

# ECONOMIC INDICATORS

11 - 05 - 2012

## EXCHANGE RATES (Rs. per unit)

	Week ending May 11	Week ago	Year ago
Commercial Bank Avg. Middle Rate (prevailing at 9.30 a.m.)			
US\$	127.61	127.05	109.78
STG	205.70	205.73	179.66
Yen	1.60	1.59	1.36
Euro	164.85	167.16	157.95
INR (1)	2.40	2.40	2.46
SDR (As at 10 May '12)	196.68	198.37	175.39
<b>Central Bank purchases and sales of foreign exchange from commercial banks at market rates (US\$ Mn.) - total for Month</b>	Feb. 2012	Month Ago	Year Ago
Purchases	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sales	367.43	609.80	170.75
	<b>Week ending</b>	<b>Week Ago</b>	<b>Year Ago</b>

	Week ending May 11	Week ago	Year ago
Average Daily Interbank Volume (US\$ Mn.) (spot, tom and cash transactions among commercial banks)	28.45	43.53	62.19
<b>Forward Transactions</b>			
Forward Rates (US\$)(2)			
1 month	129.08	130.88	109.99
3 months	131.07	132.80	110.31
Average Daily Interbank Forward Volume (US\$ Mn)	10.63	10.86	27.57
Outstanding Forward Volume (US\$ Mn) (As at 10 May '12)	1,201.01	1,240.43	1,100.66

## AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES PETTAH MARKET

	Week ending 10.05.12	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago Annual
<b>Ave Rice (Rs/Kg)</b>				
Samba	68.00	68.00	69.50	68.84
Kekulu (Red)	55.00	55.00	55.00	58.41
Beans	160.00	180.00	122.50	147.49
Cabbage	70.00	60.00	50.00	91.57
Carrots	90.00	80.00	85.00	131.18
Tomatoes	160.00	170.00	90.00	114.71
Pumpkins	50.00	40.00	42.50	58.24
Snake Gourd	110.00	120.00	65.00	73.40
Brijnals	120.00	100.00	65.00	81.57
Ash-Plantains	50.00	60.00	60.00	76.57
Red-Onions (Local)	120.00	100.00	57.50	157.83
Big-Onions (Local)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	78.89
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	120.00	110.00	105.00	115.31
Dried Chillies (Imported)	200.00	200.00	220.00	270.58
Dhal (Indian)	150.00	140.00	140.00	134.94
Eggs (Red) (Each)	7.00	7.00	9.75	11.21
Coconut (Each)	38.00	35.00	37.75	40.64
<b>Fish (Rs/Kg)*</b>				
Kelawalla	520.00	620.00	522.50	460.67
Balaya	490.00	490.00	437.50	331.82
Salaya	180.00	190.00	150.00	141.59
Paraw (Small)	700.00	630.00	598.75	514.77

