ECONOMIC INDICATORS

10 - 08 - 2012

EXCHANGE RATES (Rs. per unit)

EXCHANGE RATES (Rs. per unit)	Week ending Aug 10	Week ago	Year ago
Commercial Bank Avg. Middle Rate (prevailing at 9.30 a.m.)			
US$	131.93	131.83	109.79
STG	206.12	204.60	178.78
Yen	1.68	1.69	1.43
Euro	162.11	160.47	157.53
INR (1)	2.39	2.36	2.44
SDR (As at 09 August, 2012)	199.00	198.56	175.72
Central Bank purchases and sales of foreign exchange from commercial banks at market rates (US$ Mn.) - total for Month	May 2012	Month ago	Year ago
Purchases	19.00	0.00	0.00
Sales	62.73	153.70	130.15
	Week ending	Week ago	Year ago
Average Daily Interbank Volume (US$ Mn.) (spot, tom and cash transactions among commercial banks)	43.04	46.42	74.75
Forward Transactions			
Forward Rates (US$)2			
1 Month	133.12	133.00	109.89
3 Months	135.07	134.50	110.27
Average Daily Interbank Forward Volume (US$ mn)	13.43	18.28	27.43
Outstanding Forward Volume (US$ mn) (As at 09 August, 2012)	1,072.47	1,080.29	1,284.34

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

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

INTEREST RATES (%)

	Week ending Aug 10	Week ago	Year ago
Commercial Bank Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR)	13.63	13.77	9.58
Treasury Bill Yield (Excluding 10% withholding tax)			
- 91 days	11.37	11.35	7.11
– 182 days	12.91	12.87	7.19
- 364 days	13.18	13.15	7.25
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)	10.49	10.47	7.95
Sri Lanka Inter Bank Offer Rate (SLIBOR)			
1 day	10.51	10.51	8.01
7 days	11.22	11.18	8.07
1 Month	11.99	11.91	8.13
3 Months	12.60	12.50	8.22
6 Months	13.66	13.52	8.33
12 Months	14.33	14.06	8.46
	June 2012	**Month ago**	**Year ago**
Saving Deposits – Commercial Banks	0.75-10.50	0.75-9.00	1.50-8.50
One Year Fixed Deposits – Commercial Banks	4.50-15.10	5.74-15.00	5.05-10.65
	July 2012	**Month ago**	**Year ago**
Commercial Bank Average Weighted Deposit Rate (AWDR)	8.70	8.38	6.35
Commercial Bank Average Weighted Fixed Deposit Rate (AWFDR)	11.27	10.78	8.16
	June 2012	Month ago	Year ago
Commercial Bank Average Weighted Lending Rate (AWLR)	14.88	14.59	13.72
	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 & 02 Mths)	**(04 Y & 02 Mths)**	**(06 Y & 03 Mths)**
Treasury Bonds Auction	26.07.12	26.07.12	26.07.12
Coupon rate	9.00	6.40	8.00
Weighted Average Yield (Excluding 10% withholding tax)	13.62	14.10	14.25

Call money rates remained between 10.40 to 10.55 percent during the week.
* AWPR – Average for the month of July 2012 – 13.75

Bankwise-AWPR	Week ending 10.08.12	Week Ago
Bank of Ceylon	14.66	14.30
People's Bank	15.50	15.50
Hatton National Bank	14.37	14.03
Commercial Bank Of Ceylon	15.04	14.37
Sampath Bank	14.82	15.13
Seylan Bank	15.79	15.24
Union Bank of Colombo	16.97	15.76
Pan Asia Banking Corporation	17.50	17.50
Nations Trust Bank	14.85	14.72
DFCC Vardhana Bank	15.24	16.08
NDB Bank	15.93	15.87
Amana Bank	-	-
HSBC	12.60	12.64
Standard Chartered Bank	13.54	13.54
Citi Bank	11.87	11.56
Deutsche Bank	12.11	11.76
Habib Bank	14.48	14.48
Indian Bank	15.25	15.10
Indian Overseas Bank	14.00	14.00
MCB Bank	13.54	14.03
State Bank of India	15.45	15.45
Public Bank	13.00	12.79
ICICI Bank	12.61	12.61
Axis Bank	-	-

