

# MONTHLY ECONOMIC INDICATORS



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## SUMMARY OF SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS

### March 2026

| Item   | Period                  | Unit        | 2024 <sup>(a)</sup>       | 2025 <sup>(b)</sup>       | Y-o-Y Change    |
|--|-------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Real Sector</b>   |                         |             |                           |                           |                 |
| Gross Domestic Products (GDP)                              | 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter | Rs. Mn      | 3,256,900                 | 3,414,142                 |                 |
| GDP Growth   | 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter | %           | 5.5                       | 4.8                       |                 |
|  |                         |             | <b>2025<sup>(b)</sup></b> | <b>2026<sup>(b)</sup></b> |                 |
| Tea  | February                | Mn. kg      | 15.6                      | 18.0                      | 15.2            |
| Rubber   | February                | Mn. kg      | 7.4                       | 4.9                       | (33.6)          |
|  |                         |             | <b>2024<sup>(b)</sup></b> | <b>2025<sup>(b)</sup></b> |                 |
| Coconut  | December                | Mn. Nuts    | 170.1                     | 254.5                     | 49.6            |
|  |                         |             | <b>2025<sup>(a)</sup></b> | <b>2026<sup>(b)</sup></b> |                 |
| Marine Fish Production                                     | February                | Mn. kg      | 31.8                      | 22.3                      | (29.6)          |
|  |                         |             | <b>2023/2024</b>          | <b>2024/2025</b>          |                 |
| Paddy  | Maha <sup>(c)</sup>     | Mn. kg      | 2,722.0                   | 2,745.3                   | 0.9             |
|  | Yala <sup>(d)</sup>     | Mn. kg      | 1,976.5                   | 2,308.4                   | 16.8            |
|  |                         |             | <b>2025<sup>(a)</sup></b> | <b>2026<sup>(b)</sup></b> |                 |
| Index of Industrial Production                             | February                | 2015 = 100  | 93.4                      | 97.3                      | 4.1             |
| Electricity Generation                                     | January                 | GWh         | 1,400                     | 1,448                     | 3.4             |
| NCPI (Year-On-Year % Change)                               | March                   | 2021 = 100  | (1.9)                     | 2.4                       |                 |
| CCPI (Year-On-Year % Change)                               | March                   | 2021 = 100  | (2.6)                     | 2.2                       |                 |
| <b>Fiscal Sector</b>                                       |                         |             |                           |                           |                 |
|  |                         |             | <b>2025</b>               | <b>2026<sup>(b)</sup></b> |                 |
| Revenue and Grants   | January                 | Rs. Mn.     | 346,581                   | 468,746                   | 35.2            |
| Recurrent Expenditure                                      | January                 | Rs. Mn.     | 424,507                   | 429,413                   | 1.2             |
| <b>Monetary Sector</b>                                     |                         |             |                           |                           |                 |
|  |                         |             | <b>2025</b>               | <b>2026<sup>(b)</sup></b> |                 |
| Money Supply   |                         |             |                           |                           |                 |
| Narrow Money M <sub>1</sub>                                | End February            | Rs. Mn.     | 1,938.3                   | 2,319.6                   | 19.7            |
| Broad Money M <sub>2</sub>                                 | End February            | Rs. Mn.     | 12,825.9                  | 14,375.8                  | 12.1            |
| Consolidated Broad Money (M <sub>2b</sub> ) <sup>(e)</sup> | End February            | Rs. Mn.     | 14,543.8                  | 16,276.3                  | 11.9            |
| Broad Money M <sub>4</sub>                                 | End February            | Rs. Mn.     | 17,521.7                  | 19,544.2                  | 11.5            |
| Share Market   |                         |             |                           |                           |                 |
| ASPI   | End March               | 1985 = 100  | 15,814.82                 | 21,066.18                 | 33.2            |
| S&P SL20   | End March               | 2004 = 1000 | 4,734.72                  | 5,904.10                  | 24.7            |
| Market Capitalisation                                      | End March               | Rs. Bn.     | 5,606.37                  | 7,522.00                  | 34.2            |
| <b>External Sector</b>                                     |                         |             |                           |                           |                 |
|  |                         |             | <b>2025</b>               | <b>2026<sup>(b)</sup></b> |                 |
| External Trade   |                         |             |                           |                           |                 |
| Exports  | February                | US\$ Mn.    | 1,053                     | 1,058                     | 0.5             |
| Imports  | February                | US\$ Mn.    | 1,464                     | 1,834                     | 25.2            |
| Balance of Trade   | February                | US\$ Mn.    | (411)                     | (776)                     |                 |
| Balance of Payments  |                         |             | <b>2024</b>               | <b>2025<sup>(b)</sup></b> |                 |
| Trade Account  | January - December      | US\$ Mn.    | (2,635)                   | (4,191)                   | (59.1)          |
| Current Account  | January - December      | US\$ Mn.    | 1,207                     | 1,719                     | 42.4            |
| Current & Capital Accounts                                 | January - December      | US\$ Mn.    | 1,219                     | 1,712                     | 40.5            |
| Financial Account (net)                                    | January - December      | US\$ Mn.    | 965                       | 904                       | (6.3)           |
|  |                         |             | <b>2025</b>               | <b>2026</b>               | <b>2026</b>     |
|  |                         |             | <b>End</b>                | <b>End</b>                | <b>End</b>      |
|  |                         |             | <b>December</b>           | <b>January</b>            | <b>February</b> |
| Total Reserves <sup>(f)</sup>                              |                         | US\$ Mn.    | 12,306                    | 12,408                    | 12,970          |