## GOVERNMENT DEBT SECURITIES MARKET

### Weekly Summary of Primary and Secondary Market Transactions and Weighted Average Yield Rates

Item/Week ended	Week ending	Week ago	Year ago
ending	May 09 2012	May 02 2012	May 02 2011
<b>Outstanding Stock of Government Securities</b>	Rs. Mn.	Rs. Mn.	
<b>T-bills</b>			
Outstanding	808,239	817,469	817,469
o/w, amounts held by PDs	54,985	58,025	58,025
o/w, amounts held by Foreign Investors	99,593	98,823	98,823
<b>T-bonds</b>			
Outstanding	2,182,410	2,175,445	2,175,445
o/w, amounts held by PDs	24,355	24,634	24,634
o/w, amounts held by Foreign Investors	230,056	230,056	230,056
<b>Primary Issues</b>			
Amount offered	10,000	12,000	12,000
Total Bids received	49,812	27,104	27,104
Total bids accepted	11,943	12,487	12,487
<b>T-bonds</b>			
Amount offered	2,000	0	0
Total bids received	8,650	0	0
Total bids accepted	6,225	0	0
<b>Latest Primary Issues</b>			
<b>T-bills</b>			
= 91 days	12.19%	12.11%	12.11%
182 days	12.30%	12.20%	12.20%
364 days	12.49%	12.36%	12.36%
<b>T-bonds</b>			
2 year	Last Issue 0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
2 year	Last Issue 02.04.12	11.46%	11.46%
3 year	Last Issue 11.05.12	13.50%	11.60%
4 year	Last Issue 02.04.12	11.80%	11.80%
5 year	Last Issue 11.05.12	14.00%	12.10%
6 year	Last Issue 16.04.12	12.30%	12.30%
10 year	Last Issue 01.02.12	10.25%	10.25%
15 year	Last Issue 01.03.11	9.30%	9.30%
20 year	Last Issue 01.02.12	11.00%	11.00%
<b>Secondary Market Activities</b>			
<b>T-bills</b>			
<b>Outright transactions</b>			
Purchased	8,692	12,227	12,227
Sold	13,763	17,487	17,487
<b>Repo transactions</b>			
Repurchase	22,598	25,297	25,297
Reverse Repurchase	2,137	3,677	3,677
<b>T-bonds</b>			
<b>Outright transactions</b>			
Purchased	2,116	2,795	2,795
Sold	2,151	3,074	3,074
<b>Repo transactions</b>			
Repurchase	53,064	63,693	63,693
Reverse Repurchase	11,333	10,404	10,404
<b>Item/Week Ended</b>			
<b>Secondary Market</b>			
	Week ending May 09 2012	Week ending May 02 2012	Week ending May 02 2011
<b>Weighted Average Yield Rates Treasury Bills</b>			
Purchased			
= 91 days	12.30%	12.25%	12.25%
= 182 days	12.50%	12.25%	12.25%
= 364 days	12.60%	12.30%	12.30%
<b>Sold</b>			
= 91 days	12.10%	12.00%	12.00%
= 182 days	12.25%	12.05%	12.05%
= 364 days	12.40%	12.15%	12.15%
<b>Treasury Bonds</b>			
Purchased			
= 1 year	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
= 2 year	13.50%	12.70%	12.70%
= 3 year	14.00%	13.00%	13.00%
= 4 year	14.00%	13.10%	13.10%
= 5 year	14.30%	0.00%	0.00%
= 10 year	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
= 15 year	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
<b>Sold</b>			
= 1 year	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
= 2 year	13.00%	12.50%	12.50%
= 3 year	13.30%	12.70%	12.70%
= 4 year	13.50%	12.80%	12.80%
= 5 year	13.80%	0.00%	0.00%
= 10 year	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
= 15 year	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

	2011(a) Dec	2010 Dec	% Change
Central Government Employees (1978=100)(b)	4,964.5	4,651.6	6.7
<b>Workers in Wages Boards Trades (1978=100)</b>	<b>3,653.9</b>	<b>2,935.7</b>	<b>24.5</b>
<b>Agriculture</b>	<b>4,420.8</b>	<b>3,336.1</b>	<b>32.5</b>
<b>Industry &amp; Commerce</b>	<b>2,402.1</b>	<b>2,402.1</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Services</b>	<b>1,851.8</b>	<b>1,851.8</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>(a) Provisional</b>			
<b>(b) Non-executive officers and minor employees.</b>			

