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EXCHANGE RATES (Rs. per unit)

(Rs. per unit)	Week ending July 6	Week ago	Year ago
Commercial Bank Avg. Middle Rate (prevailing at 9.30 a.m.)			
US$	133.63	133.70	109.50
STG	207.45	208.65	176.07
Yen	1.67	1.69	1.35
Euro	165.39	168.40	158.32
INR (1)	2.43	2.35	2.47
SDR (As at 05 July, 2012)	202.35	202.36	175.25

Central Bank purchases and sales of foreign exchange from commercial banks at market rates (US$ Mn.) - total for Month	Apr 2012	Month ago	Year ago
Purchases	0.00	124.59	0.00
Sales	153.70	177.95	127.55

	Week ending	Week ago	Year ago
Average Daily Interbank Volume (US$ Mn.) (spot, tom and cash transactions among commercial banks)	37.32	57.38	72.76
Forward Transactions			
Forward Rates (US$)			
1 Month	134.92	134.20	109.86
3 Months	136.81	136.69	110.29
Average Daily Interbank Forward Volume (US$ mn)	15.21	30.94	24.99
Outstanding Forward Volume (US$ mn) (As at 05 July, 2012)	1,065.47	1,191.02	1,391.36

In nominal terms the Rupee depreciated against US$, STG, Yen, Euro and SDR while it depreciated against the INR.
(1) Central Bank indicative rate
(2) Weekly average based on actual transactions

INTEREST RATES (%)

	Week ending July 06	Week ago	Year ago
Commercial Bank Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR)	13.68	13.39	9.41
Treasury Bill Yield (Excluding 10% withholding tax)			
- 91 days	11.20	11.12	7.12
– 182 days	12.77	12.61	7.23
- 364 days	12.99	12.88	7.35
Central Bank Overnight Repurchase Rate (Repo)	7.75	7.75	7.00
Central Bank Overnight Reverse Repurchase Rate	9.75	9.75	8.50
Call Money Weekly Average (CMR)	10.44	10.44	8.03
Sri Lanka Inter Bank Offer Rate (SLIBOR)			
1 day	10.44	10.41	8.02
7 days	11.02	10.98	8.07
1 Month	11.56	11.48	8.11
3 Months	12.23	12.16	8.23
6 Months	13.31	13.20	8.34
12 Months	13.96	13.83	8.47
	Apr 2012	Month ago	Year ago
Saving Deposits – Commercial Banks	0.75-9.00	0.75-9.00	1.50-8.50
One Year Fixed Deposits – Commercial Banks	5.74-14.50	5.74-14.25	5.05-10.65
	Jun 2012	Month ago	Year ago
Commercial Bank Average Weighted Deposit Rate (AWDR)	8.38	8.28	6.31
Commercial Bank Average Weighted Fixed Deposit Rate (AWFDR)	10.78	10.38	8.22
	May 2012	Month ago	Year ago
Commercial Bank Average Weighted Lending Rate (AWLR)	14.59	14.36	13.71
	June 2012	Month ago	Year ago
Saving Deposits – NSB	5.00	5.00	5.00
One Year Fixed Deposits – NSB	12.00	11.50	8.50
	(05 yrs)	(07 Y & 11 Mths)	(09 Y & 06 Mths)
Treasury Bonds Auction	28.06.12	28.06.12	28.06.12
Coupon rate	8.00	8.00	8.00
Weighted Average Yield (Excluding 10% withholding tax)	14.15	14.40	14.75

Call money rates remained between 10.00 to 10.75 percent during the week.
* AWPR – Average for the month of June 2012 – 13.60

