



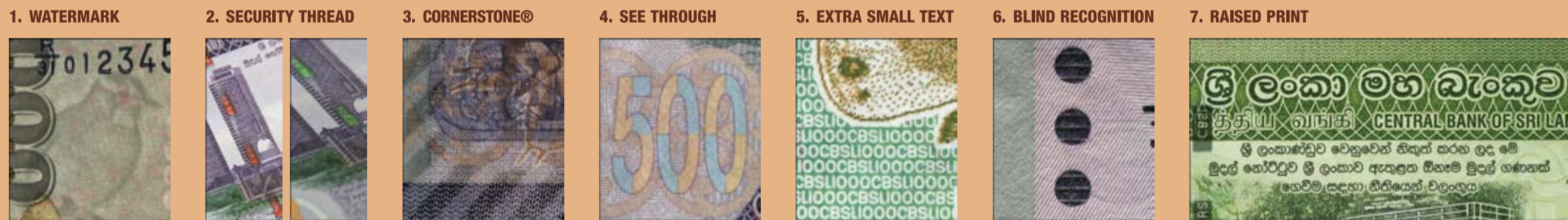
Central Bank of Sri Lanka NEW CURRENCY NOTE SERIES

SCHEDULED TO BE ISSUED ON 4th FEBRUARY, 2011

The new currency note series features the theme of Development, Prosperity and Sri Lanka Dancers, together with birds and butterflies seen in Sri Lanka.



The currency notes have the following features:



1. WATERMARK
Each currency note depicts a different bird as the watermark, which is the same bird portrayed on the note. In addition, the value in numerals appears vertically as a highlighted watermark.

2. SECURITY THREAD
The security threads are different for each denomination, and have the letters "CBSL" and the value. e.g.: Rs.20, Rs.100.
The width of the windowed Starchrome® thread which changes colour from red to green in Rs.5000, Rs.1000 and Rs.500 are 3mm, 2.5mm and 2mm, respectively.
The thread in Rs.100, Rs.50 and Rs.20 is embedded in the currency note.

3. CORNERSTONE®
Cornerstone® watermark appears in the form of diagonal bars at each corner of every currency note.

4. SEE THROUGH
When the note is held up to the light, the numeral value of the note on the front comes together in perfect register with the reverse on the back of the note.

5. EXTRA SMALL TEXT
When viewed closely, an area of text reading "CBSL" and the numeral value can be seen.

6. BLIND RECOGNITION FEATURE
A vertical order of heavily printed dots (with one dot for Rs.20 currency note) progressing according to denomination appears on the left hand side of the currency note to help the visually impaired to recognise the denomination.

7. RAISED PRINT
Run fingertips across the note and feel the raised printed areas. (e.g.: the Central Bank title, tactile bars, central images etc.).

NOTE: The currency notes that have been issued by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka and are in circulation will continue to be valid for the payment of any amount.