(a) Revised

(b) Provisional

(c) Sep.\Oct. - Mar.\Apr.

(d) Apr.\May - Aug.\Sep.

(e) Inclusive of Offshore Banking Units

## 1. GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (GDP) AT CONSTANT (2015) PRICES

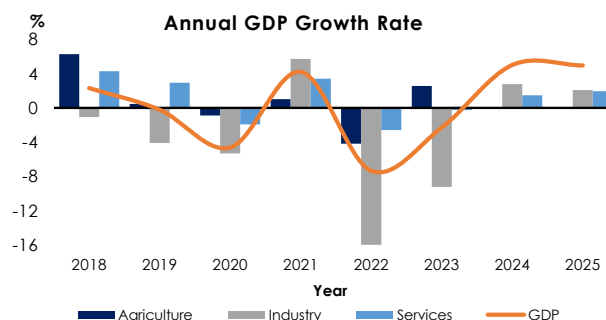
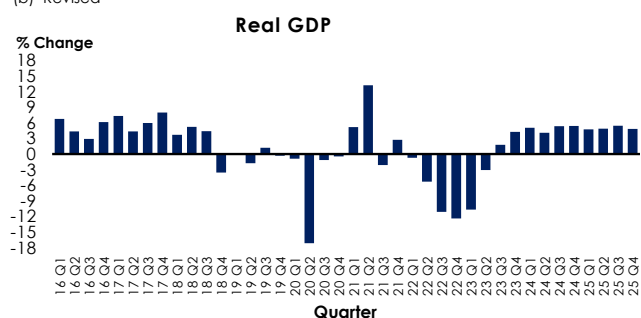
| Economic Activity                | 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter <sup>(a)</sup> |                  |                      |            |                            |            |
|----------------------------------|--|------------------|----------------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|
|                                  | Rs. Mn                                 |                  | Growth (%)           |            | Contribution to Growth (%) |            |
|                                  | 2024 <sup>(b)</sup>                    | 2025             | 24/23 <sup>(b)</sup> | 25/24      | 2024 <sup>(b)</sup>        | 2025       |
| Agriculture                      | 233,846                                | 238,854          | (2.8)                | 2.1        | (0.2)                      | 0.2        |
| Industry                         | 780,306                                | 837,540          | 13.1                 | 7.3        | 2.9                        | 1.8        |
| Services                         | 2,003,651                              | 2,065,067        | 2.8                  | 3.1        | 1.8                        | 1.9        |
| Taxes less subsidies on products | 239,097                                | 272,681          | 15.5                 | 14.0       | 1.0                        | 1.0        |
| <b>GDP</b>                       | <b>3,256,900</b>                       | <b>3,414,142</b> | <b>5.5</b>           | <b>4.8</b> | <b>5.5</b>                 | <b>4.8</b> |

