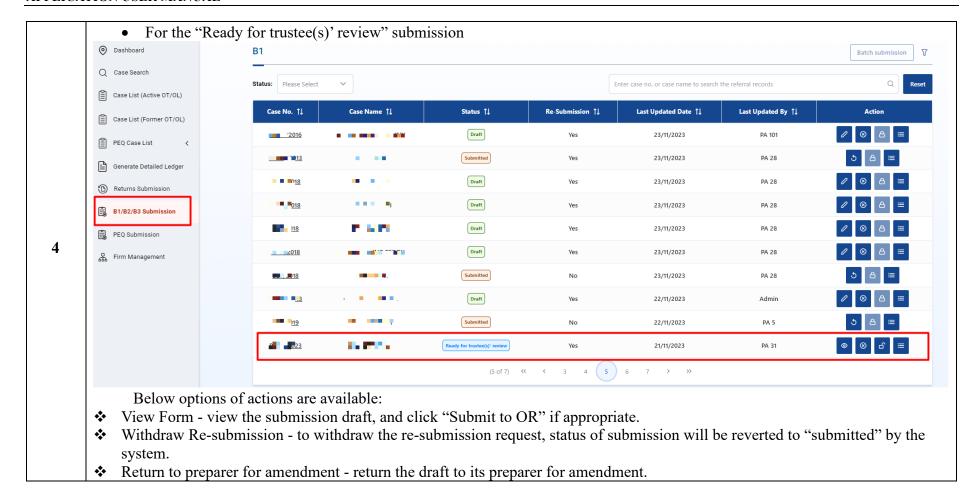


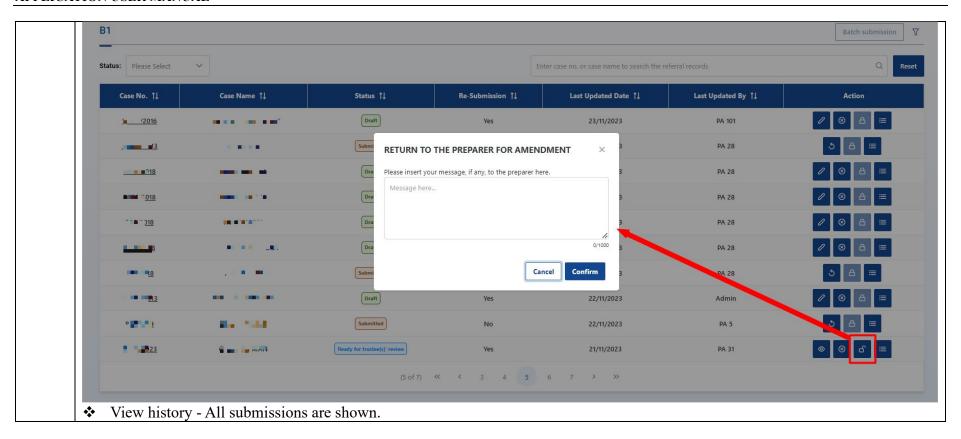


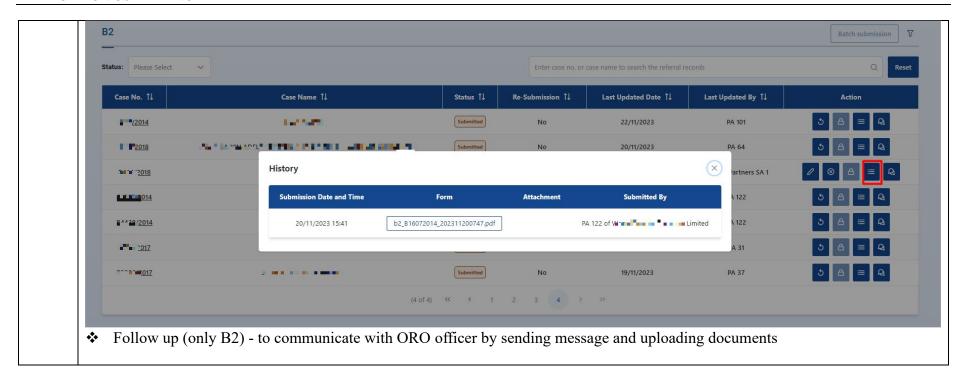


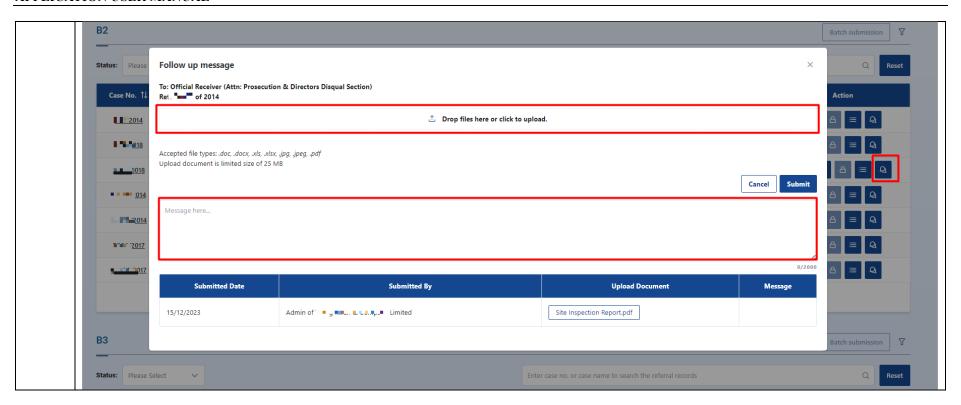


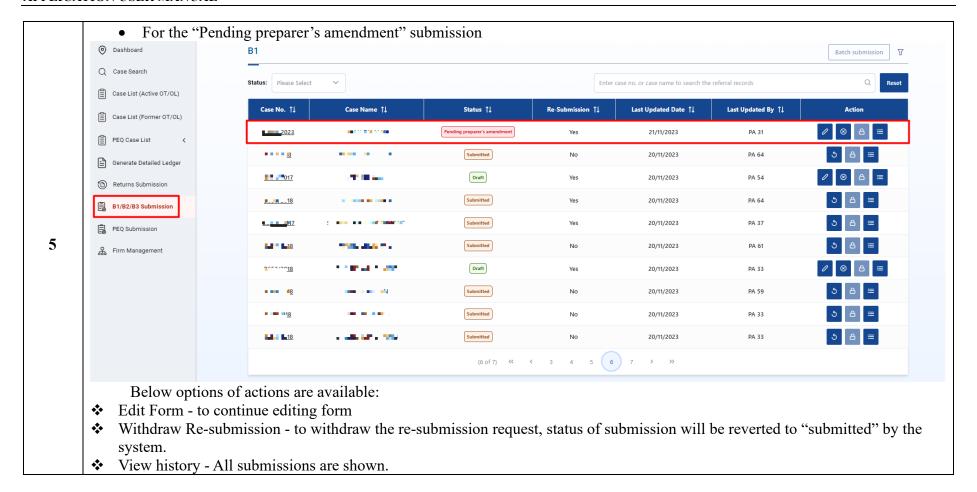