MONEY SUPPLY

	2012(a) June	Month ago	Year ago
M1 (Rs. bn)	432.8	434.9	421.0
M2 (Rs. bn)	2,381.3	2,351.4	1,992.5
M2b (Rs. bn)	2,737.1	2,707.2	2,270.9
Net Foreign Assets of the Banking System (Rs. bn) (b)	-68.8	-27.8	271.3
Net Domestic Assets of the Banking System (Rs. bn)(b)	2,805.9	2,734.9	1,999.6
Net Credit to Government (Rs. bn)	1,010.3	1,024.8	734.8
Credit to Corporations (Rs. bn)	275.6	266.9	155.0
Credit to the Private Sector (Rs. bn)	2,234.9	2,215.9	1,697.9
Reserve Money (Rs. bn)	457.5	449.5	397.2
Annual Change (%)			
M1	2.8	2.8	20.8
M2	19.5	20.1	21.6
M2b	20.5	20.9	20.7
Net Foreign Assets of the Banking System (b)	-125.3	-109.0	-20.7
Net Domestic Assets of the Banking System (b)	40.3	41.7	29.9
Net Credit to Government	37.5	44.7	7.4
Credit to Corporations	77.8	107.7	38.8
Credit to the Private Sector	31.6	33.5	34.3
Reserve Money	15.2	12.4	23.0

(a) Provincial
(b) In relation to M2b

INDUSTRIAL EXPORTS

		2012 Jan-May	2011 Jan-May	% Change
Total Industrial Exports	Rs mn	370,376	356,272	4.0
Food, beverages and tobacco		13,590	15,204	-10.6
Textiles and apparel		196,970	185,968	5.9
Petroleum products		24,053	28,230	-14.8
Leather, rubber etc		46,193	39,910	15.7
Other		89,569	86,960	3.0
Total Industrial Exports	US$ mn	3,011	3,225	-6.6
Food, beverages and tobacco		110	138	-20.2
Textiles and apparel		1,601	1,683	-4.9
Petroleum products		196	256	-23.6
Leather, rubber etc		375	361	3.8
Other		730	787	-7.3

BUYING AND SELLING PRICES OF TREASURY BONDS
Quoted by primary dealers on 09/08/2012

Bond Series	Maturity Period (Years)	Maturity D/M/Y	Average Buying Price*	Yield**	Average Selling Price*	Yield**
08.84% 2013A	2	05/10/13	95.52	13.11	95.65	12.99
09.22% 2013A	2	21/11/13	95.38	13.23	95.52	13.10
06.60% 2014A	2	01/02/14	91.00	13.51	91.25	13.31
09.00% 2014A	2	01/10/14	91.37	13.77	91.49	13.69
06.75% 2013A	3	01/09/13	93.78	13.21	93.90	13.07
08.50% 2015A	3	01/11/15	86.29	13.90	86.52	13.80
13.50% 2013A	4	01/02/13	100.29	12.83	100.37	12.64
11.50% 2013A	4	15/06/13	98.86	12.91	98.99	12.75
07.00% 2014A	4	01/03/14	90.92	13.64	91.05	13.54
06.60% 2014B	4	01/06/14	88.93	13.69	89.09	13.58
06.20% 2015A	4	15/01/15	84.84	13.74	84.97	13.67
06.20% 2015B	4	15/06/15	82.54	13.81	82.77	13.69
08.00% 2016B	4	01/06/16	82.72	13.99	82.96	13.90
11.25% 2014A	5	15/07/14	95.87	13.74	96.02	13.65
06.50% 2015A	5	15/07/15	82.78	13.84	82.95	13.75
08.00% 2016A	5	01/09/16	81.36	14.19	81.53	14.13

MARANDAGAHAMULA AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICE OF RICE

Item	Week ending 10.08.12	Week ago Avg	Month ago	Rs/Kg Year ago
Samba	60.63	60.50	62.98	61.83
Sudu Kekulu	48.00	50.43	50.37	50.58
Raw Red	42.50	43.00	44.25	51.92
Nadu	49.43	49.50	50.46	52.71

MONEY MARKET ACTIVITY - VOLUMES (Rs. Mn)

