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The Central Bank of Sri Lanka launches the Web Portal of the Regional Development Department

The Central Bank of Sri Lanka Launched the dedicated Web Portal of the Regional Development Department (RDD Web Portal) on 04.08.2023, signifying its strategic orientation towards financial inclusion initiatives.



[From Left to Right: Mr. J P R Karunaratne, Assistant Governor; Mrs. T M J Y P Fernando, Senior Deputy Governor; Dr. P Nandalal Weerasinghe, Governor; Mr. Alejandro Alvarez de la Campa, Country Manager - Sri Lanka & Maldives, International Finance Corporation (IFC); Mrs. K M A N Daulagala, Deputy Governor; Mrs. R Arandara, IFC; and Mr. M S K Dharmawardane, Director of Regional Development)

RDD Web Portal was developed with the financial assistance of the International Finance Corporation (IFC), a longstanding partner of the Central Bank, in promoting financial inclusion since 2018. This latest initiative is part of the overall National Financial Inclusion Strategy (NFIS) for Sri Lanka – in which, IFC played a significant role to make financial services more accessible, efficient, and affordable for all households and businesses in the country.

The Central Bank under its new legislation is now vested with the responsibility of promoting financial inclusion, hence launching of the Web Portal marks an important step towards promoting financial inclusiveness in the country and is expected to facilitate all stakeholders of the country through dissemination of information on the financial inclusion efforts of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka.

RDD Web Portal provides an interactive experience to its users with a user-friendly interface and equipped with financial literacy materials and tools i.e. publications, Training-of-Trainers (ToT) modules, quizzes and games to enhance financial knowledge, attitude, and behavior of users supporting to make informed and rational financial decisions.

This portal is expected to act as a shared platform for all stakeholders to access information and collaborate in their financial literacy initiatives. This will complement the upcoming Financial Literacy Roadmap for Sri Lanka, to be implemented from 2024.

Access to the Web Portal is available at https://www.rdd.cbsl.lk/