

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

11 - 11 - 2011

EXCHANGE RATES (Rs. per unit)

Week ending Nov 11	Year ago	% Change
Commercial Bank Avg. Middle Rate (prevailing at 9.30 a.m.)		
US\$	110.24	111.69
SG\$	175.57	180.35
Yen	1.42	1.35
Euro	149.96	153.26
INR (1)	2.20	2.51
SDR (As at 03 Nov '11)	172.99	174.37
Central Bank purchases and sales of foreign exchange from commercial banks at market rates (US\$ Mn.) - total for Month	August	Year Ago
Purchases	0.00	87.00
Sales	197.60	65.40
Average Daily Interbank Volume (US\$ Mn.)	Nov 11	Year Ago
(spot, tom and cash transactions among commercial banks)	86.35	49.04
Forward Transactions Forward Rates (US\$)(2)	Month Ago	Year Ago
1 month	110.70	111.71
3 months	111.66	111.84
Average Daily Interbank Forward Volume (US\$ Mn)	Month Ago	Year Ago
(As at 09 Nov '11)	1,397.92	798.92

In nominal terms the Rupee appreciated against the SG\$, Euro, INR and SDR while it depreciated against the Yen.

(1) Central Bank indicative rate. (2) Weekly average based on actual transactions.

INTEREST RATES (%)

Week ending Nov 11	Year ago	% Change
Commercial Bank Average Lending Rate (AWPR)	9.96	9.36
Treasury Bill Yield (Excluding 10% withholding tax)		
- 91 days	7.39	7.29
- 182 days	7.45	7.38
- 364 days	7.59	7.55
Central Bank Overnight Repurchase rate (Repo)	7.00	7.25
Central Bank Overnight Reverse Repurchase rate	8.50	9.00
Call Money Weekly Average (CMR)	8.04	7.98
Sri Lanka Inter Bank Offer Rate (SLIBOR)		
1 day	8.05	8.15
7 days	8.13	8.43
1 month	8.27	8.43
3 months	8.48	8.56
6 months	8.65	8.78
12 months	8.86	9.06
August 2011	Month ago	Year ago
Saving Deposits - Commercial Banks	1.00-8.50	1.50-8.50
One Year Fixed Deposits - Commercial Banks	5.05-10.00	6.50-17.00

NOMINAL WAGES

2011(a)	2010 Oct	% Change
Central Government Employees (1978=100)(b)	4,964.5	6.7
Workers in Wages Boards Trades (1978=100)	2,936.4	4.4
Agriculture	3,337.0	0.5
Industry & Commerce	2,402.1	16.9
Services	1,851.8	19.8

(a) Provisional
(b) Non-executive officers and minor employees

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

2011*	2010 Jan-Aug	% Change
Private Sector Industrial Production Index (1997=100)	201.9	9.0
Public Sector Major Industrial Output Index (1997=100)	80.4	21.6

* Provisional

PRICE INDICES

Oct 2011	Year Ago	% Change
Colombo Consumers' Price Index (C CPI) (2006/07 = 100)	151.5	144.1
Annual Average Change %	7.1	5.7
Year-on-Year Change %	5.1	6.5
Core Inflation - (CCPI) (2006/07 = 100)	152.4	144.3
Annual Average Change %	7.5	6.6
Year-on-Year Change %	5.6	7.2
Wholesale Price Index (WPI) (1974 = 100)	4,139.9	3,704.8
Annual Average Change %	14.7	8.7

* Provisional

COMMERCIAL PAPER ISSUES (1)

2011*	2011 End Aug	2010 End Dec
Total issues (Rs. bn.)	4.1	12.3
Outstanding (at the end of the period) (Rs. bn.)	2.5	4.3

* Provisional
(1) Based on the information provided by Licensed Commercial Banks and Licensed Specialised Banks.