| Economic Activity                | Annual <sup>(a)</sup> |                   |                      |            |                            |            |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|
|                                  | Rs. Mn                |                   | Growth (%)           |            | Contribution to Growth (%) |            |
|                                  | 2024 <sup>(b)</sup>   | 2025              | 24/23 <sup>(b)</sup> | 25/24      | 2024 <sup>(b)</sup>        | 2025       |
| Agriculture                      | 916,971               | 929,668           | 0.6                  | 1.4        | 0.0                        | 0.1        |
| Industry                         | 3,337,231             | 3,597,326         | 11.1                 | 7.8        | 2.8                        | 2.1        |
| Services                         | 7,431,130             | 7,676,443         | 2.4                  | 3.3        | 1.5                        | 2.0        |
| Taxes less subsidies on products | 823,623               | 925,140           | 10.9                 | 12.3       | 0.7                        | 0.8        |
| <b>GDP</b>                       | <b>12,508,954</b>     | <b>13,128,577</b> | <b>5.0</b>           | <b>5.0</b> | <b>5.0</b>                 | <b>5.0</b> |

(a) Provisional

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

(b) Revised



## 2. BUSINESS OUTLOOK SURVEY <sup>(a)</sup>

| Business Sentiment Index (BSI)     | 2023  |       |       | 2024  |       |       |       | 2025  |       |       |       | 2026  |  |
|------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|
|                                    | Q2    | Q3    | Q4    | Q1    | Q2    | Q3    | Q4    | Q1    | Q2    | Q3    | Q4    | Q1    |  |
| <b>Business Condition</b>          |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |  |
| Realised                           | 74    | 81    | 93    | 99    | 102   | 108   | 128   | 118   | 130   | 130   | 125   | -     |  |
| Expectation <sup>(b)</sup>         | (74)  | (84)  | (89)  | (80)  | (102) | (107) | (118) | (123) | (117) | (138) | (132) | (118) |  |
| <b>Profitability</b>               |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |  |
| Realised                           | 94    | 98    | 111   | 124   | 123   | 116   | 119   | 120   | 138   | 128   | 126   | -     |  |
| Expectation <sup>(b)</sup>         | (98)  | (108) | (105) | (101) | (120) | (129) | (123) | (136) | (128) | (152) | (133) | (128) |  |
| <b>Skilled Labour Availability</b> |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |  |
| Realised                           | 70    | 88    | 85    | 85    | 88    | 85    | 101   | 82    | 89    | 89    | 79    | -     |  |
| Expectation <sup>(b)</sup>         | (77)  | (72)  | (86)  | (83)  | (90)  | (97)  | (91)  | (105) | (83)  | (97)  | (92)  | (84)  |  |
| <b>Demand</b>                      |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |  |
| Realised                           | 108   | 108   | 137   | 132   | 120   | 136   | 132   | 133   | 143   | 140   | 152   | -     |  |
| Expectation <sup>(b)</sup>         | (123) | (131) | (138) | (128) | (133) | (151) | (137) | (132) | (141) | (160) | (142) | (138) |  |
| <b>Sales Value</b>                 |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |  |
| Realised                           | 114   | 107   | 128   | 141   | 124   | 138   | 126   | 132   | 138   | 145   | 149   | -     |  |
| Expectation <sup>(b)</sup>         | (131) | (131) | (137) | (127) | (137) | (148) | (137) | (136) | (136) | (136) | (146) | (145) |  |
| <b>Capacity Utilization</b>        |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |  |
| Realised                           | 103   | 114   | 125   | 125   | 124   | 122   | 127   | 133   | 137   | 135   | 142   | -     |  |
| Expectation <sup>(b)</sup>         | (110) | (108) | (119) | (127) | (124) | (137) | (130) | (127) | (136) | (152) | (137) | (140) |  |

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(a) Respondents were asked to rate their business sentiments compared to the relevant quarter of the previous year.

(b) Expectations of respondents for the relevant quarter given during the preceding quarter.

### 3. AGRICULTURE

| Item  | Unit     | 2025 <sup>(a)</sup> | 2026 <sup>(a)</sup> | Y-o-Y Change (%) |
|---|----------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| <b>Tea Production</b>                       | Mn. kg   |                     |                     |                  |
| February                                    |          | 15.6                | 18.0                | 15.2             |
| January - February                          |          | 37.1                | 38.7                | 4.3              |
| <b>Rubber Production</b>                    | Mn. kg   |                     |                     |                  |
| February                                    |          | 7.4                 | 4.9                 | (33.6)           |
| January - February                          |          | 13.1                | 10.9                | (17.1)           |
| <b>Coconut Production</b>                   | Mn. Nuts | 2024 <sup>(a)</sup> | 2025 <sup>(a)</sup> |                  |
| December                                    |          | 170.1               | 254.5               | 49.6             |
| January - December                          |          | 2,790.1             | 3,040.3             | 9.0              |
| <b>Marine Fish Production<sup>(b)</sup></b> | Mn. kg   | 2025 <sup>(a)</sup> | 2026 <sup>(a)</sup> |                  |
| February                                    |          | 31.8                | 22.3                | (29.6)           |
| January - February                          |          | 61.1                | 43.9                | (28.1)           |
| <b>Paddy Production</b>                     | Mn. kg   | 2023/2024           | 2024/2025           |                  |
| Maha <sup>(c)</sup>                         |          | 2,722.0             | 2,745.3             | 0.9              |
| Yala <sup>(d)</sup>                         |          | 1,976.5             | 2,308.4             | 16.8             |

