ECONOMIC INDICATORS

05 - 04 - 2013

EXCHANGE RATES (Rs. per unit)

Week	Week ending Apr 05	Year ago	ago
(Rs. per unit)			
Commercial Bank Avg. Middle Rate (prevailing at 9.30 a.m.)			
US$	125.86	126.89	125.47
STG	191.54	192.07	199.50
Yen	1.30	1.35	1.53
Euro	162.57	162.13	165.03
INR (1)	2.30	2.33	2.46
SDR (As at 04 April, 2013)	188.88	189.65	195.13

Central Bank purchases and sales of foreign exchange from commercial banks at market rates (US$ Mn.) - total for Month	January 2013	Month ago	Year ago
Purchases	434.75	77.00	0.00
Sales	26.00	6.30	609.80
	Week ending	Week ago	Year ago
Average Daily Interbank Volume (US$ Mn.)	65.29	61.51	71.16
(spot, tom and cash transactions among commercial banks)			
Forward Transactions			
Forward Rates (US$)2			
1 Month	127.30	127.97	128.85
3 Months	129.34	130.00	130.57
Average Daily Interbank Forward Volume (US$ mn)	18.48	16.14	13.85
Outstanding Forward Volume (US$ mn) (As at 04 April, 2013)	970.93	984.08	1,407.38

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

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

INTEREST RATES (%)

(%)	Week ending April 05	Week ago	Year ago
Commercial Bank Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR)	13.76	13.77	12.65
Treasury Bill Yield (Excluding 10% withholding tax)			
91 days	9.26	9.26	11.05
182 days	-	-	11.06
364 days	11.35	11.35	11.32
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)	9.44	9.49	9.19
Sri Lanka Inter Bank Offer Rate (SLIBOR)			
1 day	9.51	9.52	9.29
7 days	10.20	10.20	9.57
1 Month	11.92	11.93	9.98
3 Months	12.75	12.79	10.34
6 Months	13.27	13.28	10.87
12 Months	13.93	13.81	11.34

	December 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

	March 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

	January 2013	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 (05 Yrs & 03 Mths)	12.50 (10 Yrs & 05 Mths)	8.50 (12 Yrs & 10 Mths)
Treasury Bonds Auction	27.03.13	27.03.13	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 9.50 percent during the week.
* AWPR – Average for the month of March 2013 – 13.86

Bankwise-AWPR	Week ending 05.04.13	Week Ago
Bank of Ceylon	14.70	14.75
People's Bank	18.23	18.55
Hatton National Bank	14.11	14.13
Commercial Bank Of Ceylon	13.75	14.06
Sampath Bank	13.72	14.21
Seylan Bank	17.39	15.90
Union Bank of Colombo	17.92	18.00
Pan Asia Banking Corporation	16.50	17.00
Nations Trust Bank	13.89	14.44
DFCC Vardhana Bank	16.44	16.44
NDB Bank	15.30	15.78
Amana Bank	17.22	17.22
HSBC	11.34	12.19
Standard Chartered Bank	13.45	13.72
Citi Bank	12.81	11.37
Deutsche Bank	11.66	13.57
Habib Bank	14.80	14.78
Indian Bank	15.36	15.86
Indian Overseas Bank	15.13	15.13
MCB Bank	13.96	15.47
State Bank of India	16.41	16.62
Public Bank	15.00	15.00
ICICI Bank	14.17	14.96
Axis Bank	-	-

MONEY SUPPLY

2013(a)	Month January	Year ago	ago
M1 (Rs. bn)	440.6	450.0	431.7
M2 (Rs. bn)	2,529.8	2,463.3	2,139.7
M2b (Rs. bn)	2,984.6	2,929.1	2,513.1
Net Foreign Assets of the Banking System (Rs. bn) (b)	-22.2	-25.8	53.3
Net Domestic Assets of the Banking System (Rs. bn)(b)	3,006.8	2,954.9	2,469.8
Net Credit to Government (Rs. bn)	1,087.3	1,045.2	926.8
Credit to Corporations (Rs. bn)	291.4	292.5	201.7
Credit to the Private Sector (Rs. bn)	2,368.1	2,358.4	2,050.4
Reserve Money (Rs. bn)	484.1	484.4	434.9
Annual Change (%)			
M1	2.1	2.6	5.9
M2	18.2	16.4	21.3
M2b	18.3	17.6	20.1
Net Foreign Assets of the Banking System (b)	-141.6	-126.3	-84.5
Net Domestic Assets of the Banking System (b)	21.7	23.4	40.6
Net Credit to Government	17.3	25.4	53.3
Credit to Corporations	44.5	47.3	47.0
Credit to the Private Sector	15.5	17.6	34.3
Reserve Money	11.3	10.2	19.8