Bankwise-AWPR	Week ending 06.07.12	Week Ago
Bank of Ceylon	14.04	14.01
People's Bank	14.95	16.00
Hatton National Bank	14.53	14.61
Commercial Bank Of Ceylon	14.13	14.62
Sampath Bank	14.58	14.01
Seylan Bank	15.62	15.29
Union Bank of Colombo	15.35	14.80
Pan Asia Banking Corporation	11.75	11.75
Nations Trust Bank	14.45	14.54
DFCC Vardhana Bank	15.99	15.25
NDB Bank	16.32	16.11
Amana Bank	-	-
HSBC	12.79	12.35
Standard Chartered Bank	12.28	13.08
Citi Bank	11.58	11.23
Deutsche Bank	11.75	11.93
Habib Bank	14.18	14.12
Indian Bank	15.10	14.76
Indian Overseas Bank	14.00	14.00
MCB Bank	13.56	12.57
State Bank of India	15.45	14.89
Public Bank	12.79	12.79
ICICI Bank	14.00	14.40
Axis Bank	-	-

MONEY SUPPLY

	2012(a) May	Month ago	Year ago
M1 (Rs. bn)	**434.9**	**444.2**	**423.2**
M2 (Rs. bn)	2,351.4	2,353.5	1,957.1
M2b (Rs. bn)	2,707.2	2,719.2	2,239.0
Net Foreign Assets of the Banking System (Rs. bn) (b)	-28.0	20.5	308.9
Net Domestic Assets of the Banking System (Rs. bn)(b)	2,735.1	2,698.7	1,930.2
Net Credit to Government (Rs. bn)	1,024.8	1,028.5	708.2
Credit to Corporations (Rs. bn)	266.9	257.2	128.5
Credit to the Private Sector (Rs. bn)	2,215.9	2,179.8	1,659.7
Reserve Money (Rs. bn)	449.5	449.3	400.0
Annual Change (%)			
M1	2.8	4.9	19.4
M2	20.1	21.6	20.6
M2b	20.9	22.9	19.4
Net Foreign Assets of the Banking System (b)	-109.1	-93.9	-10.6
Net Domestic Assets of the Banking System (b)	41.7	43.7	26.2
Net Credit to Government	44.7	47.4	4.9
Credit to Corporations	107.7	105.8	25.0
Credit to the Private Sector	33.5	34.0	32.9
Reserve Money	12.4	10.8	21.0

(a) Provisional
(b) In relation to M2b

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

	2012* Mar	2011 Mar	% Change
Industrial Production Index (IPI)(a) (2010 = 100)	119.2	118.8	0.3
	Jan-Dec 2011	Jan-Dec 2010	
Public Sector Major Industrial Output Index (1997 = 100)	85.5	70.7	21.0

* Provisional
(a) IPI based on ISIC Revision 4 Classification

BUYING AND SELLING PRICES OF TREASURY BONDS Quoted by primary dealers on 05/07/2012

Bond Series	Maturity Period (Years)	Maturity D/M/Y	Average Buying Price*	Yield**	Average Selling Price*	Yield**
06.90% 2012A	2	01/08/12	99.65	11.28	99.67	11.10
08.84% 2013A	2	05/10/13	95.57	12.75	95.82	12.53
09.22% 2013A	2	21/11/13	95.46	12.90	95.82	12.60
06.60% 2014A	2	01/02/14	91.60	13.10	91.26	12.90
09.00% 2014A	2	01/10/14	91.95	13.25	92.13	13.15
06.75% 2013A	3	01/09/13	93.34	13.12	93.51	12.94
08.50% 2015A	3	01/11/15	86.21	13.80	86.51	13.68
13.50% 2012B	4	01/02/13	100.51	12.51	100.60	12.34
11.50% 2013A	4	15/06/13	99.03	12.60	99.16	12.45
07.00% 2014A	4	01/03/14	90.79	13.36	91.01	13.20
06.60% 2014B	4	01/06/14	88.94	13.35	89.17	13.20
06.20% 2015A	4	15/01/15	84.82	13.48	85.01	13.38
06.20% 2015B	4	15/06/15	82.30	13.70	82.82	13.45
08.00% 2016B	4	01/06/16	82.64	13.90	83.17	13.70
11.25% 2014A	5	15/07/14	96.24	13.43	96.51	13.26
06.50% 2015A	5	15/07/15	82.25	13.88	82.48	13.77

MARANDAGAHAMULA AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICE OF RICE