	Week ending 09 Aug'12	Week ago	Year ago
Inter-bank Call Money Turnover (a)	10,359	11,333	10,833
Central Bank Holdings(a) Treasury Bills	194,195	180,187	1,492

(a) Daily average for week

CREDIT CARDS *

	2012(a) End June	2012 End May	2011 End Dec
Total number of Active Cards	910,122	897,752	862,352
Local (accepted only locally)	60,963	61,035	61,320
Global (accepted globally)	849,159	836,717	801,032
Outstanding balance (Rs mn)	40,241	40,026	37,637
Local (accepted only locally)	867	844	1,098
Global (accepted only globally)	39,374	39,182	36,539

* Issued by Licensed Commercial Banks
(a) Provisional

TOURISM

		2012 * Jan-Jun	2011 Jan-Jun	% change
Tourist arrivals		452,867	381,538	18.7
Earnings from tourism	US$ mn	459.9	370.1	24.3
	Rs mn	57,162.2	40,850.5	39.9

* Provincial

GOVERNMENT DEBT SECURITIES MARKET

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

Item/Week Ended		Week ending Aug 08 2012 Rs. Mn	Week ending August 01 2012 Rs. Mn
Outstanding Stock of Government Securities			
T-bills	Outstanding	729,529	732,639
	o/w, amounts held by PDs	58,858	66,965
	o/w, amounts held by Foreign Investors	76,383	81,145
T-bonds	Outstanding	2,417,268	2,367,744
	o/w, amounts held by PDs	28,144	38,218
Primary Issues	o/w, amounts held by Foreign Investors	308,035	309,856
T-bills	Amount Offered	18,000	18,000
	Total Bids Received	40,911	40,875
	Total Bids Accepted	19,181	22,207
T-bonds	Amount Offered	0	6,000
	Total Bids Received	0	14,135
	Total Bids Accepted	0	6,025
Latest Primary Issues			
T-bills	<= 91 days	11.37%	11.35%
	<182 days	12.91%	12.87%
	<364 days	13.18%	13.15%
T-bonds			
<2 year	Last Issue	0.00%	0.00%
2 year	Last Issue (02.08.12)	13.62%	13.62%
3 year	Last Issue (11.05.12)	13.50%	13.50%
4 year	Last Issue (02.08.12)	14.10%	14.10%
5 year	Last Issue (02.07.12)	14.15%	14.15%
6 year	Last Issue (02.08.12)	14.25%	14.25%
10 year	Last Issue (02.07.12)	14.75%	14.75%
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	10,963	6,063
	Sold	23,240	18,863
Repo Transactions	Repurchase	37,183	28,371
	Reverse Repurchase	7,091	3,814
T-bonds			
Outright Transactions	Purchased	9,220	6,204
	Sold	11,262	74,873
Repo Transactions	Repurchase	77,535	72,880
	Reverse Repurchase	12,140	7,918

Item/Week Ended		Week Ending August 08, 2012 After tax	Week Ending August 01 2012 After tax
Secondary Market Weighted Average Yield Rates			
Treasury Bills			
Purchased	<= 91 days	11.40%	11.37%
	<= 182 days	12.90%	12.75%
	<= 364 days	13.20%	13.18%
Sold	<= 91 days	11.30%	11.32%
	<= 182 days	12.80%	12.70%
	<= 364 days	13.10%	13.12%
Treasury Bonds			
Purchased	<= 1 year	0.00%	0.00%
	<= 2 year	13.72%	13.75%
	<= 3 year	13.90%	13.70%
	<= 4 year	14.22%	14.20%
	<= 5 year	14.35%	0.00%
	<= 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	13.67%	13.65%
	<= 3 year	13.80%	13.65%
	<= 4 year	14.16%	14.12%
	<= 5 year	14.25%	0.00%
	<= 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

	06.08. 2012	07.08. 2012	08.08. 2012	09.08. 2012	10.08. 2012
Repo Auction					
Amount Offered (Rs bn)	19.50	20.00	19.00	18.00	12.00
Bids received (Rs bn)	15.72	19.22	19.17	13.05	10.19
Amount accepted (Rs bn)	15.72	19.22	19.00	13.05	10.19
Weighted Average Yield (% p.a.)	9.42	9.43	9.43	9.43	9.43
Standing Facilities (Volumes)					
Repo (Rs bn)	2.29	0.63	0.76	5.55	1.65
Reverse Repo (Rs bn)	-	-	-	-	-

AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES PETTAH MARKET

	Week Ending 09.08.12	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago Annual Avg
Rice (Rs/Kg)				
Samba	66.50	66.00	67.13	63.26
Kekulu (Red)	47.50	48.50	49.75	51.52
Beans	90.00	100.00	90.00	124.23
Cabbage	65.00	60.00	51.25	60.04
Carrots	100.00	140.00	100.00	105.29
Tomatoes	30.00	80.00	127.50	84.35
Pumpkins	30.00	65.00	55.00	36.81
Snakegourd	60.00	60.00	55.00	49.48
Brinjals	60.00	65.00	58.75	55.93
Ash-Plantains	20.00	40.00	37.50	54.33
Red-Onions (Local)	57.50	80.00	61.25	113.60
Big-Onions (Local)	56.50	n.a	n.a	63.53
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	102.50	115.00	111.38	96.28
Dried Chillies (Imported)	180.00	180.00	178.75	239.13
Dhal (Indian)	125.00	120.00	122.50	113.15
Eggs (Red) (Each)	8.30	8.30	8.80	10.75
Coconut (Each)	24.50	23.50	24.88	34.10
Fish (Rs/Kg)*				
Kelawalla	290.00	380.00	435.00	351.20
Balaya	230.00	360.00	280.00	244.52
Salaya	150.00	130.00	133.33	112.37
Paraw (Small)	480.00	520.00	482.50	426.60

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES PETTAH MARKET

	Week ending 09.08.12	Week ago	Month ago	Year ago Annual avg
Rice (Rs/Kg)				
Samba	70.00	70.00	69.50	68.84
Kekulu (Red)	55.00	60.00	57.25	58.41
Beans	110.00	120.00	110.00	147.49
Cabbage	90.00	80.00	77.50	91.57
Carrots	115.00	160.00	122.50	131.18
Tomatoes	60.00	100.00	155.00	114.71
Pumpkins	50.00	80.00	77.50	58.24
Snakegourd	80.00	80.00	77.50	73.40
Brinjals	80.00	80.00	82.50	81.57
Ash-Plantains	35.00	60.00	57.50	76.57
Red-Onions (Local)	90.00	100.00	87.50	157.83
Big-Onions (Local)	n.a	n.a	n.a	78.89
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	120.00	130.00	127.50	115.31
Dried Chillies (Imported)	210.00	200.00	212.50	270.58
Dhal (Indian)	140.00	130.00	140.00	134.94
Eggs (Red) (Each)	8.50	8.50	9.00	11.21
Coconut (Each)	25.00	30.00	29.00	40.64
Fish (Rs/Kg)*				
Kelawalla	350.00	590.00	562.50	460.67
Balaya	290.00	500.00	365.00	331.82
Salaya	210.00	160.00	167.50	141.59
Paraw (Small)	520.00	580.00	622.50	514.77

* Prices collected from the Fisheries Trade Centre, Peliyagoda.

DAUMBULLA MARKET

Week Ending – 09 Aug, 2012 (Rs/Kg)

Food Item	Wholesale (Average)	Retail (Average)
Rice		
Samba	62.40	68.00
Kekulu (Red)	48.50	51.00
Vegetables		
Pumpkins	54.50	74.00
Snakegourd	30.50	53.50
Ash-Plantains	27.50	52.50
Beans	72.00	100.50
Carrots	115.50	144.50
Tomatoes	40.50	69.00
Other Foods		
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	96.50	113.00
Dried Chillies (Imported)	185.20	197.80
Big-Onions (Local)	55.30	77.50
Red-Onions (Local)	46.90	69.00
Coconut (Each)	22.20	28.80