(a) Provisional
(b) In relation to M2b

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION

	2013* Jan	2012 Jan	% Change
Tea (Mn kg)	23.2	22.4	3.6
Rubber (Mn Kg)	11.5	13.5	-15.1
	2012* Jan-Dec	2011 Jan-Dec	
Coconuts (Mn nuts)	2,939.5	2,808.0	4.7

* Provisional

BUYING AND SELLING PRICES OF TREASURY BONDS
Quoted by primary dealers on 13/09/2007

Quoted by Primary Dealers on 04/04/2013

Bond Series	Maturity Period (Years)	Maturity D/M/Y	Average Buying Price*	Yield**	Average Selling Price*	Yield**
08.84% 2013A	2	05/10/13	99.19	10.53	99.26	10.39
09.22% 2013A	2	21/11/13	99.19	10.54	99.26	10.43
06.60% 2014A	2	01/02/14	96.91	10.57	96.99	10.47
09.00% 2014A	2	01/10/14	97.52	10.84	97.71	10.70
06.75% 2013A	3	01/09/13	98.49	10.54	98.55	10.40
08.50% 2015A	3	01/11/15	94.36	11.07	94.68	10.92
11.50% 2013A	4	15/06/13	100.30	9.60	100.34	9.43
07.00% 2014A	4	01/03/14	96.77	10.81	97.07	10.45
06.60% 2014B	4	01/06/14	95.35	10.96	95.50	10.81
06.20% 2015A	4	15/01/15	92.48	10.95	92.68	10.82
06.20% 2015B	4	15/06/15	90.77	11.04	91.05	10.88
08.00% 2016B	4	01/06/16	92.07	11.03	92.30	10.94
11.25% 2014A	5	15/07/14	100.34	10.93	100.51	10.78
06.50% 2015A	5	15/07/15	91.05	11.03	91.33	10.88
08.00% 2016A	5	01/09/16	91.32	11.13	91.63	11.01
08.00% 2017A	5	01/01/17	90.47	11.18	90.72	11.09

AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICE OF RICE MARANDAGAHAMULA

Item	Week ending 05.04.13	Week ago Avg	Month ago	Rs/Kg Year ago
Samba	59.33	59.00	60.49	68.41
Sudu Kekulu	48.83	48.50	50.11	56.29
Raw Red	48.65	49.30	49.14	52.35
Nadu	48.75	48.50	49.82	58.45

MONEY MARKET ACTIVITY - VOLUMES (Rs. Mn)

(Rs mn)	Week ending 04 Apr'13	Week ago	Year ago
Inter-bank Call Money Turnover (a)	6,783	15,940	7,782
Central Bank Holdings(a)			
Treasury Bills	148,723	146,017	227,214

(a) Daily average for week

CREDIT CARDS *

	2012(a) End Nov	2012 End Oct	2011(b) End Dec
Total number of Active Cards	949,103	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	Week ending 04 Apr'13	Year ago	ago
All Share Price Index (1985 = 100) (ASPI)	5,754	5,745	5,401
S & P Sri Lanka 20 Index (S & P SL20)	3,319	3,300	-
Average Daily Turnover (Rs mn)	1,206	787	994
Market Capitalization (Rs bn)	2,207	2,209	2,008

Both the All Share Price Index and the S & P SL20 index have increased by 9 and 19 index points respectively. The Average Daily Turnover has increased by Rs 419 mn.