Item	Week ending 06.07.12	Week ago Avg	Month ago	Rs/Kg Year ago
Samba	63.63	57.56	58.40	61.83
Sudu Kekulu	47.50	43.40	43.25	50.58
Raw Red	43.85	41.38	42.03	51.92
Nadu	48.75	46.48	46.26	52.71

MONEY MARKET ACTIVITY - VOLUMES (Rs. Mn)

	Week ending 05 July'12	Week ago	Year ago
Inter-bank Call Money Turnover (a)	11,787	8,503	15,204
Central Bank Holdings(a) Treasury Bills	212,435	221,746	1,252

(a) Daily average for week

CREDIT CARDS *

	2012 End Apr**	2012 End March	2011 End Dec
Total number of Active Cards	887,741	881,172	862,352
Local (accepted only locally)	61,050	61,103	61,320
Global (accepted globally)	826,691	820,069	801,032
Outstanding balance (Rs mn)	40,068	38,531	37,637
Local (accepted only locally)	1,114	1,099	1,098
Global (accepted globally)	38,954	37,432	36,539

* Issued by Licensed Commercial Banks
(a) Provisional (b) Revised

TOURISM

		2012 * Jan-May	2011 Jan-May	% change
Tourist arrivals		387,622	327,902	18.2
Earnings from tourism	US$ mn	399.3	318.1	25.5
	Rs mn	49,144.6	35,148.7	39.8

* Provincial

GOVERNMENT DEBT SECURITIES MARKET

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

Item/Week Ended		Week ending July 04 2012	Week ending June 27, 2012
Outstanding Stock of		**Rs. Mn**	**Rs. Mn**
Government Securities			
T-bills	Outstanding	770,763	774,120
	o/w, amounts held by PDs	60,951	60,897
	o/w, amounts held by Foreign Investors	88,596	88,361
T-bonds	Outstanding	2,292,143	2,276,443
	o/w, amounts held by PDs	27,172	27,397
Primary Issues	o/w, amounts held by Foreign Investors	236,676	235,871
T-bills	Amount Offered	15,000	15,000
	Total Bids Received	33,738	29,983
	Total Bids Accepted	14,496	11,799
T-bonds	Amount Offered	15,000	0
	Total Bids Received	33,030	0
	Total Bids Accepted	15,000	0
Latest Primary Issues			
T-bills	<= 91 days	11.20%	11.12%
	<182 days	12.77%	12.61%
	<364 days	12.99%	12.88%
T-bonds			
<2 year	Last Issue	0.00%	0.00%
2 year	Last Issue (02.04.12)	11.46%	11.46%
3 year	Last Issue (11.05.12)	13.50%	13.50%
4 year	Last Issue (02.04.12)	11.80%	11.80%
5 year	Last Issue (12.07.12)	14.15%	14.00%
6 year	Last Issue (16.04.12)	12.30%	12.30%
10 year	Last Issue (02.07.12)	14.75%	10.25%
15 year	Last Issue (01.03.11)	9.30%	9.30%
20 year	Last Issue (01.02.12)	11.00%	11.00%
Secondary Market Activities			
T-bills			
Outright Transactions	Purchased	3,409	4,315
	Sold	10,819	10,740
Repo Transactions	Repurchase	22,025	29,775
	Reverse Repurchase	2,231	2,898
T-bonds			
Outright Transactions	Purchased	15,581	2,570
	Sold	16,558	2,275
Repo Transactions	Repurchase	75,056	69,576
	Reverse Repurchase	6,032	6,453