(a) Provisional

(b) Only Marine fish production data is available

(c) Sep.\Oct. - Mar.\Apr.

(d) Apr. \ May - Aug.\Sep.

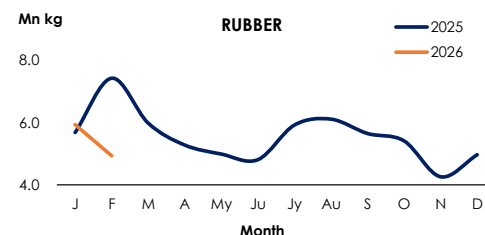
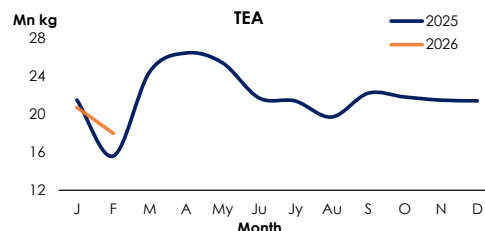
Sources: Sri Lanka Tea Board

Rubber Development Departm.

Coconut Development Authority

Department of Census & Statistics

Ministry of Fisheries



### 4. INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION (IIP) (2015=100)

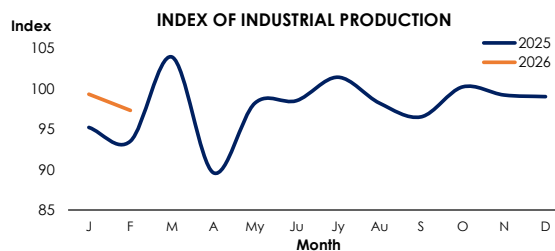
| Item  | February            |                     |                  |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|
|   | 2025 <sup>(a)</sup> | 2026 <sup>(b)</sup> | Y-o-Y Change (%) |
| Food products   | 97.3                | 102.3               | 5.2              |
| Beverages   | 111.7               | 110.6               | (1.0)            |
| Tobacco products  | 71.7                | 67.3                | (6.1)            |
| Textiles  | 94.7                | 93.2                | (1.6)            |
| Wearing apparels  | 86.6                | 102.4               | 18.3             |
| Leather and related products  | 99.8                | 116.8               | 17.0             |
| Wood and products of wood and cork except furniture; Articles of Straw and plaiting materials | 78.9                | 77.8                | (1.5)            |
| Paper and paper products  | 55.9                | 55.4                | (0.9)            |
| Printing and reproduction of recorded media   | 103.5               | 114.9               | 40.1             |
| Coke and refined petroleum products   | 95.1                | 94.5                | (0.6)            |
| Chemicals and chemical products   | 73.4                | 77.4                | 5.3              |
| Basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations                                 | 107.8               | 111.5               | 3.5              |
| Rubber and plastic products   | 88.0                | 68.6                | (22.0)           |
| Other non-metallic mineral products   | 112.8               | 108.2               | (4.1)            |
| Basic metals  | 115.2               | 104.7               | (9.1)            |
| Fabricated metal products (except machinery equipment)  | 73.1                | 90.7                | 23.9             |
| Electrical equipment  | 66.2                | 67.0                | 1.2              |
| Machinery and equipment (n.e.c)   | 135.7               | 99.3                | (26.8)           |
| Furniture   | 58.0                | 65.4                | 12.6             |
| Other manufacturing   | 57.9                | 67.7                | 16.9             |
| <b>Overall Index of Industrial Production for the Manufacturing Sector</b>                    | <b>93.4</b>         | <b>97.3</b>         | <b>4.1</b>       |

