

EXCHANGE RATES (Rs. per unit)

Sri Lanka Economic Indicators			
EXCHANGE RATES	Week ending	Week ago	Year ago
(Rs. per unit)	Nov 23		
Commercial Bank Avg. Middle Rate (prevailing at 9.30 a.m.)			
US\$	130.28	129.96	113.90
STG	207.70	206.09	177.77
Yen	1.58	1.60	1.48
Euro	167.76	165.90	153.30
INR (1)	2.36	2.38	2.18
SDR (As at 22 November, 2012)	198.73	198.72	172.71

Central Bank purchases and sales of foreign exchange from commercial banks at market rates			
	September	Month ago	Year ago
(US\$ Mn.) - total for Month	23.00	5.00	0.00
Purchases	300.00	15.75	514.05
Sales			

Average Daily Interbank Volume (US\$ Mn.)			
	Week ending	Week ago	Year ago
(spot, tom and cash transactions among commercial banks)	40.46	43.24	80.08
Forward Transactions			
Forward Rates (US\$)2			
1 Month	131.45	131.64	111.61
3 Months	133.92	133.38	112.87
Average Daily Interbank Forward Volume (US\$ mn)	8.94	13.30	29.00
Outstanding Forward Volume (US\$ mn) (As at 22 November, 2012)	1,092,731,129.35		

INTEREST RATES (%)

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	Week ending	Week ago	Year ago
Commercial Bank Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR)	14.37	14.18	9.71
Treasury Bill Yield (Excluding 10% withholding tax)			
- 91 days	10.74	10.67	7.51
- 182 days	12.07	12.05	7.54
- 364 days	12.81	12.73	-
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)	10.57	10.53	8.05
Sri Lanka Inter Bank Offer Rate (SLIBOR)			
1 day	10.60	10.60	8.17
7 days	11.35	11.35	8.23
1 Month	12.84	12.77	8.34
3 Months	13.47	13.38	8.49
6 Months	14.05	14.01	8.66
12 Months	14.55	14.59	8.84

COMMERCIAL BANK AVERAGE WEIGHTED PRIME LENDING RATE (AWPR)

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	September 2012	Month ago	Year ago
Saving Deposits - Commercial Banks	0.75-10.50	0.75-10.50	1.00-8.50
One Year Fixed Deposits - Commercial Banks	5.00-15.60	5.25-15.50	0.5-11.75

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Saving Deposits - NSB	5.00	5.00	5.00
One Year Fixed Deposits - NSB	12.50	12.50	8.50

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BUYING AND SELLING PRICES OF TREASURY BONDS

Quoted by primary dealers on 22/11/2012						
Bond Series	Maturity Period (Years)	Maturity D/M/Y	Average Buying Price*	Yield**	Average Selling Price*	Yield**
08.84% 2013A	2	05/10/13	97.17	12.35	97.32	12.15
09.22% 2013A	2	21/11/13	97.10	12.40	97.28	12.20
08.60% 2014A	2	01/02/14	93.55	12.57	93.76	12.37
09.00% 2014A	2	01/10/14	94.40	12.45	94.68	12.28
06.75% 2013A	3	01/09/13	95.99	12.31	96.18	12.04
08.50% 2015A	3	01/11/15	90.27	12.55	90.61	12.40
13.50% 2013A	4	01/02/13	100.27	11.60	100.32	11.33
11.50% 2013A	4	15/06/13	99.81	11.82	99.95	11.57
07.00% 2014A	4	01/03/14	93.56	12.61	93.71	12.48
06.60% 2014B	4	01/06/14	91.85	12.64	92.06	12.48
06.20% 2015A	4	15/01/15	88.39	12.53	88.60	12.40
06.20% 2015B	4	15/06/15	86.63	12.45	86.92	12.30
08.00% 2016B	4	01/06/16	87.35	12.55	87.60	12.45
11.25% 2014A	5	15/07/14	97.98	12.63	98.21	12.46
06.50% 2015A	5	15/07/15	86.84	12.48	87.07	12.37
08.00% 2016A	5	01/09/16	86.62	12.55	86.89	12.45

AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICE OF RICE MARANDAGAHAMULA

Item	Week ending	Week ago	Month ago	Rs/Kg Year ago
Samba	68.30	68.00	65.37	61.83
Sudu Kekulu	56.10	56.50	54.35	50.58
Raw Red	53.00	52.56	50.51	51.92
Nadu	58.08	57.50	56.23	52.71

MONEY MARKET ACTIVITY - VOLUMES (Rs. Mn)

(Rs mn)	Week ending	Week ago	Year ago
Inter-bank Call Money Turnover (a)	20,403	14,810	14,167
Central Bank Holdings(a)			
Treasury Bills	212,174	206,912	105,283

