



3.2 Payment Voucher & Printing Checks or Bank Transfers

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1. Objectives

The objective of this module is to describe the procedure for adding a Payment Voucher (PV) in the BISAN system and making payments. This procedure assumes procurement is finished and goods and services are received by the procurement department or BRVs have been used as a source document to create PRVs. We start at the point where the Payment Request Voucher (PRV) is completed by the accounting department and is now moving to the final stage of payment.

It is specific to the GRMI financial accounting policies and procedures. As with all other sections in this procedures manual, it starts with a schematic overview of the process then discusses each step in the process in detail.

2. Scope

This procedure is of interest to:

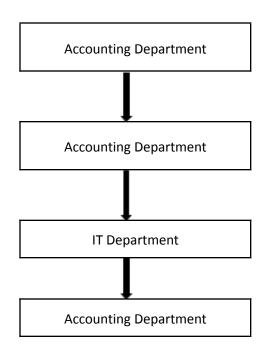
- Accounting Department
- Payments Unit (Check Printing, EFTs)

3. Workflow/Process Flowchart

Workflow Summary

Payment Request Vouchers Processed by Accounting Department Payment Vouchers Created from Payment Request Vouchers Checks/Bank Transfers Printed from Payment Vouchers Checks Distributed to Vendor or Transfer Sent to Bank

Responsible Section



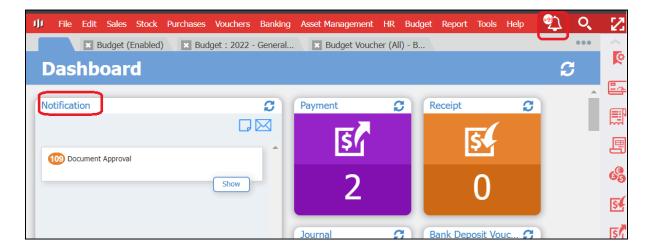
4. Detailed Process Procedures

4.1 Checks/Payment Orders Processed by Accounting Department

This process picks up the next stage once a PRV has been issued per Module 3.1 and reviews how payments are finalized in Bisan.

4.2 Check/Bank Transfer Printing in Bisan

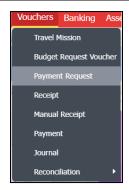
Step 1: Locate the PRV and check the supporting documents. To locate the PRV, go to the Dash Board Notification list OR to the Payment Request Vouchers list and find those PRVs that have passed the allocated stage and are awaiting payment issue. Navigate to your Dashboard Notification list by going to the header when you first log onto Bisan and clicking on the Notification:



This displays a list of any vouchers that have been sent to the user for processing and approving/review/approval/posting/allocation.



You can also navigate to the Payment Request Voucher list on the menu



A list of all saved Payment Request Vouchers still under processing will be displayed



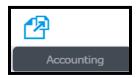
Change the Saved to allocated to show all the allocated vouchers



Select the outstanding PRVs that have been allocated one at a time and double click to open.

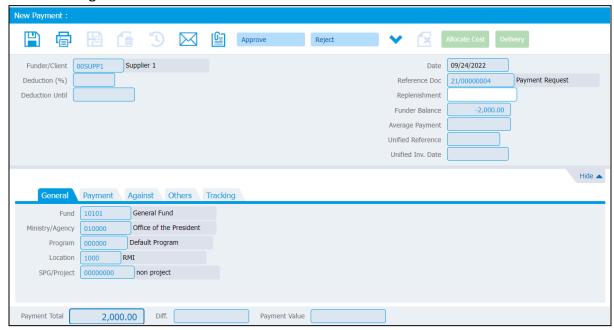
Step 2: Send the PRV to a PV. This step creates a Payment Voucher that will be used to make the check or the bank transfer. When the desired PRV is selected and opened by double-clicking, review the PRV and if in agreement with supporting documentation, click on

the Send To button in the header of the PRV and you will see the following window:

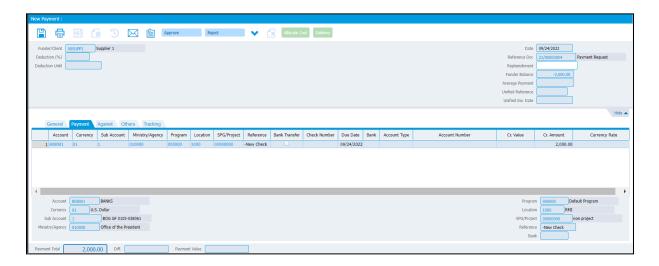


Choose **Accounting** and this will create a PV using the information from the PRV that will be 100% complete based on data specified in the PRV, therefore there are no further decisions to be taken.

The following is an example of a PV that was created from the underlying PRV. This is the general tab and header. You will see that all fields are greyed out so they are inactivated and cannot be changed. Review if it is correct.



Step 3: On the Payment tab, there is nothing to be completed since type of payment (check or transfer) was loaded from the PRV accounting tab. If check was selected the check number will be automatically issued by the system. Simply review to ensure it matches the supporting documentation.