Item/Week Ended		Week Ending July 04, 2012 After tax	Week Ending June 27, 2012 After tax
Secondary Market Weighted Average Yield Rates			
Treasury Bills			
Purchased	<= 91 days	11.15%	11.08%
	<= 182 days	12.67%	12.55%
	<= 364 days	12.95%	12.84%
Sold	<= 91 days	11.10%	11.02%
	<= 182 days	12.60%	12.45%
	<= 364 days	12.88%	12.78%
Treasury Bonds			
Purchased	<= 1 year	0.00%	0.00%
	<= 2 year	13.40%	13.25%
	<= 3 year	13.90%	13.80%
	<= 4 year	14.10%	14.05%
	<= 5 year	14.20%	14.18%
	<= 10 year	0.00%	0.00%
	<= 15 year	0.00%	0.00%
	> 15 year	0.00%	0.00%
Sold	<= 1 year	0.00%	0.00%
	<= 2 year	13.25%	13.15%
	<= 3 year	13.83%	13.70%
	<= 4 year	14.05%	14.00%
	<= 5 year	14.15%	14.12%
	<= 10 year	0.00%	0.00%
	<= 15 year	0.00%	0.00%
	> 15 year	0.00%	0.00%

Source: Primary Auctions and Primary Dealer Weekly Reporting System

OPEN MARKET OPERATIONS

	02.07. 2012	04.06. 2012	05.06. 2012	06.06. 2012
Repo Auction				
Amount Offered (Rs bn)	15.00	26.00	21.00	11.00
Bids received (Rs bn)	3.79	23.34	11.12	8.40
Amount accepted (Rs bn)	3.79	23.34	11.12	8.35
Weighted Average Yield (% p.a.)	9.23	9.27	9.31	9.31
Standing Facilities (Volumes)				
Repo (Rs bn)	5.47	3.32	10.75	3.26
Reverse Repo (Rs bn)	-	-	-	-

AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES PETTAH MARKET

	Week Ending 05.07.12	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago Annual Avg
Rice (Rs/Kg)				
Samba	67.50	64.00	62.13	63.26
Kekulu (Red)	46.00	46.00	45.50	51.52
Beans	120.00	130.00	127.50	124.23
Cabbage	60.00	60.00	56.25	60.04
Carrots	120.00	100.00	112.50	105.29
Tomatoes	130.00	120.00	110.00	84.35
Pumpkins	60.00	85.00	66.25	36.81
Snakegourd	80.00	50.00	70.00	49.48
Brinjals	60.00	60.00	51.25	55.93
Ash-Plantains	40.00	40.00	37.50	54.33
Red-Onions (Local)	75.00	115.00	115.00	113.60
Big-Onions (Local)	n.a	n.a	n.a	63.53
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	116.50	n.a	109.75	96.28
Dried Chillies (Imported)	180.00	185.00	181.50	239.13
Dhal (Indian)	122.00	122.00	122.00	113.15
Eggs (Red) (Each)	9.30	11.30	12.46	10.75
Coconut (Each)	25.00	26.50	26.25	34.10
Fish (Rs/Kg)*				
Kelawalla	460.00	450.00	460.00	351.20
Balaya	320.00	350.00	355.00	244.52
Salaya	140.00	150.00	162.50	112.37
Paraw (Small)	480.00	470.00	505.00	426.60

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES PETTAH MARKET

	Week ending 05.07.12	Week ago	Month ago	Year ago Annual avg
Rice (Rs/Kg)				
Samba	68.00	68.00	67.25	68.84
Kekulu (Red)	55.00	55.00	55.00	58.41
Beans	140.00	150.00	150.00	147.49
Cabbage	80.00	80.00	80.00	91.57
Carrots	140.00	120.00	135.00	131.18
Tomatoes	160.00	140.00	135.00	114.71
Pumpkins	80.00	40.00	87.50	58.24
Snakegourd	100.00	80.00	105.00	73.40
Brinjals	90.00	80.00	77.50	81.57
Ash-Plantains	60.00	60.00	57.50	76.57
Red-Onions (Local)	110.00	130.00	137.50	157.83
Big-Onions (Local)	n.a	n.a	n.a	78.89
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	130.00	130.00	127.50	115.31
Dried Chillies (Imported)	210.00	220.00	202.50	270.58
Dhal (Indian)	140.00	140.00	140.00	134.94
Eggs (Red) (Each)	9.50	11.50	12.75	11.21
Coconut (Each)	30.00	30.00	30.25	40.64
Fish (Rs/Kg)*				
Kelawalla	570.00	450.00	517.50	460.67
Balaya	410.00	350.00	435.00	331.82
Salaya	180.00	190.00	210.00	141.59
Paraw (Small)	580.00	750.00	665.00	514.77

* Prices collected from the Fisheries Trade Centre, Peliyagoda.

