

EXCHANGE RATES (Rs. per unit)

	Week ending Mar 28	Week ago	Year ago
(Rs. per unit)			
Commercial Bank Avg. Middle Rate (prevailing at 9.30 a.m.)			
US\$	126.89	126.96	129.95
STG	192.07	192.74	207.33
Yen	1.35	1.34	1.57
Euro	162.13	163.81	173.22
INR (1)	2.33	2.33	2.57
SDR (As at 27 March, 2013)	189.65	190.28	201.50

Central Bank purchases and sales of foreign exchange from commercial banks at market rates

	December 2012	Month ago	Year ago
Purchases (US\$ Mn.) - total for Month	77.00	0.00	65.00
Sales	6.30	7.85	586.18
	Week ending	Week ago	Year ago

Average Daily Interbank Volume (US\$ Mn.)

	2012	2011	2010
(spot, tom and cash transactions among commercial banks)	61.51	69.05	62.81

Forward Transactions

Forward Rates (US\$2)	2012	2011	2010
1 Month	127.97	127.56	130.97
3 Months	130.00	129.55	133.00

Average Daily Interbank Forward Volume (US\$ mn)

	2012	2011	2010
	16.14	22.11	26.77

Outstanding Forward Volume (US\$ mn) (As at 27 March, 2013)

	2012	2011	2010
	984.08	1,017.90	1,415.13

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

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

GOVERNMENT DEBT SECURITIES MARKET

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

Item/Week Ended	Week ending Mar 20 2013	Week ending Mar 13 2013
Outstanding Stock of Government Securities		
T-bills	816,447	795,539
o/w, amounts held by PDs	84,845	83,141
o/w, amounts held by Foreign Investors	61,241	60,728
T-bonds	2,643,727	2,632,323
o/w, amounts held by PDs	21,762	21,847
Primary Issues	415,311	415,761
o/w, amounts held by Foreign Investors		
T-bills	15,000	16,000
Amount Offered	20,625	26,240
Total Bids Received	6,460	12,447
Total Bids Accepted		
T-bonds	0	0
Amount Offered	0	0
Total Bids Received	0	0
Total Bids Accepted		
Latest Primary Issues		
T-bills	<= 91 days	9.16%
	<= 182 days	10.15%
	<= 364 days	11.19%
T-bonds	Last Issue	0.00%
<= 2 year	Last Issue (02.08.12)	13.62%
3 year	Last Issue (24.01.13)	10.98%
4 year	Last Issue (02.08.12)	14.10%
5 year	Last Issue (15.02.13)	10.73%
6 year	Last Issue (01.03.13)	10.97%
10 year	Last Issue (01.03.13)	11.76%
15 year	Last Issue (01.02.13)	12.21%
20 year	Last Issue (01.02.12)	11.00%
Secondary Market Activities		
T-bills		
Outright Transactions		
Purchased	1,141	5,909
Sold	6,444	11,304
Repo Transactions		
Repurchase	44,415	43,953
Reverse Repurchase	21,024	19,709
T-bonds		
Outright Transactions		
Purchased	1,291	3,049
Sold	2,081	3,123
Repo Transactions		
Repurchase	125,076	113,900
Reverse Repurchase	13,707	11,162

Item/Week Ended	Week ending Mar 20 2013	Week ending Mar 13 2013
Secondary Market Weighted Average Yield Rates		
Treasury Bills		
Purchased	<= 91 days	9.30%
	<= 182 days	10.25%
	<= 364 days	11.35%
Sold	<= 91 days	9.20%
	<= 182 days	10.15%
	<= 364 days	11.25%
Treasury Bonds		
Purchased	<= 1 year	0.00%
	<= 2 year	11.20%
	<= 3 year	11.20%
	<= 4 year	11.50%
	<= 5 year	11.45%
	<= 10 year	0.00%
	<= 15 year	0.00%
Sold	<= 1 year	0.00%
	<= 2 year	11.00%
	<= 3 year	11.00%
	<= 4 year	11.40%
	<= 5 year	11.35%
	<= 10 year	0.00%
	<= 15 year	0.00%
	> 15 year	0.00%