PRICE INDICES

	July 2012	Month ago	Year ago
Colombo Consumers' Price Index (CCPI) (2006/07 = 100)	166.7	165.2	151.7
Annual Average Change %	6.0	5.8	7.0
Year-on-Year Change %	9.8	9.3	7.5
Core Inflation - (CCPI) (2006/07 = 100)	161.9	157.9	152.7
Annual Average Change %	5.5	5.7	7.4
Year-on-Year Change %	6.0	5.8	8.9
	Apr 2012*	Month ago	Year ago
Wholesale Price Index (WPI) (1974 = 100)	4,476.5	4,323.3	4,598.2
Annual Average Change %	1.0	2.8	13.4

*Provisional

WAGE RATE INDICES

	2012 (a) June	2011 June	% Change
Central Government Employees (1978 = 100) (b)	5,304.7	4,964.5	6.9
Workers in Wages Boards Trades (1978 = 100)	3,662.7	2,936.4	24.7
Agriculture	4,434.1	3,337.0	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

EXTERNAL FINANCE

		2012(a) End May	2011 End Dec	% Change
External Assets				
Total Reserves (b) (c)	US $ Mn	7,695.1	7,199.0	6.9
	Rs Mn	1,017,016.1	819,978.0	24.0
Gross Official Reserves (b)(c)	US$ Mn	5,815.0	5,957.6	-2.4
	Rs Mn	768,536.9	678,583.9	13.3
		2012(a) Jan-May	2011 Jan-May	% Change
Worker's Remittances Inflows	US$ Mn	2,475.2	2,103.0	17.6
	Rs Mn	306,602.8	232,276.3	32.0
Outflows	US$ Mn	256.7	201.1	27.7
	Rs Mn	30,680.8	22,218.3	38.1
Net	US$ Mn	2,218.5	1,901.9	16.6
	Rs Mn	275,922.0	210,057.9	31.4

(a) Provisional
(b) Excluding ACU Receipts
(c) By end May 2012, the total level of foreign reserves were equivalent to 4.47 months of imports and the gross official reserves were equivalent to 3.38 months of imports.

INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY PRICES

Colombo Auction Price		2012 May	2011 May	% change
Tea prices	Rs/kg	395.70	334.24	18.4
	US$/kg	3.06	3.04	0.7
Imports (CIF)				
Rice	Rs/mt	85,972	91,717	-6.3
	US$/mt	665	835	-20.4
White sugar	Rs/mt	79,033	76,476	3.3
	US$/mt	611	696	-12.3
Crude oil	Rs/barrel	14,326	12,245	17.0
	US$/barrel	111	112	-0.7
Wheat	Rs/mt	45,043	35,599	26.5
	US$/mt	348	324	7.4

GOVERNMENT DEBT

	2012* End May	Month ago	Year ago
Total domestic debt (Rs bn)	3,142.5	3,121.1	2,729.7
of which			
Treasury bills	694.0	718.3	602.6
Treasury bonds	1,985.5	1,934.5	1,697.4
Rupee loans	58.4	58.4	81.2
Total foreign debt (Rs bn)	2,759.7	2,733.2	2,071.2
Total outstanding govt debt (Rs bn)	5,902.2	5,854.3	4,800.9

* Provisional
Total outstanding government debt increased by 15.0 percent compared to end December 2011.

GOVERNMENT FINANCE

	2012* Jan-May	2011 Jan-May
Revenue and Grants (Rs bn)	389.1	357.4
Revenue (Rs. bn)	386.7	354.3
Tax	353.3	315.8
Non tax	33.3	38.5
Grants	2.5	3.1
Expenditure & Lending Minus Repayments (Rs bn)	696.0	543.6
Current	506.4	413.1
Capital & Lending Minus Repayments	189.6	130.5

* Provisional
Total revenue and grants increased by 8.9 percent compared to the period of Jan-May 2011

TRADE INDICES** (1997 = 100)

	2012** March	Month ago	Year ago
Total exports			
Value	116.3	122.3	129.5
Quantity	128.2	112.0	119.2
Unit value	90.7	109.2	108.7
Total imports			
Value	151.9	141.5	146.2
Quantity	125.3	123.3	123.3
Unit value	121.2	114.8	118.6
Terms of Trade	74.8	95.1	91.6

