

Feel the paper

It should be crisp but not waxy or shiny.

Feel the raised print

Feel the rough print texture at the left and right hand centre edges in the obverse.

Look for the watermark

The watermark comes into view once held up to the light.

Check the thread

Thread appears as solid lines when held up to the light.

Look for the Iridescent Band

A vertical gold band printed on the back of the banknote.

Check the see through feature

Incorporation of a front to back see through feature in exact registration.

Look for the key security features described in this leaflet. Do not rely on just one single feature. If you are in doubt, compare the note with one that you know is genuine.

If you have a note, which you believe is counterfeit, take it to the police at once. It is a criminal offence to hold or pass on a note, which you know is counterfeit.

**THE NEW
Rs.2000
BANKNOTE**

**CENTRAL BANK
OF SRI LANKA**



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What Security Features to Look for :

1. FEEL OF THE PAPER

Run your fingers over the note for the familiar feel of banknote paper and to find the places where the ink is thicker. Placed in the centre of the left and right hand side margins of the note is a feature for the visually impaired that can be rubbed for texture feel.



2. WATERMARK

An image of the Heraldic Lion in the National Flag of Sri Lanka with highlighted sword appears on both sides once held up to the light in a panel clear of printing.



3. SECURITY THREAD

The new banknote has a 4.0 mm. wide security thread called "Starchrome"™ with 'windows' on the front of the bank note, the colour of which changes from red to green when you tilt the banknote up and down with Cleartext® showing Rs.2000, butterfly motif and SRI LANKA.



THE NEW NOTE

The Central Bank of Sri Lanka is launching a new high value Rs.2000 banknote. The front of this Heritage series note depicts an image of the 'Sigiriya Rock' in the middle and a 'Sesatha' in the right. The back of the note depicts a 'Sigiriya Fresco' an image of a fair damsel holding a flower in her hand, a masterpiece of beautiful paintings on the Rock surface. 'Sigiriya' is a fortified city and palace built by King Kashyapa (477 - 495 AD) an icon of world heritage.

The note is identified by a serial prefix consisting of the letter "P" and a serial number appearing vertically in black in the top right hand corner and horizontally in red in bottom left hand corner. Serial numbers have asymmetrical fonts, a novel numbering feature. The note dated 2005-11-02 measures 164 x 82mm and is predominantly lighter rose and brown in colour.



4. IRIDESCENT BAND

A vertical gold band is printed lengthwise on the back of the banknote.



5. CORNERSTONE™

Specific watermark feature can be seen as diagonal bars at four corners of the banknote when this is held up to the light.



6. SEE THROUGH FEATURE

The see through feature is a small flower shaped pattern that registers exactly on the front and back of the note, thus enabling people to see it from both sides in the same position.



7. MICRO-LETTERING

Very small text is on the front and back of the banknote. The front micro-letting area is in the top right hand section and on the back of the note, the text is located at the top and bottom of the central image. This text is not always visible to the naked human eye but can be seen through a magnifying glass.