BUYING AND SELLING PRICES OF TREASURY BONDS Quoted by primary dealers on 09/11/2011

Bond Series	Maturity Period (Years)	Maturity D/M/Y	Average Buying Price*	Yield**	Average Selling Price*	Yield**
06.90% 2012 A	2	01/08/12	99.53	7.55	99.61	7.44
08.84% 2013 A	2	05/10/13	101.43	8.01	101.59	7.92
06.60% 2014 A	2	01/02/14	96.88	8.15	97.07	8.05
14.50% 2012 A	3	15/01/12	101.21	7.42	101.23	7.34
14.50% 2012 B	3	15/02/12	101.79	7.41	101.81	7.33
06.75% 2013 A	3	01/09/13	98.08	7.90	98.22	7.81
13.50% 2012 A	4	01/04/12	102.27	7.46	102.30	7.38
13.50% 2012 B	4	01/07/12	103.67	7.51	103.73	7.42
13.50% 2013 A	4	01/02/13	106.47	7.84	106.60	7.74
11.50% 2013 A	4	15/06/13	105.34	7.87	105.49	7.77
07.00% 2014 A	4	01/03/14	96.94	8.48	97.14	8.38
06.60% 2014 B	4	01/06/14	95.94	8.39	96.13	8.31
06.20% 2015 A	4	15/01/15	93.41	8.61	93.60	8.53
06.20% 2015 B	4	15/06/15	92.03	8.83	92.24	8.76
06.85% 2012 C	5	01/03/12	99.80	7.41	99.82	7.34
11.25% 2014 A	5	15/07/14	106.67	8.41	106.91	8.31

AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICE OF RICE MARANDAGAHAMULA

Rs/Kg	Week ending 11.11.11	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Samba	62.83	58.30	55.65	64.12
Sudu Kekulu	48.17	47.70	47.21	55.62
Raw Red	51.17	50.20	46.76	54.35
Nadu	51.00	49.54	48.25	56.31

MONEY MARKET ACTIVITY - VOLUMES (Rs. Mn)

(Rs. Mn)	Week ending 09 Nov.11	Week ago	Year ago
Inter-Bank Call Money turnover(a)	8,732	8,412	4,508
Central Bank Holdings (a)	87,429	82,978	1,971

(a) Daily average for week

CREDIT CARDS *

2011	2011 End Aug**	2010 End July	End Dec.
Total number of Active Cards	829,573	822,153	778,474
Local (accepted only locally)	61,711	61,614	58,771
Global (accepted globally)	767,862	760,539	719,703
Outstanding balance (Rs. Mn.)	34,711	33,917	31,616
Local (accepted only locally)	1,044	1,022	840
Global (accepted globally)	33,667	32,895	30,775

* Issued by licensed commercial banks
** Provisional

GOVERNMENT DEBT SECURITIES MARKET

Item/Week ended	Week ending 09 Nov 2011	Week ending Nov 02 2011
Outstanding Stock of Government Securities	Rs. Mn.	Rs. Mn.
T-bills		
o/w, amounts held by PDs	684,108	686,675
o/w, amounts held by Foreign Investors	70,753	71,723
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T-bonds		
o/w, amounts held by PDs	2,014,787	2,011,787
o/w, amounts held by Foreign Investors	45,841	46,665
Primary Issues/o/w, amounts held by Foreign Investors	201,280	200,153
T-bills		
Amount offered	10,000	12,000
Total Bids received	18,961	16,202
Total bids accepted	9,805	0
T-bonds		
Amount offered	0	0
Total bids received	0	0
Total bids accepted	0	0
Latest Primary Issues		
T-bills		
= 91 days	7.39%	0.00%
= 182 days	7.45%	0.00%
= 364 days	7.59%	0.00%
T-bonds		
2 year	Last Issue 0.00%	0.00%
2 year	Last Issue 15.02.11	7.77%
3 year	Last Issue 17.01.11	7.99%
4 year	Last Issue 15.07.11	8.20%
5 year	Last Issue 16.06.11	8.60%
6 year	Last Issue 17.10.11	8.85%
10 year	Last Issue 01.02.11	9.15%
15 year	Last Issue 01.03.11	9.30%
20 year	Last Issue 23.10.03	6.08%
Secondary Market Activities		
Outright transactions		
Purchased	1,948	4,243
Sold	2,763	6,747
Repo transactions		
Repurchase	15,729	20,100
Reverse Repurchase	1,611	2,573
T-bonds		
Outright transactions		
Purchased	5,105	12,359
Sold	4,394	15,833
Repo transactions		
Repurchase	80,214	91,585
Reverse Repurchase	4,855	6,440
Item/Week Ended		
Secondary Market		
	Week ending 2011	Week ending Nov 02 2011
	After tax	After tax
Weighted Average Yield Rates		
Treasury Bills		
Purchased		
= 91 days	7.50%	7.30%
= 182 days	7.55%	7.40%
= 364 days	7.70%	7.49%
Sold		
= 91 days	7.40%	7.25%
= 182 days	7.45%	7.35%
= 364 days	7.60%	7.44%
Treasury Bonds		
Purchased		
= 1 year	0.00%	0.00%
= 2 year	8.00%	8.05%
= 3 year	9.05%	8.65%
= 4 year	9.40%	9.20%
= 5 year	9.80%	9.40%
= 10 year	0.00%	9.75%
= 15 year	0.00%	9.85%
= 15 year	0.00%	0.00%
Sold		
= 1 year	0.00%	0.00%
= 2 year	8.00%	8.05%
= 3 year	9.05%	8.60%
= 4 year	9.30%	9.15%
= 5 year	9.50%	9.30%
= 10 year	0.00%	9.70%
= 15 year	0.00%	9.75%
= 15 year	0.00%	0.00%

