

EXCHANGE RATES
(Rs. per unit)

	Week ending July 09	Week ending July 09	Year Ago
Commercial Bank Avg. Middle Rate (prevailing at 5.30 a.m.)			
US\$	113.44	113.47	114.90
SGD	171.07	172.26	184.90
Yen	1.28	1.29	1.23
Euro	143.93	142.06	159.75
NR (1)	2.44	2.48	2.37
SDR (As at 08 July '10)	166.66	168.28	177.29
Central Bank purchases and sales of foreign exchange from commercial banks at market rates (US\$ Mn.) - total for Month	59.50	62.50	290.00
Purchases	25.85	0.00	0.00
Sales			

BUYING AND SELLING PRICES OF TREASURY BONDS
Quoted by primary dealers on 08/07/2010

Bond Series	Maturity Period (Years)	Maturity D/M/Y	Average Buying Price	Yield**	Average Selling Price	Yield**
15.50% 2010 C	2	01/08/10	100.41	8.86	100.43	8.40
15.50% 2010 D	2	15/09/10	101.16	8.83	101.22	8.47
15.50% 2010 E	2	15/12/10	102.66	9.08	102.74	8.91
15.50% 2011 A	2	15/01/11	103.14	9.17	103.21	8.93
15.50% 2011 B	2	01/03/11	103.83	9.23	103.97	9.02
15.50% 2011 C	2	15/07/11	102.65	9.22	102.81	9.05
15.50% 2011 A	3	15/02/11	103.04	9.17	103.13	9.03
15.50% 2011 B	3	15/06/11	104.47	9.39	104.61	9.23
15.50% 2011 C	3	15/09/11	105.48	9.48	105.60	9.38
15.50% 2012 A	3	15/01/12	106.93	9.69	107.10	9.37
15.50% 2012 B	3	15/02/12	106.97	9.69	107.13	9.58
15.50% 2012 C	3	15/05/12	106.93	9.65	106.92	9.79
15.50% 2013 A	4	01/04/12	105.87	9.71	106.03	9.61
15.50% 2013 B	4	01/07/12	106.93	9.58	107.25	9.40
15.50% 2013 C	4	01/02/13	108.09	9.85	108.22	9.79
15.50% 2013 A	4	15/06/13	104.23	9.80	104.72	9.61

EXTERNAL FINANCE

	2010 End April	2009 End Dec.	Change
External Assets	US\$ Mn 6,578.0	6,709.8	-2.8
Total Reserves (b)(c)	US\$ Mn 749,752.7	774,235.3	-3.2
Gross Official Reserves (b)	US\$ Mn 5,214.9	5,095.5	2.0
Reserves (b)	US\$ Mn 54,383.9	582,922.9	2.0
Workers Remittances	US\$ Mn 1,198.8	1,046.8	14.5
Outflows	US\$ Mn 138.942	120,232.2	22.7
Inflows	US\$ Mn 1,059.9	918.6	13.5
Net	US\$ Mn 15,944.9	12,993.4	22.7
(a) Provisional			
(b) Excluding A/CU receipts			
(c) By end Apr 2010, the total level of foreign reserves were equivalent to 8 months of imports and the gross official reserves were equivalent to 5.4 months of imports			

EXTERNAL TRADE

	2010 Jan-Apr.	2009 Jan-Apr.	Change
Exports	Rs. Mn 263,566	239,159	10.2
Imports	Rs. Mn 271,862	277,792	-5.3
Trade Balance	Rs. Mn -8,296	-38,633	78.2

AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICE OF RICE MARANDAGAHAMULA

Item	Week ending 09.07.10	Week Ago	Month Ago	Rs/Kg Year Ago
Samba	54.66	53.12	55.71	64.12
Saty Kikulu	41.70	36.40	46.20	55.62
Raw Red	46.80	46.89	49.75	54.35
Indo	44.22	39.34	49.24	56.31