To understand the meaning of the significant fields, the following is a brief explanation:

Bank Transfer/Check Number

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in the box tells Bisan the mode of payment. If NOT checked this means a Check will be issued and if checked this means Bank Transfer will be issued.

Due Date This is taken from the PRV but cannot be changed. It is the check or the bank transfer due date.

Bank For Bank Transfers, not active if method of payment is check. Indicates the code of the receiving bank as listed in Bisan. It is used to print the name of the bank on the Payment transfer. This field is populated from the payment request voucher.

Account Number For Bank Transfers. Not active if method of payment is check. Indicates the IBAN or the beneficiary Account Number for the recipient bank. This field is populated from the payment request voucher.

Save After you have reviewed the header, debit and credit tabs and confirmed that you are going to issue a payment via a check or bank transfer, and are satisfied with the payment

details, click Save and the PV will be saved for finalizing the payment.

4.3 Finalizing the Payment Voucher and Issuing Payment

Bank Transfer

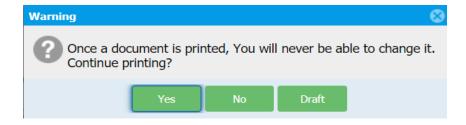
Now that the PV(s) have been saved and loaded from an Approved Payment Request Voucher, the check/bank transfer is ready to be printed.

Current setup per the GRMI Approval Matrix does not have additional approval levels, however, additional approvals can be introduced by the system administrator if required at a later stage.

1.1.1 Post/Print Single Payment voucher:

This is the final stage in the process before printing and will allow the Check or bank transfer to be





Choose **Yes** and this posts the transaction to the General Ledger, closes the payment voucher automatically and prints the check/ bank transfer. A check will be printed from the designated

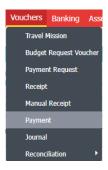
printer that contains the special "watermark" paper (see **Appendix A** for sample of check and payment advice plus **Appendix B** for example of payment voucher bank transfer).

Note

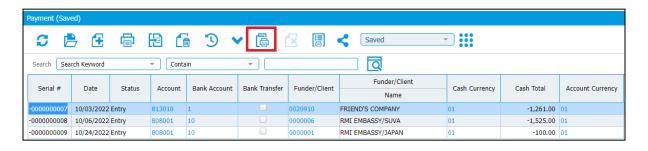
The Check is printed the first time a saved Payment Voucher is **posted**. If a posted voucher is printed again the Hard Copy is marked as Copy.

1.1.2 Post/Print Batch Payment voucher:

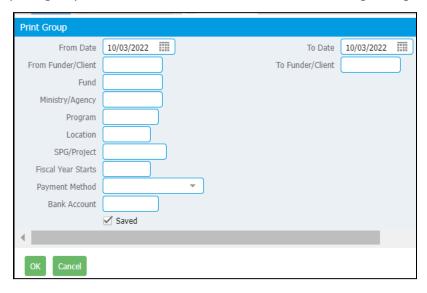
Step 1: To print multiple checks (Batch) navigate to the payment voucher and click



A list of all the saved Payment Vouchers will be displayed



Step 2: click the print group icon in the header the following dialog is displayed



On the dialog specify any required group of payments to be printed by selecting specific date range or specific segments.

Special attention is required for the following fields:

- Payment Method: In this field you can specify to print payments with Bank Transfers or Checks. (Obviously for checks, batch printing the selection should be checks).
- <u>Bank Account</u>: In this field select the bank account from which the checks are issued.
 This is useful if different bank accounts have different colors or different check forms)
- <u>Check box on Saved</u>: For printing the original checks, the payment vouchers should be saved therefore this field should be checked. After the original checks are printed, to print copies for the file in the header you select the Group Posted, use the same filters and uncheck the saved to print copies for the file.

Step 3: Make sure check forms are in the printer and click OK

Note

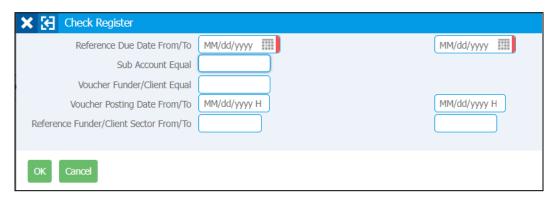
Since only one original check can be printed before posting, when you select Print on the print dialog, select Draft and this will display a draft check printing format to verify before posting.

1.1.3 Printing Check Register

On the main menu navigate to Reports – My Reports – and select Check Register



The following report dialog will be displayed



Report Dialog Inputs

Field	Discussion		
Reference Due	This is the date printed on the check, the report will filter on the range of		
Date From/To	dates selected in those fields		

Field	Discussion			
Sub Account	This is the Bank Account Number the checks were issued from. Double			
Equal.	click and select an account number to filter on. Please note, if an account			
	number is not selected checks from multiple Bank accounts will be included			
	in the report			
Voucher	This is the Beneficiary, you can double click and select to filter on the checks			
Funder/Client	Issued for one Beneficiary.			
Equal				
Voucher	This is to filter on check posting (printing) date, including the hour, minute &			
Posting Date	second. This feature is useful when more than one batch is printed on the			
From/To	same day and you want to generate the report per batch.			
Reference	This is used to generate the report by filtering on a group of beneficiaries by			
Funder/Client	selecting a specific sector assigned in the Funder/Client file. This feature is			
Sector	useful for generating a list for a specific group of beneficiaries, for example, a			
From/To	list of checks printed for Lease Expenses.			