Source: Primary Auctions and Primary Dealer Weekly Reporting System

OPEN MARKET OPERATIONS

Rs/Kg	08.11. 2011	09.11. 2011	11.11. 2011	2011
Repo Auction				
Amount offered (Rs.bn)	38.00	34.00	40.00	
Bids received (Rs.bn)	35.32	29.32	32.08	
Amount accepted (Rs.bn)	35.32	29.32	32.08	
Weighted Average Yield (% p.a.)	7.08	7.08	7.08	
Standing Facilities (Volumes)				
Repo (Rs.bn.)	2.62	4.83	2.94	
Reverse Repo (Rs.bn)				

AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES PETTAH MARKET

Week ending 09.11.11	Month Ago	Year Ago	Ago Annual Avg
Rice (Rs/Kg)			
Samba	61.50	61.50	62.75
Kekulu (Red)	50.00	51.00	49.50
Beans	160.00	150.00	95.00
Cabbage	30.00	30.00	31.35
Carrots	80.00	70.00	80.00
Tomatoes	120.00	105.00	50.00
Pumpkins	55.00	35.00	36.25
Snakegourd	70.00	50.00	31.25
Brinjals	70.00	35.00	15.00
Ash-Plantains	50.00	50.00	38.75
Red-Onions (Local)	75.00	105.00	83.75
Big-Onions (Local)	75.00	70.00	63.75
Potatoes (N/Eliya)	92.50	86.50	85.75
Dried Chillies (Imported)	235.00	235.00	246.25
Dhal (Indian)	98.00	98.00	98.50
Eggs (Red) (Each)	9.80	9.80	10.18
Coconut (Each)	25.50	25.00	26.38
Fish (Rs/Kg)			
Kelawalla	320.00	320.00	241.67
Balaya	220.00	220.00	238.33
Salaya	100.00	70.00	108.33
Paraw (Small)	350.00	330.00	410.00

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES PETTAH MARKET

Week ending 09.11.11	Month Ago	Year Ago	Ago Annual
Rice (Rs/Kg)			
Samba	68.00	68.00	66.50
Kekulu (Red)	60.00	58.00	54.50
Beans	180.00	180.00	115.00
Cabbage	50.00	50.00	57.50
Carrots	100.00	90.00	100.00
Tomatoes	150.00	130.00	75.00
Pumpkins	70.00	60.00	62.50
Snakegourd	90.00	80.00	60.00
Brinjals	90.00	60.00	35.00
Ash-Plantains	70.00	70.00	61.25
Red-Onions (Local)	130.00	140.00	154.00
Big-Onions (Local)	90.00	80.00	83.33
Potatoes (N/Eliya)	110.00	120.00	100.00
Dried Chillies (Imported)	270.00	270.00	282.25
Dhal (Indian)	120.00	120.00	120.00
Eggs (Red) (Each)	10.00	10.00	10.38
Coconut (Each)	33.00	33.00	33.50
Fish (Rs/Kg)*			
Kelawalla	490.00	490.00	480.00
Balaya	360.00	360.00	312.50
Salaya	150.00	110.00	100.00
Paraw (Small)	460.00	460.00	486.25

* Prices collected from the Fisheries Trade Centre, Peliyagoda.

DAUMBULLA MARKET

Week Ending - 09 Nov 2011 (Rs.Kg)	Wholesale (Average)	Retail (Average)
Food Item		
Rice		
Samba	58.50	