OPEN MARKET OPERATIONS

	08.07.2010	07.07.2010	06.07.2010	05.07.2010
RRepo Auction	30.50	25.00	29.00	32.00
Amount offered (Rs.bn)	27.47	24.70	26.61	30.47
Amount accepted (Rs.bn)	27.47	24.70	26.61	30.47
Weighted Average Yield (11.3%)	8.18	8.18	8.18	8.18
Standing Facilities (VoluMn)	1.55	0.24	0.49	2.40
Repo (Rs.bn)	-	-	-	-
Reverse Repo (Rs.bn)	-	-	-	-

MONEY MARKET ACTIVITY - VOLUMES (Rs. Mn)

(Rs. Mn)	Week ending 08 Jul 10	Week Ago	Year Ago
Inter-Bank Call Money turnover(a)	3,910	4,900	13,013
Central Bank Holdings (a) - Treasury Bills	26,855	20,828	183,992

INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY PRICES

	2010 April	2009 April	Change
Colombo Auction Price Tea (C & F)	US\$Kg 371.99	337.20	10.3
Rice	US\$Kg 2.27	2.87	13.9
Imports (C & F)	US\$Mn 81,115.0	51,296.6	91.3
White Sugar	US\$MT 861.5	437.1	97.1
Cocoa Oil	US\$MT 543.3	425.1	28.0
Wheat	US\$Barrl 65.0	54.5	36.1
Other	US\$MT 247.6	231.1	7.1

INDUSTRIAL EXPORTS

	2010 Jan-Apr.	2009 Jan-Apr.	Change
Total Industrial Exports	Rs. Mn 191,321	184,911	3.5
Food, Beverages and Tobacco	17,886	13,716	30.4
Textiles and Apparel	106,316	120,820	-12.0
Leather, Rubber, etc.	6,909	4,193	64.8
Other	24,243	18,134	33.7
Total Industrial Exports	US\$ Mn 1,647.4	1,611.9	3.9

NOMINAL WAGES

2010(a)	2009	% Change	
Central Government Employees (1978-100(b))	4,651.6	4,473.1	4.0
Workers in Wages Boards (1978-100(b))	2,813.7	2,171.3	29.6
Agriculture	3,315.8	2,359.3	41.3
Industry & Commerce	2,054.0	2,054.0	0.0
Services	1,545.8	1,545.8	0.0
(a) Provisional			
(b) Non-executive officers and minor employees			
(c) The indices were updated to reflect wages rates given in the Public Administration Circular 6/2006.			

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Reverse Repo (Rs.bn)	-	-	-	-

AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES PETAH MARKET

	Week ending 07.07.10	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Rice (Rs/Kg)	58.00	58.50	62.50	68.11
Kikulu (Red)	49.00	50.00	52.00	58.11
Beans	97.50	100.00	83.75	75.86
Cabbage	40.00	40.00	29.38	42.55
Carrots	120.00	120.00	51.25	79.73
Tomatoes	55.00	60.00	46.25	38.77
Pumpkins	35.00	35.00	25.38	30.55
Shallots	35.00	37.50	28.75	28.77
Brinjals	25.00	20.00	34.38	43.87
Ash-Plantains	60.00	60.00	58.13	48.17
Red-Onions (Local)	110.00	115.00	48.75	78.24
Big-Onions (Local)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	54.03
Potatoes (N/Etha)	92.50	93.50	74.67	80.54
Dried Chillies (Imported)	155.00	128.00	149.63	189.89
Dhal (Indian)	128.00	128.00	139.38	172.90
Eggs (Red) (Each)	11.50	12.00	11.83	9.96
Coconut (Each)	23.00	23.00	24.13	21.14
Fish (Rs/Kg)	360.00	330.00	375.00	289.50
Katamala	200.00	n.a.	266.67	210.94
Saltan	n.a.	n.a.	107.50	82.65
Paras (Small)	370.00	390.00	350.00	321.50

GOVERNMENT DEBT

	2010 End April	Month Ago	Year Ago
Total domestic debt	Rs. bn 2,509.1	2,478.2	2,395.3
Treasury bills	511.5	497.3	485.1
Treasury bonds	1,041.1	1,017.5	1,022.4
Repo loans	105.8	106.8	118.0
Total foreign debt	Rs. bn 1,778.1	1,770.4	1,468.2
Total outstanding Govt. debt	Rs. bn 4,287.2	4,248.6	3,863.5

