CENTRAL BANK OF CEYLON



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE MONETARY BOARD
TO THE MINISTER OF FINANCE

FOR THE YEAR

1976

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MR. FELIX R. D. BANDARANAIKE, M.P., MINISTER OF FINANCE, COLOMBO.

Dear Sir,

In accordance with the provisions of Section 35(1) of the Monetary Law Act (Cap. 422), I submit herewith the Twenty-seventh Annual Report of the Monetary Board of the Central Bank of Ceylon covering the Bank's operations during the year 1976.

With the passage of time, the Annual Reports of the Monetary Board have expanded their coverage beyond the requirements of the law by presenting a detailed review of economic trends and developments in the various sectors of the Sri Lanka economy. In respect of the Reports for 1975 and thereafter, it was decided to publish this Review as a separate Report and issue it annually under the title "Review of the Economy". Accordingly, a detailed review of economic trends and developments in the various sectors of the Sri Lanka economy for 1976 will be published in the course of next month under the title "Review of the Economy".

I am, dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

H. E. TENNEKOON.

Governor

Central Bank of Ceylon, Colombo. 30th April, 1977.



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THE MONETARY BOARD

(As at December 31, 1976)

H. E. TENNEKOON

Governor

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L. R. JAYAWARDENA

Secretary to the Ministry of Finance

H. A. DE S. GUNASEKERA

Secretary to the Ministry of Planning and Economic Affairs

M. RAJENDRA
Appointed Member

Principal Officers as at December 31, 1976

GAMANI COREA	on release) Deputy Governor
W. M. TILAKARATNA	Deputy Governor
W. RASAPUTRAM	on release) Deputy Governor
H. L. D. SELVARATNAM	Deputy Governor
E. Eramudugolla	
K. KANAGASABAPATHY	Assistant to the Governor
D. R. SIRIWARDENA	
J. G. P. JAYASUNDERA	Adviser
Banking and Currency Department:	
A. BANDARANAYAKE	
Bank Supervision Department:	-
V. S. Subramaniam	Director
Development Finance Department:	
V. K. WICKREMASINGHE	Director
Economic Research Department:	
H. N. S. KARUNATILAKE	
K. S. E. JAYATILLAKE	Additional Director
Employees' Provident Fund Department:	
A. G. A. D. Perera	Superintendent
Establishments Department:	
T. G. Punchiappuhamy	Director
Exchange Control Department:	
P. C. Munasinghe	Controller
Internal Audit Department:	
T. CHATCHITHANANTHAM	Internal Auditor
Public Debt Department:	
N. KATHIRGAMATAMBY	Superintendent
Secretariat:	
A. S. JAYAWARDENA	Secretary

Auditor

P. M. W. WIJAYASURIYA

Auditor General to the Republic of Sri Lanka.

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PREFACE

THIS, THE TWENTY SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MONETARY BOARD OF THE CENTRAL BANK OF CEYLON, IS ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 35 OF THE MONETARY LAW ACT (CAP. 422).

THE BANK'S FINANCIAL YEAR IS THE CALENDAR YEAR. THE FOLLOWING REPORT IS CONCERNED PRIMARILY WITH THE YEAR 1976.

A DETAILED ANALYSIS OF THE ECONOMIC TRENDS AND DEVELOPMENTS IN THE SRI LANKA ECONOMY DURING 1976 WILL BE PRESENTED IN A SEPARATE "REVIEW OF THE ECONOMY".