GOVERNMENT DEBT SECURITIES MARKET

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

Item/Week Ended		Week ending Apr 03 2013 Rs. Mn	Week ending Mar 27 2013 Rs. Mn
Outstanding Stock of Government Securities			
T-bills	Outstanding	815,820	807,453
	o/w, amounts held by PDs	82,605	83,586
	o/w, amounts held by Foreign Investors	61,512	61,145
T-bonds	Outstanding	2,729,170	2,656,802
	o/w, amounts held by PDs	20,667	21,379
Primary Issues	o/w, amounts held by Foreign Investors	413,300	415,321
T-bills	Amount Offered	12,000	10,000
	Total Bids Received	30,397	20,927
	Total Bids Accepted	8,837	8,832
T-bonds	Amount Offered	0	15,000
	Total Bids Received	0	36,800
	Total Bids Accepted	0	15,000
Latest Primary Issues		Yield Rates	
T-bills	= 91 days	9.26%	9.26%
	82 days	0.00%	0.00%
	364 days	11.35%	11.35%
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 (24.01.13)	10.98%	10.98%
4 year	Last Issue (02.08.12)	14.10%	14.10%
5 year	Last Issue (01.04.13)	11.45%	11.45%
6 year	Last Issue (01.03.13)	10.97%	10.97%
10 year	Last Issue (01.04.13)	11.80%	11.80%
15 year	Last Issue (01.02.13)	12.21%	12.21%
20 year	Last Issue (01.02.12)	11.00%	11.00%
Secondary Market Activities			
T-bills		Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn
Outright Transactions			
	Purchased	2,226	4,093
	Sold	6,827	7,195
Repo Transactions			
	Repurchase	44,729	40,170
	Reverse Repurchase	15,911	15,772
T-bonds			
Outright Transactions			
	Purchased	12,393	1,934
	Sold	16,716	2,368
Repo Transactions			
	Repurchase	135,898	119,210
	Reverse Repurchase	11,301	10,605

Item/Week Ended		Week Ending April 03 2013 After tax	Week Ending March 27 2013 After tax
Secondary Market Weighted Average Yield Rates			
Treasury Bills			
Purchased			
	<= 91 days	9.30%	9.45%
	<= 182 days	10.30%	10.40%
	<= 364 days	11.35%	11.50%
Sold			
	<= 91 days	9.20%	9.35%
	<= 182 days	10.25%	10.30%
	<= 364 days	11.30%	11.35%
Treasury Bonds			
Purchased			
	<= 1 year	0.00%	0.00%
	<= 2 year	11.00%	11.10%
	<= 3 year	11.00%	11.25%
	<= 4 year	11.15%	11.35%
	<= 5 year	11.24%	11.55%
	<= 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	10.90%	11.00%
	<= 3 year	10.90%	11.10%
	<= 4 year	11.05%	11.20%
	<= 5 year	11.20%	11.40%
	<= 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

	01.04. 2013	02.04. 2013	03.04. 2013	04.04. 2013	05.04. 2013
Repo Auction					
Amount Offered (Rs bn)	19.00	36.00	36.00	36.00	49.00
Bids received (Rs bn)	33.07	33.65	32.85	29.00	39.39
Amount accepted (Rs bn)	19.00	33.65	32.85	29.00	39.39
Weighted Average Yield (% p.a.)	8.35	8.36	8.36	8.36	8.36
Standing Facilities (Volumes) Repo (Rs bn)	14.83	4.25	2.38	7.44	9.17
Reverse Repo (Rs bn)	-	-	-	-	-

AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES PETTAH MARKET

Week	Week Ending 04.04.13	Month Ago	Year Ago	Ago Annual Avg
Rice (Rs/Kg)				
Samba	64.00	64.00	64.50	65.58
Kekulu (Red)	50.00	52.00	51.38	50.63
Beans	60.00	100.00	107.50	103.35
Cabbage	60.00	70.00	67.50	51.15
Carrots	110.00	100.00	101.25	104.91
Tomatoes	50.00	75.00	81.67	71.00
Pumpkins	40.00	50.00	60.00	40.97
Snakegourd	40.00	50.00	56.67	56.91
Brinjals	40.00	50.00	56.67	61.86
Ash-Plantains	40.00	80.00	77.50	46.79
Red-Onions (Local)	90.00	80.00	71.25	86.75
Big-Onions (Local)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	57.32
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	79.00	77.50	76.25	94.95
Dried Chillies (Imported)	183.00	187.00	187.00	176.66
Dhal (Indian)	143.00	142.00	138.00	117.81
Eggs (Red) (Each)	14.50	14.50	14.38	10.32
Coconut (Each)	36.50	36.50	36.88	27.97
Fish (Rs/Kg)*				
Kelawalla	430.00	300.00	335.00	396.15
Balaya	300.00	250.00	250.00	278.80
Salaya	100.00	130.00	132.50	112.08
Paraw (Small)	400.00	330.00	402.50	424.10