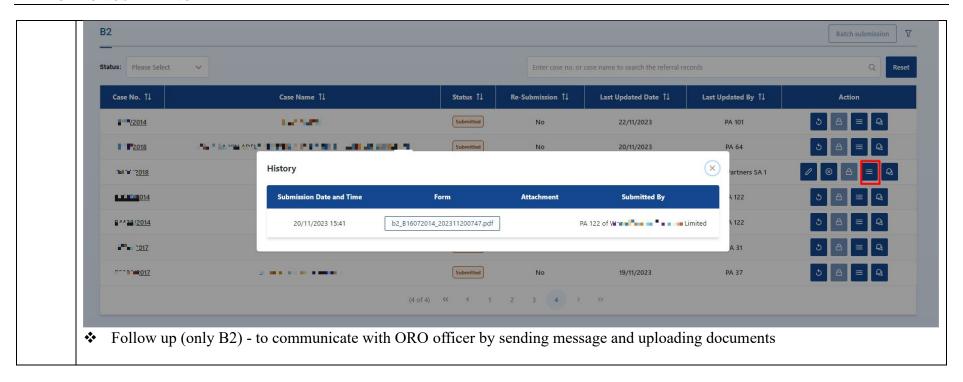


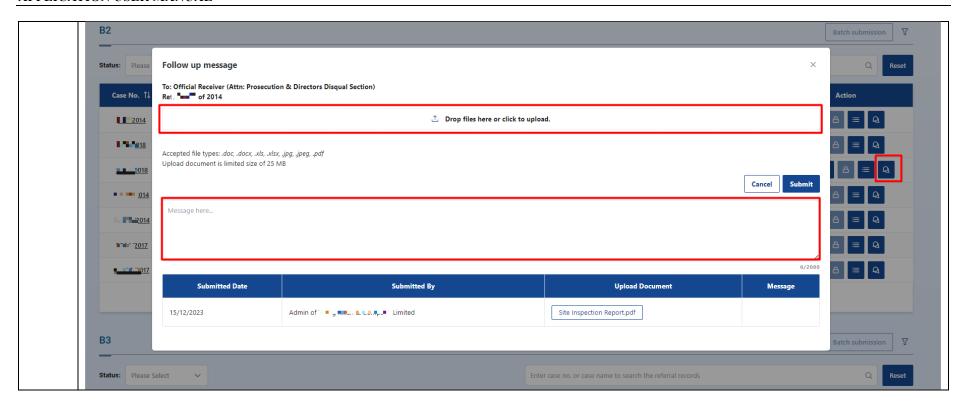






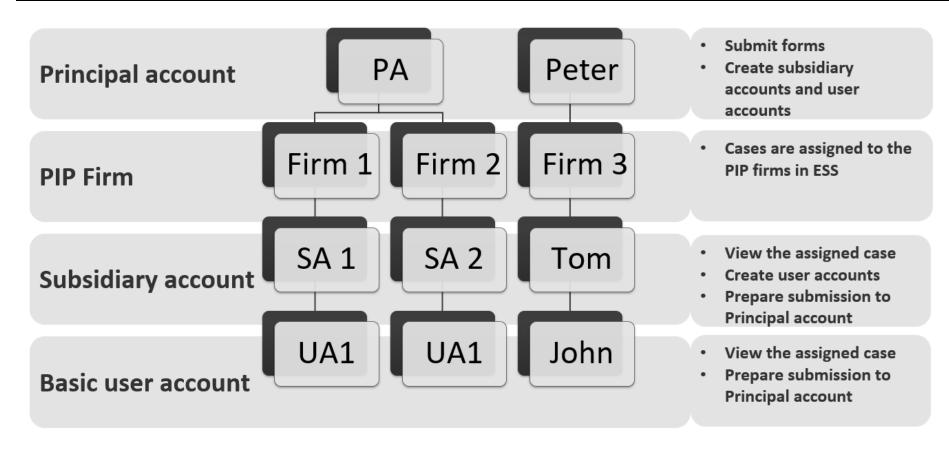






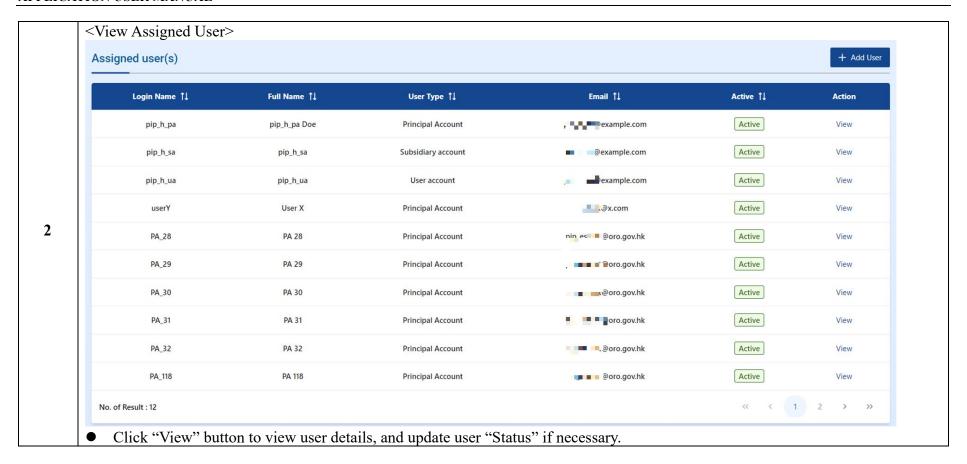