Source: Primary Auctions and Primary Dealer Weekly Reporting System

NARAHENPITA ECONOMIC CENTRE (Rs/Kg)

Item	Average 27.03.13	Week Ago
Rice		
Samba	68.00	69.67
Kekulu (Red)	55.00	56.00
Beans	100.00	100.00
Cabbage	100.00	90.00
Carrots	100.00	100.00
Tomatoes	110.00	100.00
Pumpkins	90.00	100.00
Snakegourd	80.00	80.00
Brinjals	90.00	80.00
Ash-Plantains	85.00	80.00
Red-Onions (Imported)	120.00	120.00
Big-Onions (Imported)	80.00	80.00
Potatoes (Imported)	60.00	70.00
Dried Chillies (Imported)	210.00	220.00
Dhal (Indian)	140.00	150.00
Eggs (Red) (Each)	15.00	15.00
Coconut (Each)	40.00	40.00
Fish		
Kelawalla	590.00	600.00
Balaya	490.00	n.a.
Salaya	180.00	220.00
Paraw (Small)	890.00	656.67

WAGE RATE INDICES

	2013 (a) January	2012 January	Change
Central Government Employees (1978 = 100) (b)	5,483.2	5,304.7	3.4
Workers in Wages Boards			
Trades (1978 = 100)	3,720.7	3,653.9	1.8
Agriculture	4,434.5	4,420.9	0.3
Industry & Commerce	2,689.7	2,402.1	12.0
Services	1,883.0	1,851.8	1.7

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

BUYING AND SELLING PRICES OF TREASURY BONDS Quoted by primary dealers on 27/03/2013

Bond Series	Maturity Period (Years)	Maturity D/M/Y	Average Buying Price*	Yield**	Average Selling Price*	Yield**
08.84% 2013A	2	05/10/13	99.34	10.15	99.43	9.98
09.22% 2013A	2	21/11/13	99.46	10.05	99.56	9.90
06.60% 2014A	2	01/02/14	96.67	10.78	96.95	10.41
09.00% 2014A	2	01/10/14	97.34	10.95	97.52	10.82
06.75% 2015A	3	01/09/13	98.53	10.28	98.60	10.10
08.50% 2015A	3	01/11/15	94.47	11.00	94.79	10.85
11.50% 2013A	4	15/06/13	100.28	9.90	100.33	9.65
07.00% 2014A	4	01/03/14	96.66	10.86	96.79	10.71
06.60% 2014B	4	01/06/14	95.33	10.90	95.49	10.75
06.20% 2015A	4	15/01/15	92.26	11.04	92.45	10.91
06.20% 2015B	4	15/06/15	90.82	10.96	91.07	10.83
08.00% 2016B	4	01/06/16	91.77	11.13	92.14	10.98
11.25% 2014A	5	15/07/14	100.45	10.84	100.62	10.70
06.50% 2015A	5	15/07/15	90.88	11.09	91.14	10.94
08.00% 2016A	5	01/09/16	91.25	11.13	91.65	10.98
08.00% 2017A	5	01/01/17	89.93	11.35	90.12	11.28

MARANDAGAHAMULA AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICE OF RICE

Item	Week ending 28.03.13	Week ago	Month ago	Rs/Kg Year ago
Samba	59.00	60.20	62.17	68.41
Sudu Kekulu	48.50	49.90	54.12	56.29
Raw Red	49.30	48.88	50.61	52.35
Nadu	48.50	49.50	54.82	58.45

MONEY MARKET ACTIVITY - VOLUMES (Rs. Mn)

	Week ending 27 Mar '13	Week ago	Year ago
Inter-bank Call Money Turnover (a)	15,940	8,612	12,380
Central Bank Holdings(a)			
Treasury Bills	146,017	142,011	217,564