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES PETTAH MARKET

	Week ending 04.04.13	Week ago	Month ago	Year ago Annual avg
Rice (Rs/Kg)				
Samba	70.00	70.00	70.00	69.75
Kekulu (Red)	60.00	60.00	60.00	57.90
Beans	80.00	120.00	132.50	126.73
Cabbage	80.00	120.00	100.00	77.12
Carrots	140.00	120.00	125.00	126.63
Tomatoes	80.00	100.00	107.50	96.25
Pumpkins	60.00	70.00	85.00	61.15
Snakegourd	60.00	80.00	85.00	82.50
Brinjals	50.00	70.00	80.00	86.54
Ash-Plantains	60.00	100.00	97.50	67.55
Red-Onions (Local)	100.00	100.00	106.67	114.23
Big-Onions (Local)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	70.68
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	100.00	100.00	95.00	114.13
Dried Chillies (Imported)	220.00	220.00	222.00	213.04
Dhal (Indian)	160.00	160.00	150.00	137.50
Eggs (Red) (Each)	15.00	15.00	14.88	10.70
Coconut (Each)	45.00	45.00	41.25	33.72
Fish (Rs/Kg)*				
Kelawalla	530.00	530.00	450.00	508.53
Balaya	360.00	310.00	310.00	367.06
Salaya	140.00	180.00	187.50	152.20
Paraw (Small)	460.00	390.00	460.00	527.35

* Prices collected from the Fisheries Trade Centre, Peliyagoda.

DAUMBULLA MARKET

Week Ending – 04 Apr, 2013 (Rs/Kg)

Food Item	Wholesale (Average)	Retail (Average)
Rice		
Samba	63.50	67.50
Kekulu (Red)	48.50	52.50
Vegetables		
Pumpkins	43.80	60.50
Snakegourd	17.70	36.50
Ash-Plantains	50.00	72.00
Beans	34.50	64.00
Carrots	80.50	122.00
Tomatoes	34.30	59.00
Other Foods		
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	67.00	82.50
Dried Chillies (Imported)	186.50	222.00
Big-Onions (Local)	n.a.	n.a.
Red-Onions (Local)	103.13	125.00
Coconut (Each)	37.60	44.90

PRICE INDICES

	March 2013	Month ago	Year ago
Colombo Consumers' Price Index (CCPI) (2006/07 = 100)	170.8	170.7	158.8
Annual Average Change %	8.8	8.6	5.9
Year-on-Year Change %	7.5	9.8	5.5
Core Inflation - (CCPI) (2006/07 = 100)	165.8	165.4	155.3
Annual Average Change %	6.4	6.3	6.5
Year-on-Year Change %	6.8	7.4	4.9
	Dec 2012*	Month ago	Year ago
Wholesale Price Index (WPI) (1974 = 100)	4,719.0	4,658.2	4,148.5
Annual Average Change %	3.5	1.9	10.6

*Provisional

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

	2012* Dec	2011 Dec	% Change
Industrial Production Index (IPI)(a) (2010 = 100)	103.8	107.5	-3.4
	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

EXTERNAL FINANCE

		2013(a) End Dec	2012 End Dec	% Change
External Assets				
Total Reserves (b)	US $ Mn	8,357.7	8,357.2	2.2
	Rs Mn	1,079,605.8	1,062,705.7	1.6
Gross Official Reserves (b)	US$ Mn	6,855.4	6,877.3	-0.3
	Rs Mn	866,867.9	874,510.8	-0.9
		2013(a) Jan	2012(a) Dec	% Change
Workers' Remittances (C)				
Inflows	US$ Mn	524.0	553.2	-5.3
	Rs Mn	66,470.5	71,000.6	-6.4
Workers' Remittances		2012(a) Jan-Sep	2011 Jan-Sep	% Change
Inflows	US$ Mn	4,418.7	3,782.1	16.8
	Rs Mn	561,536.8	416,568.0	34.8
Outflows	US$ Mn	468.4	330.4	41.8
	Rs Mn	59,316.3	36,408.1	62.9
Net	US$ Mn	3,950.2	3,451.7	14.4
	Rs Mn	502,220.5	380,159.8	32.1