DAUMBULLA MARKET

Week Ending – 05 July, 2012 (Rs/Kg)

Food Item	Wholesale (Average)	Retail (Average)
Rice		
Samba	65.00	69.63
Kekulu (Red)	45.75	50.38
Vegetables		
Pumpkins	66.25	90.63
Snakegourd	44.38	73.13
Ash-Plantains	23.75	53.13
Beans	100.00	165.00
Carrots	90.13	139.38
Tomatoes	112.50	157.50
Other Foods		
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	106.25	126.25
Dried Chillies (Imported)	189.38	215.00
Big-Onions (Local)	n.a	n.a
Red-Onions (Local)	72.50	95.00
Coconut (Each)	20.75	28.63

PRICE INDICES

	June 2012	Month ago	Year ago
Colombo Consumers' Price Index (CCPI) (2006/07 = 100)	165.2	162.1	151.2
Annual Average Change %	5.8	5.6	6.7
Year-on-Year Change %	9.3	7.0	7.1
Core Inflation - (CCPI) (2006/07 = 100)	159.9	157.7	151.1
Annual Average Change %	5.7	6.0	7.1
Year-on-Year Change %	5.8	4.8	8.7
	Mar 2012*	Month ago	Year ago
Wholesale Price Index (WPI) (1974 = 100)	4,323.3	4,162.2	4,563.0
Annual Average Change %	2.8	5.1	13.0

*Provisional

SHARE MARKET

	Week ending 05 July'12	Week ago	Year ago
All Share Price Index (1985 = 100) (ASPI)	4,925	4,956	6,863
Milanka Price Index (31.12.1998 = 1000) (MPI)	4,358	4,386	6,450
Average Daily Turnover (Rs mn)	255	2,409	1,904
Market Capitalization (Rs bn)	1,881.7	1,890.5	2,371.4

Both the All Share Price Index and Milanka Price Index have decreased by 31 and 28 index points respectively. The Average Daily Turnover has decreased by Rs 2,154 mn.

EXTERNAL FINANCE

		2012(a) End April	2011 End Dec	% Change
External Assets				
Total Reserves (b) (c)	US $ Mn	7,258.0	7,199.0	0.8
	Rs Mn	949,130.1	819,978.0	15.8
Gross Official Reserves (b)(c)	US$ Mn	5,834.7	5,957.6	-2.1
	Rs Mn	763,003.7	678,583.9	12.4
		2012(a) April	2011 April	% Change
Worker's Remittances Inflows	US$ Mn	475.2	414.8	14.5
	Rs Mn	61,133.2	45,752.3	33.6
Outflows	US$ Mn	3.8	41.0	-90.6
	Rs Mn	490.0	4,519.2	-89.2
Net	US$ Mn	471.4	373.9	26.1
	Rs Mn	60,643.2	41,233.1	47.1

(a) Provisional
(b) Excluding ACU Receipts
(c) By end April 2012, the total level of foreign reserves were equivalent to 4.15 months of imports and the gross official reserves were equivalent to 3.34 months of imports.

INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY PRICES

Colombo Auction Price		2012 April	2011 April	% change
Tea prices	Rs/kg	409.89	371.83	10.2
	US$/kg	3.19	3.37	-5.5
Imports (CIF)				
Rice	Rs/mt	92,101	92,474	-0.4
	US$/mt	716	838	-14.6
White sugar	Rs/mt	81,543	42,528	91.7
	US$/mt	634	386	64.4
Crude oil	Rs/barrel	15,595	13,174	18.4
	US$/barrel	121	119	1.5
Wheat	Rs/mt	39,422	39,665	-0.6
	US$/mt	306	360	-14.8

GOVERNMENT DEBT

	2012* End Mar	Month ago	Year ago
Total domestic debt (Rs bn)	3,055.8	3,008.1	2,674.7
of which			
Treasury bills	658.9	628.9	582.2
Treasury bonds	1,942.1	1,921.3	1,670.2
Rupee loans	62.0	62.0	85.8
Total foreign debt (Rs bn)	2,649.0	2,526.1	2,054.8
Total outstanding govt debt (Rs bn)	5,704.9	5,534.1	4,729.6

* Provisional
Total outstanding government debt increased by 11.1 percent compared to end December 2011.

