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CENTRAL BANK OF SRI LANKA

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## The Central Bank of Sri Lanka issues Circulation Standard Commemorative coin to mark its 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

The Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL) commenced operations in August 1950 and completed 70 years of its unique and valued contribution to the prosperity of Sri Lanka. To mark its 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, CBSL issued an uncirculated commemorative coin (Aluminum Bronze) in the denomination of Rupees 20 on 31 December 2020. Concurrently to the above, CBSL has also decided to issue a circulation standard commemorative coin (Nickle pated Steel) in the denomination of Rupees 20 with the same design of the above uncirculated commemorative coin. Detailed description and specification of the coin is given below.

Obverse	Reverse
	
The obverse of the coin depicts the image of the Head Office building of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka with “70” in large numerals appearing at the center of the coin. Words “Central Bank of Sri Lanka” in Tamil, Sinhala and English appear along the periphery. The years 1950-2020 are indicated at the bottom edge of the coin.	The reverse of the coin depicts the face value “20” in large numerals with the words “Twenty Rupees” in Sinhala, Tamil and English and Year “2020” just below the words. “Sri Lanka” appears along the periphery on the upper edge of the coin in Tamil, Sinhala, and English.

### Details and Specifications

<b>Year on Coin</b>	2020	<b>Mintage</b>	5,000,000 pieces
<b>Metal</b>	Nickle pated Steel	<b>Shape</b>	Seven Lobed
<b>Coin Type</b>	Circulation	<b>Edge</b>	Plain
<b>Diameter</b>	28 mm	<b>Thickness</b>	2 mm

The first coin was officially presented to His Excellency Gotabaya Rajapaksa, the President of Sri Lanka by Deshamanya Prof. W D Lakshman, Governor of CBSL at the Presidential Secretariat on 24.02.2021.



The coin will be issued into circulation on 03.03.2021 through the Licensed Commercial Banks and can be used for payments along with existing other currency notes and coins in circulation.

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