## BUYING AND SELLING PRICES OF TREASURY BONDS Quoted by primary dealers on 10/05/2012

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	98.80	12.07	98.84	11.88
08.84% 2013 A	2	05/10/13	94.91	12.90	95.07	12.77
09.22% 2013 A	2	21/11/13	94.99	12.93	95.16	12.80
06.60% 2014 A	2	01/02/14	90.12	13.16	90.57	12.84
09.00% 2014 A	2	01/10/14	92.21	12.86	92.73	12.60
06.75% 2013 A	3	01/09/13	93.04	12.66	93.30	12.43
08.50% 2015 A	3	01/11/15	86.81	13.37	87.64	13.03
13.50% 2012 B	4	01/07/12	100.18	11.66	100.23	11.35
13.50% 2013 A	4	01/02/13	100.65	12.46	100.84	12.18
11.50% 2013 A	4	15/06/13	98.73	12.75	99.00	12.47
07.00% 2014 A	4	01/03/14	90.51	13.04	90.96	12.73
06.60% 2014 B	4	01/06/14	88.53	13.13	89.04	12.82
06.20% 2015 A	4	15/01/15	84.84	13.08	85.34	12.83
06.20% 2015 B	4	15/06/15	82.15	13.43	82.92	13.08
08.00% 2016 B	4	01/06/16	81.87	14.00	83.35	13.45
11.25% 2014 A	5	15/07/14	96.83	12.94	97.44	12.61

## AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICE OF RICE MARANDAGAHAMULA

Item	Week ending 10.05.12	Week Ago	Month Ago	Rs/Kg Year Ago
Samba	55.50	57.30	55.46	61.83
Sudu Kekulu	42.50	39.30	41.60	50.58
Raw Red	44.20	45.02	45.38	51.92
Nadu	45.50	42.78	44.37	52.71

## MONEY MARKET ACTIVITY - VOLUMES (Rs. Mn)

(Rs. Mn)	Week ending 10 May 12	Week ago	Year ago
Inter-Bank Call Money turnover(a)	15,156	12,906	8,507
Central Bank Holdings (a)			
- Treasury Bills	214,604	239,502	1,369
(a) Daily average for week			

## CREDIT CARDS \*

	2012 End Feb**	2012 End Jan	2011 End Dec.
Total number of Active Cards	874,400	869,710	862,352
Local (accepted only locally)	61,148	61,202	61,320
Global (accepted globally)	813,252	808,508	801,032
Outstanding balance (Rs. Mn.)	38,179	37,752	37,637
Local (accepted only locally)	1,117	1,117	1,098
Global (accepted globally)	37,061	36,635	36,539

## SHARE MARKET

	Week ending 10 May 12	Week ago	Year ago
All Share Price Index (1985=100) (ASPI)	5,164	5,389	7,340
Milanka Price Index (31.12.1998 = 1000) (MPI)	4,644	4,824	6,741
Average Daily Turnover (Rs. Mn)	458	577	1,671
Market Capitalization (Rs. bn)	1,922.0	2,005.9	2,484.9

## COMMERCIAL PAPER ISSUES (1)

	2011* End Dec	2011 End Nov	2010 End Dec.
Total issues (Rs. bn.)	13.6	9.2	12.3
Outstanding (at the end of the period) (Rs. bn.)	7.7	5.6	4.3
* Provisional			

## MONEY SUPPLY

	2012(a) March	Month ago	Year ago
M1 (Rs. bn)	448.6	436.8	419.1
M2 (Rs. bn)	2,321.2	2,270.7	1,899.8
M2b (Rs. bn)	2,672.8	2,604.7	2,176.2
Net Foreign Assets of the Banking System (Rs. bn) (b)	19.5	43.1	334.2
Net Domestic Assets of the Banking System (Rs. bn) (b)	2,653.3	2,561.6	1,842.0
Net Credit to Government (Rs. bn)	996.5	970.0	659.2
Credit to Corporations (Rs. bn)	247.1	218.3	127.2
Credit to the Private Sector (Rs. bn)	2,161.1	2,105.7	1,598.9
Reserve Money (Rs. bn)	471.1	439.4	382.1
<b>Annual Change(%)</b>			
M1	7.0	5.2	15.5
M2	22.2	21.9	18.7
M2b	22.8	21.9	17.5
Net Foreign Assets of the Banking System (b)	-94.2	-87.1	-7.8
Net Domestic Assets of the Banking System (b)	44.0	42.2	23.7
Net Credit to Government	51.2	50.2	0.4
Credit to Corporations	94.2	62.2	31.2
Credit to the Private Sector	35.2	34.4	29.6
Reserve Money	23.3	20.0	16.2

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## NOMINAL WAGES

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