(a) Daily average for week

CREDIT CARDS *

	2012(a) End Nov	2012 End Dec	2011(b) End Dec
Total number of Active Cards	948,103	944,543	862,352
Local (accepted only locally)	59,914	60,371	61,320
Global (accepted globally)	889,189	884,172	801,032
Outstanding balance (Rs mn)	42,380	41,638	37,637
Local (accepted only locally)	1,154	1,159	1,098
Global (accepted only globally)	41,226	40,478	36,539

* Issued by Licensed Commercial Banks (a) Provisional

SHARE MARKET

	Week ending 27 Mar '13	Week ago	Year ago
All Share Price Index (1985 = 100) (ASPI)	5,745	5,764	5,425
S & P Sri Lanka 20 Index (S & P SL20)	3,300	3,313	-
Average Daily Turnover (Rs mn)	787	637	741
Market Capitalization (Rs bn)	2,209	2,216	2,014

Both the All Share Price Index and the S & P SL20 index have decreased by 19 and 13 index points respectively. The Average Daily Turnover has increased by Rs 150 mn.

COMMERCIAL PAPER ISSUES (1)

	2012 End Nov	2012 End Dec	2011 End Dec
Total issues - Cumulative (Rs bn)	32.6	28.6	13.5
Outstanding (as at end of the period) (Rs bn)	11.0	9.8	8.1

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

INTEREST RATES (%)

	Week ending March 28	Week ago	Year ago
Commercial Bank Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR)	13.77	13.87	12.62
Treasury Bill Yield (Excluding 10% withholding tax)			
91 days	9.26	9.22	10.75
182 days	10.25	10.25	11.30
364 days	11.35	11.26	11.11
Central Bank Overnight Repurchase Rate (Repo)	7.50	7.50	7.50
Central Bank Overnight Reverse Repurchase Rate	9.50	9.50	9.00
Call Money Weekly Average (CMR)	9.49	9.44	9.26
Sri Lanka Inter Bank Offer Rate (SLIBOR)			
1 day	9.52	9.52	9.30
7 days	10.20	10.14	9.67
1 Month	11.93	11.96	9.95
3 Months	12.79	12.77	10.38
6 Months	13.28	13.26	10.81
12 Months	13.81	13.80	11.25
November 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	5.00-17.00	5.00-16.00	5.55-11.00
February 2013			
Month ago			
Year ago			
Commercial Bank Average Weighted Deposit Rate (AWDR)	10.69	10.56	7.88
Commercial Bank Average Weighted Fixed Deposit Rate (AWFDR)	13.94	13.82	9.84
December 2012			
Month ago			
Year ago			
Commercial Bank Average Weighted Lending Rate (AWLR)	16.12	15.98	13.59
December 2012			
Month ago			
Year ago			
Saving Deposits - NSB	5.00	5.00	5.00
One Year Fixed Deposits - NSB	12.50	12.50	8.50
(05 Yrs & 10 Yrs) & (12 Yrs & 27.03.13)	05 Mths	10 Mths	27.03.13
Coupon rate	8.50	9.00	9.00
Weighted Average Yield (Excluding 10% withholding tax)	11.45	11.80	12.15
Call money rates remained between 9.35 to 9.60 percent during the week.			
* AWPR - Average for the month of March 2013 - 13.86			

DAUMBULLA MARKET

Week Ending - 27 Mar, 2013 (Rs/Kg)

Food Item	Wholesale (Average)	Retail (Average)
Rice		
Samba	64.25	68.88
Kekulu (Red)	50.75	56.50
Vegetables		
Pumpkins	45.63	71.25
Snakegourd	25.63	53.75
Ash-Plantains	57.50	80.63
Beans	71.25	111.88
Carrots	74.38	117.50
Tomatoes	31.88	61.25
Other Foods		
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	64.17	82.50
Dried Chillies (Imported)	189.13	230.00
Big-Onions (Local)	n.a.	n.a.
Red-Onions (Local)	81.25	117.50
Coconut (Each)	42.50	49.63