Please refer to **Appendix C**. For the printed Report.

1.2 Printing Payroll Checks

The Payment Voucher for payroll is generated automatically form the payroll module please refer to module 10.1 Payroll section 5.2.3 step 5 for the details.

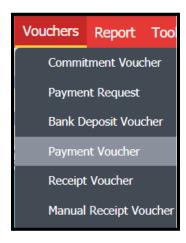
For a payroll check sample with the payroll slip details, please refer to **Appendix D.**

1.3 Recording Delivery of Payments

Optional Feature

On a daily basis, there can be a person responsible for recording the delivery of payments in the Bisan system when vendors have collected their checks and signed the Check Register indicating receipt, or when payment advices are sent to bank for processing. Based on this evidence of delivery to vendor, it is noted in the Bisan system as "Payment Delivered" as follows:

Step 1: Search for the payment voucher on the Bisan system by opening the Payment Voucher screen:



You can either search for the Payment Voucher in the list that appears or use the search function and find the particular voucher.



Step 2: When the desired Payment Voucher is found, open the voucher and click the Delivery button in the header of the voucher as indicated below



After clicking Delivery, the Delivery button will be greyed out and you will be asked to save the voucher when you close the voucher. The status of the voucher has now changed to delivered and indicates that the vendor has collected the check or bank transfer has been sent to bank, however it does not mean that the vendor has taken the check to the bank and the bank has cashed the check or the bank transfer instruction has been processed by the bank.

This is to be completed for each check that has been collected by the vendor, or bank transfer sent to the bank and this should be completed on a daily basis so that at any time a report can be created indicating how many checks/payments have been issued and awaiting collection by the vendors.

5. Accounting Entries in BISAN

When checks are printed, the General Ledger entry made at this time is:

Dr. Expense Account

Cr. Bank

OR

Dr. Accounts Payable/Advances

Cr. Bank

Depending on the nature of the transaction, but the Bank is always at the credit side.

Appendix A: Sample of Check Issued from Bisan



Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands P.O. Box D, Majuro, Marshall Islands MH 96960

Payment 22/00000006

10/24/2022

Paid To 9526619				
AECOM TECHNICAL SERVICES				
4840 COX ROAD, GLEN ALLEN VA, 23060				

 Check
 0000006

 Date
 10/24/2022

 Amount
 349.00

 Supplier Reference

Invoice	Comment	Amount
1900011	Food Stuff	199.00
5000011	Food Stuff	150.00
	Total	349.00

GOVERNMENT OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS

RMI GENERAL FUND P.O. Box D,

Majuro, Marshall Islands MH 96960

PAY

THREE HUNDRED FORTY NINE USD

TO THE ORDER OF

AECOM TECHNICAL SERVICES

Check No. 0000006

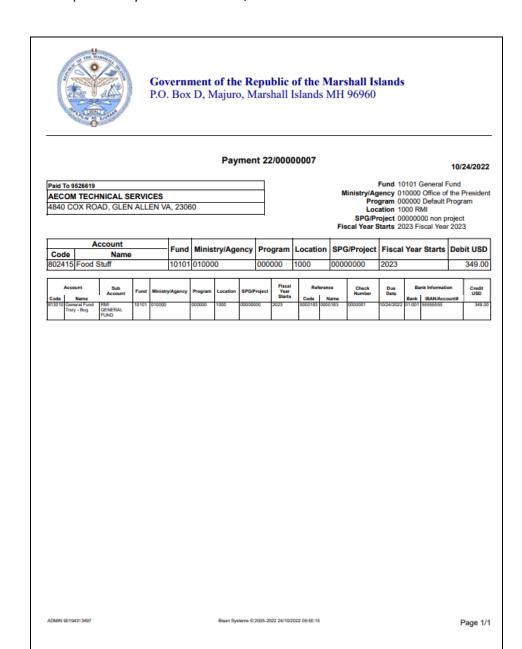
Date Amount 10/24/2022 349.00

Bank of Guam MAJURO BRANCH P. O. Box C Marshall Islands MH9696

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES

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Appendix B: Sample of Payment Voucher / Bank Transfer



Appendix C: Sample Check Register



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Check Register

10/13/2022

Beneficiary	Name	Check No.	Voucher	Due Date	Cr. Amount	Signature of Reciptient
92222221	Supplier 1	0000052	22/00000066 PV	10/13/2022	70,973.42	0
9222222	Supplier 2	0000053	22/00000067 PV	10/13/2022	29,482.25	0
9222223	Supplier 3	0000054	22/00000068 PV	10/13/2022	1,500.00	0
92222224	Supplier 4	0000055	22/00000069 PV	10/13/2022	3,000.00	0
92222225	Supplier 5	0000056	22/00000070 PV	10/13/2022	1,500.00	0
					106,455.67	

Appendix D: Sample Payroll Check