n.e.c. - not elsewhere classified

(a) Revised

(b) Provisional

Source: Department of Census and Statistics



## 5. PURCHASING MANAGERS' INDEX - MANUFACTURING

| Year | Jan  | Feb  | Mar  | Apr  | May  | Jun  | Jul  | Aug  | Sep  | Oct  | Nov  | Dec  |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 2023 | 40.8 | 42.3 | 51.4 | 34.7 | 46.2 | 47.3 | 44.6 | 49.3 | 45.7 | 49.5 | 57.0 | 52.7 |
| 2024 | 55.6 | 56.0 | 62.5 | 42.0 | 58.2 | 56.6 | 59.5 | 55.5 | 54.1 | 58.1 | 53.3 | 57.2 |
| 2025 | 59.0 | 56.8 | 63.9 | 40.1 | 55.5 | 51.9 | 62.2 | 55.2 | 55.4 | 61.0 | 55.5 | 60.9 |
| 2026 | 56.1 | 56.8 | 66.7 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

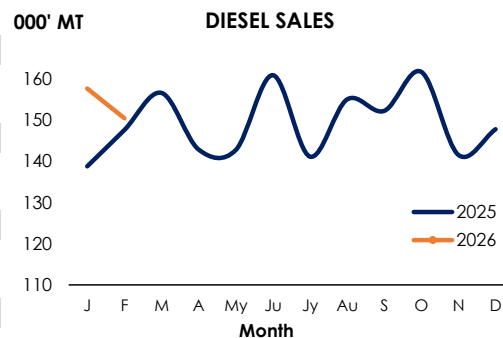
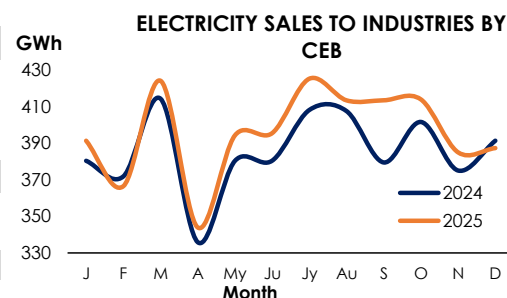
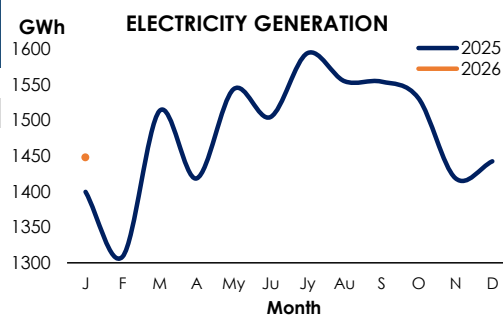
## 6. ENERGY

| Item  | Unit    | 2025 <sup>(a)</sup>       | 2026 <sup>(b)</sup>       | Y-o-Y Change (%) |
|---|---------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Electricity Generation<sup>(c)</sup></b> | GWh     |                           |                           |                  |
| <b>January</b>                              |         | <b>1,400</b>              | <b>1,448</b>              | <b>3.4</b>       |
| CEB - Hydro                                 |         | 531                       | 490                       | (7.9)            |
| Fuel Oil                                    |         | 125                       | 144                       | 15.3             |
| Coal  |         | 405                       | 376                       | (7.3)            |
| Wind  |         | 27                        | 20                        | (23.5)           |
| Private Sector                              |         | 312                       | 418                       | 34.2             |
| Non Conventional Renewable Energy           |         | 267                       | 290                       | 8.7              |
|   |         | <b>2024<sup>(a)</sup></b> | <b>2025<sup>(b)</sup></b> |                  |
| <b>Electricity Sales to Industries</b>      | GWh     |                           |                           |                  |
| December                                    |         | 391                       | 387                       | (1.0)            |
| January - December                          |         | 4,626                     | 4,753                     | 2.8              |
|   |         | <b>2025<sup>(a)</sup></b> | <b>2026<sup>(b)</sup></b> |                  |
| <b>Diesel Sales</b>                         | '000 MT |                           |                           |                  |
| February                                    |         | 148                       | 150                       | 1.9              |
| January - February                          |         | 286                       | 308                       | 7.6              |
| <b>Petrol Sales</b>                         | '000 MT |                           |                           |                  |
| February                                    |         | 113                       | 120                       | 6.4              |
| January - February                          |         | 231                       | 256                       | 10.8             |
| <b>Furnace Oil Sales</b>                    | '000 MT |                           |                           |                  |
| February                                    |         | 72                        | 60                        | (16.8)           |
| January - February                          |         | 120                       | 147                       | 22.4             |
| <b>Kerosene Sales</b>                       | '000 MT |                           |                           |                  |
| February                                    |         | 13                        | 12                        | (10.8)           |
| January - February                          |         | 26                        | 25                        | (2.8)            |
| <b>Crude Oil Imports</b>                    | '000 MT |                           |                           |                  |
| February                                    |         | 95                        | 189                       | 98.8             |
| January - February                          |         | 286                       | 285                       | (0.3)            |
| <b>Other Petroleum Imports</b>              | '000 MT |                           |                           |                  |
| February                                    |         | 274                       | 246                       | (10.5)           |
| January - February                          |         | 655                       | 485                       | (25.9)           |