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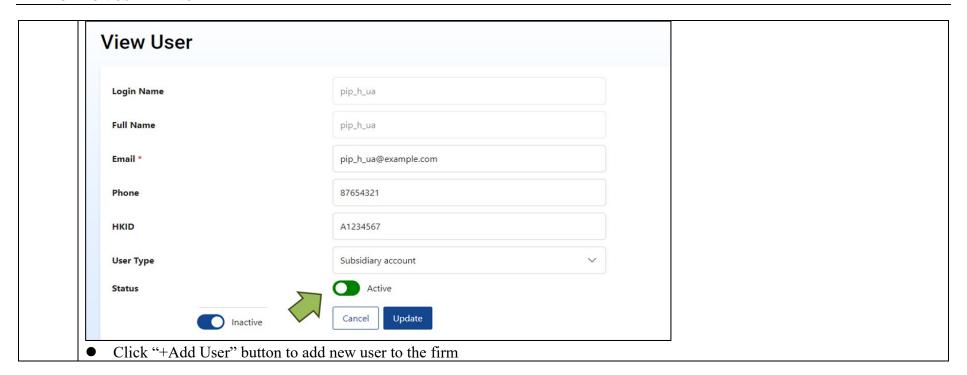
- Enable PIP administrator to maintain, enquire, list and search the PIP users on the PIPs Portal.
- ❖ Maximum number of active PIP user accounts