(a) Provisional
(b) By end January 2013, the total level of foreign reserves were equivalent to 5.46 months of imports and the gross official reserves were equivalent to 4.38 months of imports.
© Data on workers' remittances outflows are published on quarterly basis.

INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY PRICES

Colombo Auction Price		2013 Jan	2012 Jan	% Change
Tea Prices	Rs/kg	423.31	348.13	21.6
	US$/kg	3.34	3.06	9.3
Imports (CIF)				
Rice	Rs/mt	93,713	75,827	23.6
	US$/mt	739	666	11.0
White sugar	Rs/mt	72,065	71,503	0.8
	US$/mt	568	628	-9.5
Crude oil	Rs/barrel	12,668	13,169	-3.8
	US$/barrel	100	116	-13.6
Wheat	Rs/mt	42,499	40,210	5.7
	US$/mt	335	353	-5.1

GOVERNMENT DEBT

	2012* End Sep	Month ago	Year ago
Total domestic debt (Rs bn)	3,280.4	3,253.2	2,824.1
of which			
Treasury bills	626.8	638.2	626.6
Treasury bonds	2,161.8	2,121.7	1,796.2
Rupee loans	58.4	58.4	62.0
Total foreign debt (Rs bn)	2,981.5	2,995.8	2,245.2
Total outstanding govt debt (Rs bn)	6,262.0	6,249.0	5,069.3

* Provisional
Total outstanding government debt increased by 22.0 percent compared to end December 2011.

GOVERNMENT FINANCE

	2012* Jan-Sep	2011 Jan-Sep
Revenue and Grants (Rs bn)	725.7	670.9
Revenue (Rs. bn)	711.3	661.2
Tax	629.5	590.8
Non tax	81.8	70.4
Grants	14.4	9.7
Expenditure & Lending Minus Repayments (Rs bn)	1,208.7	1,051.6
Current	851.8	780.9
Capital & Lending Minus Repayments	356.9	270.7

* Provisional
Total revenue and grants increased by 8.2 percent compared to the period of Jan-Sep 2011

TRADE INDICES** (1997 = 100)

(2010 = 100)

	2012** Nov	Month ago	Year ago
Total exports			
Value	115.2	107.2	123.2
Quantity	108.0	114.4	110.8
Unit Value	106.7	93.7	111.2
Total Imports			
Value	171.7	141.3	177.8
Quantity	124.2	122.6	127.8
Unit Value	138.2	115.2	139.1
Terms of Trade	77.2	81.3	79.9

* In US$ Terms
** Provisional

NOMINAL WAGES

	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

WEEKLY CHANGE IN RESERVE MONEY

04 Apr	Week 2013	Change Ago	
Reserve Money (Rs. mn).	544,560	512,920	31640

EXTERNAL TRADE

		2013 January	2012 January	% Change
Exports	Rs mn	92,187	101,163	-8.9
Agricultural		21,190	20,669	2.5
Industrial		70,750	80,073	-11.6
Mineral		130	295	-55.9
Other		116	126	-7.7
Imports	Rs mn	191,189	218,118	-12.3
Consumer goods		31,307	32,765	-4.4
Intermediate goods		103,972	124,892	-16.8
Investment goods		55,841	59,601	-6.3
Other		68	860	-92.1
Trade Balance	Rs mn	-99,002	-116,955	-15.4
Exports	US$ mn	727	888	-18.2
Agricultural		167	182	-7.9
Industrial		558	703	-20.7
Mineral		1	3	-60.4
Other		1	1	-17.1
Imports	US$ mn	1,507	1,915	-21.3
Consumer goods		247	288	-14.2
Intermediate goods		820	1,097	-25.3
Investment goods		440	523	-15.9
Other		1	8	-92.9
Trade Balance	US$ mn	-780	-1,027	-24.0

