Monetary Policy Review at a Glance

September 2025

What did we decide?

We have kept the Overnight Policy Rate ***unchanged***

7.75%

What is going on in the economy?



- Our economy grew by 4.8% in the first half of 2025
- Lending to the private sector has increased, supported by low interest rates and stronger economic activity
- Tourism and workers' remittances remained strong amid a widened trade deficit
- Gross official reserves were maintained at USD 6.2 bn by end-August, even after debt repayments
- The Sri Lanka rupee stayed broadly stable
- All three major rating agencies upgraded sovereign ratings, confirming improved confidence

What does the future hold for the economy?

- The economy is on track to achieve a 4.5% growth in 2025
- Inflation is expected to gradually increase to reach the 5% target by mid-2026
- We are closely watching domestic and global developments and will take action if needed to keep inflation stable around the target while supporting growth



75 YEARS
STABILITY FOR PROSPERITY
1950-2025