(a) Revised

(b) Provisional

(c) Including rooftop solar generation



Sources: Ceylon Electricity Board, Ceylon Petroleum Corporation, Lanka IOC PLC, Sinopec Energy Lanka (Pvt) Ltd, RM Parks (Pvt) LTD, Sri Lanka Customs

## 7. PURCHASING MANAGERS' INDEX - CONSTRUCTION - TOTAL ACTIVITY INDEX <sup>(a)</sup>

| Year | Jan  | Feb  | Mar  | Apr  | May  | Jun  | Jul  | Aug  | Sep  | Oct  | Nov  | Dec  |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 2023 | 36.5 | 37.8 | 45.8 | 26.4 | 47.1 | 44.4 | 43.2 | 47.0 | 44.3 | 50.0 | 44.3 | 48.6 |
| 2024 | 52.9 | 57.1 | 55.9 | 31.9 | 54.5 | 59.5 | 62.9 | 51.4 | 48.6 | 54.3 | 51.4 | 51.4 |
| 2025 | 52.9 | 55.6 | 54.3 | 41.4 | 59.7 | 58.6 | 60.0 | 61.1 | 67.6 | 64.3 | 66.2 | 67.1 |
| 2026 | 75.0 | 70.3 | 57.1 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |

(a) As per the international best practices, headline PMIs for Services and Construction are Services Business Activity Index and Construction Total Activity Index, respectively, while for PMI - Manufacturing, it is a weighted average of five sub-indices. Further, Manufacturing Production Index, Services Business Activity Index and Construction Total Activity Index are the comparable figures of PMI.

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

## 8. HOUSING AND CONSTRUCTIONS

| Item  | Unit       | 2024        | 2025 <sup>(a)</sup>        | Y-o-Y Change (%) |
|---|------------|-------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Greater Colombo Housing Approvals Index <sup>(b)</sup></b> |            |             |                            |                  |
|   | 1995 = 100 |             |                            |                  |
| Quarter 1   |            | 59.8        | 70.3                       | 17.5             |
| Quarter 2   |            | 46.4        | 62.1                       | 34.0             |
| <b>Cement</b>   |            |             |                            |                  |
|   |            | <b>2025</b> | <b>2026 <sup>(a)</sup></b> |                  |
| Total Local Production  |            |             |                            |                  |
|   | '000 MT    |             |                            |                  |
| February  |            | 328         | 387                        | 17.7             |
| March   |            | 373         | 495                        | 32.9             |
| January - March   |            | 1,009       | 1,296                      | 28.4             |
| Total Imports   |            |             |                            |                  |
|   | '000 MT    |             |                            |                  |
| February  |            | 58          | 52                         | (10.6)           |
| March   |            | 80          | 87                         | 9.7              |
| January - March   |            | 218         | 180                        | (17.6)           |
| Total   |            |             |                            |                  |
|   | '000 MT    |             |                            |                  |
| February  |            | 387         | 439                        | 13.5             |
| March   |            | 452         | 582                        | 28.8             |
| January - March   |            | 1,228       | 1,476                      | 20.2             |

(a) Provisional

Sources: Five Municipal Councils (Colombo, Dehiwala-Mount Lavinia, Sri Jayawardanapura, Moratuwa and Kaduwela)

(b) Includes housing approvals by five Municipal Councils, seven Urban Councils and eight Pradeshiya Sabhas in Greater Colombo.