EMPLOYMENT

	2010(a)	2009(a)	2008(a)
Labour Force	48.2	49.2	48.7
Participation rate	58.2	58.2	58.2
Unemployment rate	4.5	5.1	5.8
Employment by Sector %			
Agriculture	33.7	33.9	32.6
Industry	24.7	24.6	25.1
Services and Other	41.6	41.5	42.3

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

	2010 April	2009 April	% Change
Private Sector Industrial Production Index (1997=100)	166.6	173.3	7.7
Public Sector Major Industrial Output Index (1997=100)	80.0	78.7	1.6

AVERAGE CRUDE OIL PRICES

Month	2009 Spot price (New York) (US\$/bbl)	WTI price (US\$/bbl)	CPC Import prices (C&F) (US\$/bbl)	2010 Spot price (New York) closing price (US\$/bbl)	WTI price (US\$/bbl)	CPC Import prices (C&F) (US\$/bbl)
January	42.99	41.36	41.71	76.58	78.32	78.08
February	43.34	39.88	45.64	73.38	78.23	78.29
March	46.75	47.84	46.66	79.00	81.20	78.29
April	50.17	49.62	54.45	84.59	84.38	
May	57.48	59.10	61.98	75.69	73.71	
June	68.85	69.55	72.83	74.75	75.20	
July	69.70	64.26	68.31			
August	72.79	71.04	67.52			
September	67.52	69.22	75.24			
October	63.10	75.78	72.80			
November	77.02	77.89	79.18			
December	74.76	74.47	77.58			
02 July	65.99	66.67		72.30	72.06	
05 July	63.37	64.06		72.11	72.06	
08 July	61.79	62.87		73.62	74.05	
08 July	65.96	65.15		75.21	74.05	

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES PETAH MARKET

	Week ending 07.07.10	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Rice (Rs/Kg)	65.00	65.00	70.00	72.80
Samba	65.00	65.00	70.00	65.45
Kikulu (Red)	49.00	50.00	52.00	58.11
Beans	120.00	120.00	107.50	91.96
Cabbage	70.00	60.00	52.50	65.20
Carrots	130.00	140.00	72.50	93.14
Tomatoes	70.00	100.00	70.00	75.96
Pumpkins	60.00	60.00	38.75	42.25
Shallots	60.00	60.00	47.50	54.41
Brinjals	40.00	30.00	55.00	68.14
Ash-Plantains	80.00	80.00	75.00	62.45
Red-Onions (Local)	140.00	140.00	61.67	101.89
Big-Onions (Local)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	88.99
Potatoes (N/Etha)	110.00	110.00	90.00	93.90
Dried Chillies (Imported)	200.00	200.00	190.00	212.90
Dhal (Indian)	140.00	140.00	143.75	187.86
Eggs (Red) (Each)	12.00	12.50	12.33	10.23
Coconut (Each)	28.00	28.00	27.50	25.14
Fish (Rs/Kg)	400.00	450.00	445.00	390.51
Katamala	300.00	n.a.	303.33	231.90
Saltan	n.a.	250.00	135.00	112.24
Paras (Small)	1000.00	937.50	993.33	972.50

GOVERNMENT FINANCE

	2010 Jan-April	2009 Jan-April
Revenue and Grants (Rs.bn)	243.3	199.8
Revenue (Rs.bn)	240.7	189.9
Tax	204.0	175.1
Non tax	36.6	14.8
Grants	2.7	9.9
Expenditure & Lending	410.9	402.5
Minus Repayments (Rs.bn)	327.0	317.5
Current Capital & Lending Minus Repayments	83.8	85.0

TOURISM

	2010(a)	2009	2008
Tourist Arrivals	233,922	157,495	48.5
Arrivals from Tourism	US\$ Mn 205.8	122.9	68.8
Provisional			

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