GOVERNMENT FINANCE

	2012* Jan-Mar	2011 Jan-Mar
Revenue and Grants (Rs bn)	228.5	217.1
Revenue (Rs. bn)	228.0	215.9
Tax	203.0	184.0
Non tax	25.0	31.9
Grants	0.5	1.2
Expenditure & Lending Minus Repayments (Rs bn)	439.1	344.6
Current	334.8	269.5
Capital & Lending Minus Repayments	104.4	75.1

(*) Provisional

Total revenue and grants increased by 5.3 percent compared to the period of Jan-Mar 2011

TRADE INDICES** (1997 = 100)

	2012** February	Month ago	Year ago
Total exports			
Value	122.3	127.9	113.7
Quantity	112.0	106.0	106.4
Unit value	109.2	120.7	106.9
Total imports			
Value	141.5	171.4	110.6
Quantity	123.2	134.2	98.2
Unit value	112.6	127.7	114.8
Terms of Trade	94.9	94.5	95.1

* In US$ terms
** Provisional

WAGE RATE INDICES

	2012 (a) March	2011 March	% Change
Central Government Employees			
(1978 = 100) (b)	5,304.7	4,964.5	6.9
Workers in Wages Boards Trades (1978 = 100)	3,662.4	2,936.1	24.7
Agriculture	4,433.6	3,336.9	32.9
Industry & Commerce	2,402.1	2,402.1	0.0
Services	1,851.8	1,851.8	0.0

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

COMMERCIAL PAPER ISSUES (1)

	2012* End Jan**	2011 End Dec *	2010 End Dec
Total issues (Rs bn)	1.0	13.5	12.3
Outstanding (at the end of the period) (Rs bn)	7.9	8.1	4.3

* Provisional ** Revised
(1) Based on the information provided by licensed Commercial Banks and Licensed specialised banks.

EXTERNAL TRADE

		2012 Jan-April	2011 Jan-April	% Change
Exports	Rs mn	402,950	378,297	6.5
Agricultural		87,831	90,262	-2.7
Industrial		301,347	286,397	5.2
Mineral		3,018	1,315	129.6
Other		10,753	324	3220.6
Imports	Rs mn	807,580	655,722	23.2
Consumer goods		136,431	130,477	4.6
Intermediate goods		468,457	392,894	19.2
Investment goods		201,270	130,489	54.2
Other		1,423	1,863	-23.6
Trade Balance	Rs mn	-404,630	-277,426	-45.9
Exports	US$ mn	3,314	3,419	-3.1
Agricultural		720	816	-11.8
Industrial		2,478	2,589	-4.3
Mineral		24	12	102.9
Other		92	3	3060.2
Imports	US$ mn	6,634	5,928	11.9
Consumer goods		1,115	1,180	-5.5
Intermediate goods		3,849	3,552	8.4
Investment goods		1,657	1,180	40.5
Other		12	17	-27.9
Trade Balance	US$ mn	-3,320	-2,509	-32.3

INDUSTRIAL EXPORTS

		2012 Jan-April	2011 Jan-April	% Change
Total Industrial Exports	Rs mn	301,347	286,397	5.2
Food, beverages and tobacco		10,961	11,634	-5.8
Textiles and apparel		160,979	150,637	6.9
Petroleum products		19,965	22,356	-10.7
Leather, rubber etc		37,374	30,704	21.7
Other		72,069	71,065	1.4
Total Industrial Exports	US$ mn	2,478	2,589	-4.3
Food, beverages and tobacco		90	105	-14.8
Textiles and apparel		1,323	1,362	-2.8
Petroleum products		164	202	-19.0
Leather, rubber etc		307	278	10.6
Other		594	642	-7.4