INDUSTRIAL EXPORTS

		2013 January	2012 January	% Change
Total Industrial Exports	Rs mn	70,750	80,073	-11.6
Food, Beverages and Tobacco		1,573	2,366	-33.5
Textiles and apparel		42,352	41,755	1.4
Petroleum Products		4,905	5,206	-5.8
Leather, Rubber etc		8,391	9,427	-11.0
Other		13,529	21,320	-36.5
Total Industrial Exports	US$ mn	558	703	-20.7
Food, Beverages and Tobacco		12	21	-40.3
Textiles and Apparel		334	367	-8.9
Petroleum Products		39	46	-15.4
Leather, Rubber etc		66	83	-20.1
Other		107	187	-43.0

EMPLOYMENT

2012(a)	2011(a) 3rd Quarter	2011(a) 3rd Quarter	Annual
Labour Force Participation rate	47.5	48.3	48.2
Unemployment rate	4.0	3.9	4.2
Employed persons by Sectors %			
Agriculture	30.9	32.9	32.9
Industry	25.6	24.1	24.3
Services	43.5	43.1	42.8

(a) Data exclude Northern Province

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TOURISM

		2013 * Jan	2012 Jan	% change
Tourist Arrivals		97,411	85,874	13.4
Earnings from Tourism	US$ mn	107.2	88.9	20.5
	Rs mn	13,592.6	10,124.8	34.3

* Provincial

GDP by Industrial Origin at Constant (2002) Prices

Growth rate	2012* 4th Quarter	2011 4th Quarter	2012 Annual
Agriculture	-0.1	2.4	5.8
Industry	13.4	10.0	10.3
Services	3.7	8.5	4.6
GDP	6.3	8.3	6.4

*Provisional Source: Department of Census and Statistics

COMMERCIAL PAPER ISSUES (1)

2012	2012 End Nov*	2011 End Oct	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 Specialised Banks.

NARAHENPITA ECONOMIC CENTRE (Rs/Kg)

Retail Prices

Item	Average 04.04.13	Week Ago
Rice		
Samba	68.00	68.00
Kekulu (Red)	56.00	55.00
Beans	60.00	100.00
Cabbage	100.00	100.00
Carrots	140.00	100.00
Tomatoes	180.00	110.00
Pumpkins	80.00	90.00
Snakegourd	80.00	80.00
Brinjals	50.00	90.00
Ash-Plantains	100.00	85.00
Red-Onions (Imported)	n.a.	120.00
Big-Onions (Imported)	70.00	80.00
Potatoes (Imported)	70.00	60.00
Dried Chillies (Imported)	190.00	210.00
Dhal (Indian)	140.00	140.00
Eggs (Red) (Each)	15.00	15.00
Coconut (Each)	40.00	40.00
Fish		
Kelawalla	620.00	590.00
Balaya	290.00	490.00
Salaya	180.00	180.00
Paraw (Small)	780.00	890.00

AVERAGE CRUDE OIL PRICES

Month	2012 Spot prices Brent (New York closing price) (US $/bbl)	2012 WTI (European Market) (US $/bbl)	2012 CPC Import Prices (C&F) (US $/bbl(*)	2013 Spot prices Brent (New York closing price) (US $/bbl)	2013 WTI (European Market) (US $/bbl)	2013 CPC Import Prices (C&F) (US$/bbl)(*)
January	111.34	98.46	115.62	113.95	94.76	111.22
February	120.05	102.36	119.86	117.39	95.32	109.14
March	126.67	106.16	119.86	109.63	92.94	
April	120.77	103.32	121.21			
May	110.93	94.49	110.73			
June	95.60	82.30	96.60			
July	103.20	87.86	-			
August	114.11	94.16	112.25			
September	113.16	94.64	-			
October	112.37	89.49	-			
November	110.13	86.53	111.84			
December	110.72	87.86	114.25			
28 March	125.26	105.40		109.61	97.24	
01 April	-	-		109.92	97.10	
02 April	125.29	105.25		110.82	97.23	
03 April	126.51	104.02		108.92	95.02	
04 April	123.89	101.53		106.25	93.26	

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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