is configurable and maintained under the custody of one PIP administrator.

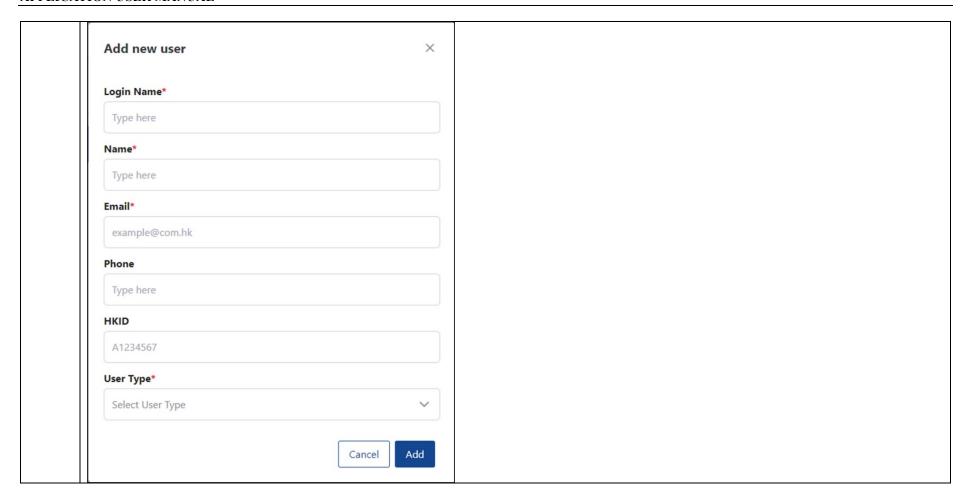


Step # Step Details & Screen









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