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CENTRAL BANK OF SRI LANKA

25 August 2022

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To: Chief Executive Officers of All Licensed Commercial Banks and National Savings Bank

Amendments to the Operating Instructions on "Repatriation of Export Proceeds into Sri Lanka"


All Licensed Commercial Banks and National Savings Bank (Licensed Banks / LBs) are hereby informed that the Operating Instructions (OIs) issued by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL) on the above are amended, to effect the requirement of mandatory foreign exchange sale of converted receipts/proceeds in relation to the service exports to the CBSL, following the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2292/50 dated 12.08.2022, which terminated mandatory requirement of the conversion of service export receipts/proceeds with effect from 12.08.2022 (Annexure I).

Accordingly, the CBSL hereby requests all LBs to sell **twenty-five per centum (25%)** of the service export receipts/proceeds converted into Sri Lanka rupees (LKR) to the CBSL, with effect from 12.08.2022.

Further, all LBs are required to continue selling of **twenty-five per centum (25%)** of residual of export proceeds of goods, which are mandatorily converted into LKR, to the CBSL.

All other requirements specified in previously issued OIs on the above scheme shall remain unchanged.

For further information or clarifications, you may contact the International Operations Department of the CBSL on 0112398707, 0112398711 or 0112398715.


Dr. P Nandalal Weerasinghe
Governor
Central Bank of Sri Lanka



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PART I : SECTION (I) — GENERAL

Central Bank of Sri Lanka Notices

MONETARY LAW ACT, No. 58 OF 1949

RULES made under Section 10 (c) read with Section 68 of the Monetary Law Act, No. 58 of 1949

P. NANDALAL WEERASINGHE,
Chairman of the Monetary Board and
Governor of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka.

Central Bank of Sri Lanka.
Colombo,
12th August, 2022

REPATRIATION OF EXPORT PROCEEDS INTO SRI LANKA

1. These Rules shall be cited as “Repatriation of Export Proceeds into Sri Lanka Rules No. 2 of 2022”.
2. The Repatriation of Export Proceeds into Sri Lanka Rules No. 1 of 2022 issued by the Monetary Board of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka and published in the *Gazette (Extraordinary)* Notification No. 2270/66 dated 11th March 2022, are hereby amended by the repeal of Rule 4 thereof and the substitution therefor, of the following new Rule.



“4. Every exporter of goods, who receives export proceeds in Sri Lanka, in terms of Rule 3 above, shall mandatorily convert residual of the export proceeds received in Sri Lanka, into Sri Lanka Rupees upon utilizing such proceeds only in respect of the below mentioned **authorized payments**, on or before the seventh (7th) day of the following month,

- i. outward remittances for current transactions related to the particular export of goods including one-month commitments therein;
- ii. withdrawal in foreign currency notes or transfer of funds for travel purposes related to export of goods;
- iii. debt servicing expenses and repayment of foreign currency loans and accommodations obtained by the exporter of goods, where such foreign currency loan and accommodation is a permitted borrowing in terms of the Regulations, Orders and Directions issued by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka under the provisions of the Foreign Exchange Act, No. 12 of 2017 or the Banking Act, No. 30 of 1988, as amended, including one-month loan commitments;
- iv. payments of dividends declared to non-resident investors and/ or payments of salaries to expatriate employees who are foreign nationals or dual citizens as permitted under the provisions of the Foreign Exchange Act, No. 12 of 2017;
- v. payments in respect of making investments in Sri Lanka Development Bonds in foreign currency up to ten per-centum (10%) of the export proceeds, so received; and
- vi. payments to local suppliers who are permitted to receive payments in foreign currency in terms of the Directions issued by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka under the provisions of the Foreign Exchange Act, No. 12 of 2017 for the purchases related to the particular export of goods.

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