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# Press Release

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## Measures Adopted by Central Bank of Sri Lanka during the Public Holiday Period Announced by the Government

The Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL) wishes to inform that the following measures have been adopted by CBSL during the public holiday period announced by the Government.

### REAL TIME GROSS SETTLEMENT OPERATIONS

The Real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS) operations will be continued as usual.

### BANKING SECTOR OPERATIONS

Banks have been advised to continue their operations while taking all the precautionary measures to mitigate the risk of spreading covid-19 virus, including encouraging public to conduct more on line transactions.

### EMPLOYEES PROVIDENT FUND (EPF) ACTIVITIES

Public Services offered by EPF Department will be curtailed during 17th to 20 March 2020. Accordingly, the public is advised to refrain or minimize visiting the EPF Office in Colombo. However, in the event of an urgent necessity, the EPF has placed drop- boxes outside the Lloyds Building, Sir Baron Jayathilake Mawatha, Colombo 1, to facilitate the public to submit their documents to the EPF Department.

Further, you may contact the following for any urgent queries on EPF matters :-

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