

## Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

# Sri Lanka Development Bonds



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Public Debt Department Central Bank of Sri Lanka

#### SRI LANKA DEVELOPMENT BONDS

The Sri Lanka Development Bonds (SLDBs) are a debt instrument denominated in US Dollars issued by the Government of Sri Lanka in terms of the Foreign Loans Act, No.29 of 1957.

Repayment is guaranteed by the Government of Sri Lanka.

### **Eligibility**

The following categories of investors are eligible to purchase SLDBs.

- (a) Citizens of foreign states irrespective of their residential status through the Inward Investment Accounts (IIAs).
- (b) Citizens of Sri Lanka who are residents outside Sri Lanka through IIAs.
- (c) Holders of Personal Foreign Currency Accounts, Business Foreign Currency Accounts, or Offshore Banking Unit Accounts.
- (d) Companies incorporated outside Sri Lanka or Partnerships registered outside Sri Lanka through IIAs.
- (e) Country funds, Regional Funds, Mutual Funds, Unit Trusts, and Institutional investors established outside Sri Lanka through IIAs.
- (f) Licensed Commercial Banks appointed as Authorized Dealers (ADs) by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka.
- (g) Licensed Specialized Banks and Licensed Finance Companies, which have been permitted to accept deposits in foreign currency.

The SLDBs are not sold in the USA or to persons residing in the USA.

#### Salient Features of SLDBs

### **Amount Offered and Maturity Period**

US Dollars 30 million (possible upsizing by another US Dollars 80 million) of nine (9) months, one (1) year eight (8) months, two (2) years nine (9) months and five (5) years.

#### **Denominations**

These bonds are denominated in US Dollars. The minimum investment at the auction shall be US Dollars 10,000. Denominations are available in multiples of US Dollars 10,000. In the secondary market the minimum investment shall be US Dollars 10,000.

## Interest Payments & Principal Repayment

Interest is paid to the holders in every six (6) months from the date of issue. Calculation of interest payments will be based on a fixed margin determined through competitive bidding at the auction.

Fixed rate arrangement is available for all maturities.

Principal repayment is made at the end of the maturity period.

Principal and interest on SLDBs are fully repatriable.

## **Paying Agent**

Bank of Ceylon, Colombo, Sri Lanka is the Paying Agent appointed by the Superintendent of Public Debt (SPD) to make payment of interest and repayment of principal to the holders of SLDBs.

#### **Transfer**

The SLDBs are transferable by endorsement, delivery and registration on an application made to the SPD. Application forms for transfers can be obtained through Designated Agents.

### **Joint Holders**

SLDBs may be held jointly by two holders. Repayment of principal and payments of interest are made to the person whose name appears first on the SLDB and to the surviving holder whose name appears next on the SLDB in the event of death of the first holder.

### Nominee & Custodian

A holder can nominate a nominee as an alternative holder of the Bond in the event of a death of both Registered Holder and the Joint Holder.

A holder can appoint a custodian with the approval of the SPD to hold SLDBs on behalf of the holder.

#### **Tax Treatment**

Subject to the applicable tax laws in Sri Lanka.

## **Designated Agents**

| Name                             | Telephone       |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Acuity Securities Ltd.           | 94-11-2206297   |
| Bank of Ceylon                   | 94-11-2448830   |
| Capital Alliance Ltd.            | 94-11-2317777   |
| Cargills Bank Ltd.               | 94-11-7640000   |
| Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC    | 94-11-2330406   |
| Deutsche Bank AG, Colombo Branch | 94-11-2447062   |
| DFCC Bank PLC                    | 94-11-2442442   |
| First Capital Treasuries PLC     | 94-11-2639898   |
| Habib Bank Ltd                   | 94-11-2370390   |
| Hatton National Bank PLC         | 94-11-2664664   |
| Indian Bank                      | 94-11-2447163   |
| Indian Overseas Bank             | 94-11-5324422   |
| MCB Bank Ltd                     | 94-11-2448765   |
| National Development Bank PLC    | 94-11-2448448   |
| Nations Trust Bank PLC           | 94-11-4711411   |
| NSB Fund Management Co. Ltd      | 94-11-2425010   |
| Pan Asia Banking Corporation PLC | 94-11-4667702   |
| People's Bank                    | 94-11-2206783   |
| Public Bank Berhad               | 94-11-2576289   |
| Sampath Bank PLC                 | 94-11-2305841-2 |
| Seylan Bank PLC                  | 94-11-2456337   |
| Standard Chartered Bank          | 94-11-2480000   |
| State Bank of India              | 94-11-2326133   |
| Union Bank of Colombo PLC        | 94-11-2374100   |
| Wealth Trust Securities Ltd      | 94-11-2675091-4 |

## Collecting Interest and Maturity Proceeds

An investor can make arrangements to collect interest payments and principal repayments in a manner flexible to him/her by a US Dollar cheque drawn in his/her favour or to a US Dollar account in accordance with his/her duly intimated instructions.

#### Information

The investors can obtain further information on SLDBs from the SPD or from Designated Agents.

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