* In US$ terms
** Provisional

SHARE MARKET

	Week ending 09 Aug'12	Week ago	Year ago
All Share Price Index (1985 = 100) (ASPI)	4,852	4,960	6,750
Milanka Price Index (31.12.1998 = 1000) (MPI)	4,354	4,396	6,108
Average Daily Turnover (Rs mn)	383	853	1,559
Market Capitalization (Rs bn)	1,855.2	1,896.5	2,421.0

Both the All Share Price Index and Milanka Price Index have decreased by 108 and 42 index points respectively. The Average Daily Turnover has decreased by Rs 470 mn.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION

	2012* Jan-Jun	2011 Jan-Jun	% Change
Tea (mn kg)	161.4	170.7	-5.4
	Jan-May	Jan-May	
Rubber (Mn Kg)	67.4	68.5	-1.6
Coconuts (mn nuts)	1,214.7	1,081.3	12.3

* Provisional

EXTERNAL TRADE

		2012 Jan-May	2011 Jan-May	% Change
Exports	Rs mn	494,817	470,117	5.3
Agricultural		110,358	111,877	-1.4
Industrial		370,376	356,272	4.0
Mineral		3,244	1,553	108.9
Other		10,839	415	2512.0
Imports	Rs mn	1,011,275	840,568	20.3
Consumer goods		171,167	163,601	4.6
Intermediate goods		594,197	511,580	16.1
Investment goods		244,204	163,208	49.6
Other		1,707	2,180	-21.7
Trade Balance	Rs mn	-516,457	-370,451	-39.4
Exports	US$ mn	4,024	4,255	-5.4
Agricultural		894	1,013	-11.8
Industrial		3,011	3,225	-6.6
Mineral		26	14	83.9
Other		93	4	2379.7
Imports	US$ mn	8,208	7,611	7.8
Consumer goods		1,384	1,481	-6.6
Intermediate goods		4,821	4,633	4.1
Investment goods		1,989	1,478	34.6
Other		14	20	-27.3
Trade Balance	US$ mn	-4,184	-3,356	-24.7

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

	09 Aug 2012	Week Ago	Change
Reserve Money (Rs. mn).	474,860	472,970	1890

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 09.08.12	Week Ago
Rice		
Samba	68.00	68.00
Kekulu (Red)	53.00	53.33
Beans	100.00	100.00
Cabbage	80.00	80.00
Carrots	120.00	140.00
Tomatoes	70.00	120.00
Pumpkins	70.00	70.00
Snakegourd	80.00	80.00
Brinjals	80.00	80.00
Ash-Plantains	70.00	80.00
Red-Onions (Imported)	n.a.	n.a.
Big-Onions (Imported)	80.00	80.00
Potatoes (Imported)	80.00	90.00
Dried Chillies (Imported)	200.00	200.00
Dhal (Indian)	140.00	130.00
Eggs (Red) (Each)	10.00	10.00
Coconut (Each)	33.33	33.33
Fish		
Kelawalla	753.33	760.00
Balaya	n.a	300.00
Salaya	130.00	206.67
Paraw (Small)	790.00	950.00

COMMERCIAL PAPER ISSUES (1)

	2012 End May*	2012 End Apr	2011 End Dec
Total issues - Cumulative (Rs bn)	13.2	8.4	13.5
Outstanding (as at end of the period) (Rs bn)	10.2	8.2	8.1

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

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

	2012* May	2011 May	% Change
Industrial Production Index (IPI)(a) (2010 = 100)	112.8	108.3	4.2
	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

AVERAGE CRUDE OIL PRICES

Month	2011 Spot prices Brent (New York closing price) (US $/bbl)	WTI (European Market) (US $/bbl)	CPC Import Prices (C&F) (US $/bbl(*)	2012 Spot prices Brent (New York closing price) (US $/bbl)	WTI (European Market) (US $/bbl)	CPC Import Prices (C&F) (US$/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	96.60
July	117.35	97.19	112.85	103.20	87.86	
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			
03 August	114.59	91.87		110.32	91.42	
06 August	-	-		110.77	92.30	
07 August	-	-		113.15	93.68	
08 August	103.91	81.27		114.18	93.39	
09 August	104.48	79.32		114.28	93.39	

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.

The information contained in this issue is based on the Central Bank's own computations and data supplied by other institutions.

<< Back