CREDIT CARDS *

Total number of Active Cards	2012(a)	2012	2011
Local (accepted only locally)	End Aug	End July	End Dec
Global (accepted globally)	60,660	60,766	61,320
Outstanding balance (Rs mn)	47,936	40,483	37,637
Local (accepted only locally)	3,011	1,144	1,098
Global (accepted only globally)	44,925	39,339	36,539

COMMERCIAL PAPER ISSUES (1)

Total issues - Cumulative (Rs bn)	2012	2012	2011
Outstanding (as at end of the period) (Rs bn)	End Aug	End July	End Dec
* Provisional	21.4	19.1	13.5
(1) Based on the information provided by Licensed Commercial Banks and Licensed Specialised Banks.			

GOVERNMENT DEBT SECURITIES MARKET

Weekly Summary of Primary & Secondary Market Transactions and Weighted Average Yield Rates				
Item/Week Ended	Week ending	Week ending	Week ending	Week ending
	Nov 21	Nov 14	Nov 14	Nov 14
Outstanding Stock of Government Securities	Rs. Mn	Rs. Mn	Rs. Mn	Rs. Mn
T-bills	Outstanding	747,565	731,613	
	o/w, amounts held by PDs	54,273	52,179	
	o/w, amounts held by Foreign Investors	80,045	80,208	
T-bonds	Outstanding	2,495,081	2,494,990	
	o/w, amounts held by PDs	29,674	29,495	
Primary Issues	o/w, amounts held by Foreign Investors	316,885	316,535	
T-bills	Amount Offered	19,000	14,000	
	Total Bids Received	44,812	37,672	
	Total Bids Accepted	22,424	15,601	
T-bonds	Amount Offered	0	0	
	Total Bids Received	0	0	
	Total Bids Accepted	0	0	

DAUMBULLA MARKET

Weekly Ending - 22 Nov, 2012 (Rs/Kg)				
Food Item	Wholesale (Average)	Retail (Average)		
Rice				
Samba	68.50	71.00		
Kekulu (Red)	54.50	57.00		
Vegetables				
Pumpkins	56.00	84.50		
Snakegourd	74.50	98.50		
Ash-Plantains	63.00	86.50		
Beans	148.00	188.50		
Carrots	173.00	210.50		
Tomatoes	53.00	79.00		
Other Foods				
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	94.00	116.00		
Dried Chillies (Imported)	190.00	212.00		
Big-Onions (Local)	60.30	90.00		
Red-Onions (Local)	108.00	131.00		
Coconut (Each)	32.20	38.30		

PRICE INDICES

Colombo Consumers' Price Index (CCPI) (2006/07 = 100)	165.0	165.5	151.5
Annual Average Change %	6.8	6.5	7.2
Year-on-Year Change %	8.9	9.1	5.1
Core Inflation - (CCPI) (2006/07 = 100)	162.7	161.9	152.4
Annual Average Change %	5.4	5.3	7.5
Year-on-Year Change %	6.8	6.2	5.6
Wholesale Price Index (WPI) (1974 = 100)	4,428.7	4,520.4	4,106.5
Annual Average Change %	-0.4	-0.3	14.9

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION

Tea (Mn kg)	2012*	2011	% Change
Jan-Sep	239.5	245.2	-2.3
Rubber (Mn kg)	117.4	119.1	-1.4
Coconuts (Mn nuts)	2,297.4	2,062.1	11.4

EXTERNAL FINANCE

	2012(a)	2011	% Change
	End Sep	End Dec	
External Assets			
Total Reserves (b)	US \$ Mn 8,610.2	7,199.0	19.6
	Rs Mn 1,117,550.6	819,978.0	36.3
Gross Official Reserves (b)	US \$ Mn 7,053.1	5,957.6	18.4
Rs Mn	915,447.5	678,583.9	34.9
Worker's Remittances (C)			
Inflows	US \$ Mn 4,418.6	3,782.1	16.8
Rs Mn	561,531.4	416,568.0	34.8

INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY PRICES

Colombo Auction Price				
	2012	2011	% Change	
	Sep	Sep		
Tea Prices	Rs/kg 419.73	345.40	21.5	
	US\$/kg 3.81	2.62	45.4	
Imports (CIF)				
Rice	Rs/mt 101,204	72,136	40.3	
	US\$/mt 768	655	17.3	
White sugar	Rs/mt 84,305	83,800	0.6	
	US\$/mt 640	761	-15.9	
Crude oil	Rs/barrel -	11,942	-	
	US\$/barrel -	108	-	
Wheat	Rs/mt 42,490	36,924	15.1	
	US\$/mt 322	335	-3.8	

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