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CENTRAL BANK OF SRI LANKA

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The Central Bank of Sri Lanka issues a Coin to mark the 75th Independence Celebration of Sri Lanka

The Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL) issued an uncirculated commemorative coin in the denomination of Rupees 1000 to mark the 75th Independence Day Celebration in the country, which falls on 04.02.2023. This is the 71st commemorative coin that was issued by the Central Bank. The detailed description and specifications of the coin are given below.

Obverse	Reverse
<p>The coin depicts the Number “75” in large numerals with the image of holding the Sri Lankan flag at the center of the coin. Words “Independence Celebration” in English, Sinhala and Tamil appear along the periphery on the upper edge of the coin. The years “1948 – 2023” appear along the periphery on the bottom edge of the coin.</p>	<p>The coin depicts the face value “1000” in large numerals at the center. Words “Rupees” in Sinhala, Tamil and English appear below the face value and the national emblem of Sri Lanka appears above the face value. The year “2023” is at the bottom edge of the coin. Words “Sri Lanka” in English, Sinhala, and Tamil appears along the periphery on the upper edge of the coin</p>

Details and Specifications

Year on Coin	2023	Mintage	2,500 pieces
Metal	Copper - Nickel	Shape	Round
Coin Type	Uncirculated Commemorative	Finish	Frosted Proof, with colours
Diameter	38.61 mm	Weight	28.28 g

The first coin was officially presented to Hon. Ranil Wickremesinghe, the President of Sri Lanka by Dr. P. Nandalal Weerasinghe, Governor of CBSL at the President’s House at Kandy, today.



The coin will be issued in an attractive presentation box with a certificate of authenticity. A limited number of coins are available for purchase from March 2023 and coins will be sold through the CBSL Sales Counters at the Economic History Museum, Central Point Building, No. 54, Chatham Street, Colombo 01, and CBSL Regional Offices in Anuradhapura, Matale, Matara, Trincomalee, Kilinochchi, and Nuwara Eliya. The public will be notified of the selling price of the coin and date of availability for sale in due course.

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