EMPLOYMENT

	2011(a)(b) 3rd Quarter	2010(a) 3rd Quarter	2011(a)(b) Annual
Labour Force Participation rate	48.3	47.4	48.2
Unemployment rate	3.9	4.9	4.2
Employed persons by Sectors %			
Agriculture	32.8	31.3	32.9
Industry	24.1	24.4	24.3
Services and Other	43.1	44.3	42.8

(a) Data exclude Northern Province
(b) Quarterly Labour Force Survey for the 4th Quarter of 2011 was not conducted by the DCS.

WEEKLY CHANGE IN RESERVE MONEY

	05 July 2012	Week Ago	Change
Reserve Money (Rs. mn).	460,900	453,530	7370

GDP by Industrial Origin at Constant (2002) Prices

Growth Rate	2012* 1st Quarter	2011 1st Quarter	2011 Annual
Agriculture	11.5	-4.3	1.5
Industry	10.8	11.1	10.3
Services	5.8	9.5	8.6
GDP	7.9	8.0	8.3

*Provisional
Source: Department of Census and Statistics

NARAHENPITA ECONOMIC CENTRE (Rs/Kg)

Retail Prices

Item	Average 05.07.12	Week Ago
Rice		
Samba	78.00	66.67
Kekulu (Red)	58.00	52.00
Beans	120.00	150.00
Cabbage	103.33	80.00
Carrots	136.67	130.00
Tomatoes	133.33	130.00
Pumpkins	100.00	90.00
Snakegourd	115.00	100.00
Brinjals	80.00	106.67
Ash-Plantains	90.00	80.00
Red-Onions (Imported)	n.a	n.a
Big-Onions (Imported)	80.00	90.00
Potatoes (Imported)	80.00	100.00
Dried Chillies (Imported)	220.00	220.00
Dhal (Indian)	140.00	140.00
Eggs (Red) (Each)	10.50	12.50
Coconut (Each)	34.00	35.00
Fish		
Kelawalla	780.00	820.00
Balaya	420.00	400.00
Salaya	230.00	260.00
Paraw (Small)	950.00	900.00

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION

	2012* Jan-Apr	2011 Jan-Apr	% Change
Tea (Mn Kg)	104.1	107.3	-2.9
Rubber (Mn Kg)	55.1	57.2	-3.7
	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	
Coconuts (mn nuts)	718.8	602.5	19.3

* Provisional

AVERAGE CRUDE OIL PRICES

Month	2011 Spot prices Brent (New York closing price) (US $/bbl)	2011 WTI (European Market) (US $/bbl)	2011 CPC Import Prices (C&F) (US $/bbl)(*)	2012 Spot prices Brent (New York closing price) (US $/bbl)	2012 WTI (European Market) (US $/bbl)	2012 CPC Import Prices (C&F) (US$/bbl)(*)
January	97.33	89.26	95.33	111.34	98.46	115.62
February	103.71	88.66	103.18	120.05	102.36	119.86
March	115.39	102.86	111.31	126.67	106.16	119.86
April	124.41	109.53	119.45	120.77	103.32	121.21
May	116.85	101.54	111.50	110.93	94.49	110.73
June	114.72	96.50	111.21	95.60	82.30	
July	117.35	97.19	112.85			
August	111.14	86.33	107.74			
September	114.92	85.42	108.43			
October	110.72	86.31	107.19			
November	111.13	86.89	113.00			
December	108.93	98.57	110.57			
29 June	112.19	94.85		94.22	85.04	
02 July	-	-		96.80	83.72	
03 July	-	-		100.14	87.74	
04 July	111.90	94.99		99.94	87.06	
05 July	113.76	96.92		101.90	87.11	

Sources: Reuters, Energy Information Administration (web site), Ceylon Petroleum Corporation. (*) CPC import prices are not directly comparable with spot prices of WTI and Brent due to: CPC prices include freight charges, CPC price is weighted average price of different type of crude oil, part of imports of CPC are on term contract basis.

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