Seven Urban Councils (Wattala-Mabole, Peliyagoda, Panadura, Maharagama, Kesbewa, Horana and Boralesgamuwa)

Eight Pradeshiya Sabha (Homagama, Kotikawatta-Mulleriyawa, Kelaniya, Attanagalla, Wattala-Mabole, Horana, Panadura, Mahara)

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## 9. PROPERTY PRICE INDICES

| Item  | Unit                  | 2024             | 2025 <sup>(a)</sup> | Y-o-Y Change (%) |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|---|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Land Valuation Indicator <sup>(b)</sup></b>                    |                       |                  |                     |                  |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|   | First Half 2017 = 100 |                  |                     |                  |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| First Half  |                       | 230.1            | 256.4               | 11.4             |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Second Half   |                       | 236.8            | 261.9               | 10.6             |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| <b>Price Index for New Condominiums <sup>(c)</sup> 2019 = 100</b> |                       |                  |                     |                  |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| <b>Year</b>   | <b>Quarter 1</b>      | <b>Quarter 2</b> | <b>Quarter 3</b>    | <b>Quarter 4</b> |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| 2023  | 182.3                 | 184.5            | 200.1               | 205.9            |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| 2024  | 210.8                 | 240.9            | 235.7               | 238.4            |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| 2025  | 240.0                 | 271.8            | 265.7               | 270.1            |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| <b>Asking Price Indices <sup>(d)</sup> (2019 = 100)</b>           |                       |                  |                     |                  |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| <b>Lands</b>  |                       |                  |                     |                  |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Year  | Jan                   | Feb              | Mar                 | Apr              | May   | Jun   | Jul   | Aug   | Sep   | Oct   | Nov   | Dec   |
| 2023  | 118.2                 | 114.2            | 110.4               | 106.0            | 104.1 | 105.1 | 109.1 | 106.7 | 104.6 | 101.8 | 105.5 | 110.8 |
| 2024  | 119.6                 | 122.7            | 125.0               | 118.5            | 121.9 | 123.0 | 126.6 | 126.7 | 128.7 | 131.3 | 131.8 | 132.0 |
| 2025  | 132.9                 | 134.5            | 134.1               | 136.4            | 142.1 | 150.4 | 155.3 | 159.9 | 157.7 | 162.2 | 164.0 | 169.8 |
| <b>Houses</b>   |                       |                  |                     |                  |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Year  | Jan                   | Feb              | Mar                 | Apr              | May   | Jun   | Jul   | Aug   | Sep   | Oct   | Nov   | Dec   |
| 2023  | 157.1                 | 157.4            | 158.4               | 159.3            | 159.2 | 159.0 | 157.5 | 157.4 | 157.6 | 160.5 | 161.9 | 163.6 |
| 2024  | 162.5                 | 160.9            | 159.8               | 160.4            | 162.4 | 164.1 | 164.9 | 165.6 | 165.9 | 167.2 | 167.5 | 167.8 |
| 2025  | 167.6                 | 172.3            | 175.8               | 178.3            | 177.3 | 176.9 | 176.3 | 177.8 | 179.0 | 181.0 | 181.0 | 182.4 |
| <b>Condominiums</b>   |                       |                  |                     |                  |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Year  | Jan                   | Feb              | Mar                 | Apr              | May   | Jun   | Jul   | Aug   | Sep   | Oct   | Nov   | Dec   |
| 2023  | 170.4                 | 169.9            | 171.0               | 170.6            | 171.9 | 170.3 | 171.7 | 173.6 | 173.7 | 173.8 | 173.6 | 178.0 |
| 2024  | 176.3                 | 178.2            | 177.7               | 181.7            | 180.0 | 179.7 | 179.5 | 181.7 | 182.3 | 179.9 | 179.5 | 180.1 |
| 2025  | 182.6                 | 184.7            | 187.5               | 191.4            | 193.3 | 194.8 | 193.5 | 195.0 | 197.1 | 200.7 | 202.1 | 202.8 |

(a) Provisional

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(b) Compiled based on per perch bare land prices obtained from the Government Valuation Department on a semi-annual basis covering 13 DS divisions in the Colombo District

(c) Compiled based on the information obtained through the Condominium Market Survey and the index covers the Colombo district

(d) Compiled based on the publicly available web based property advertisement data

## 10. PURCHASING MANAGERS' INDEX - SERVICES - BUSINESS ACTIVITY INDEX <sup>(a)</sup>

| Year | Jan  | Feb  | Mar  | Apr  | May  | Jun  | Jul  | Aug  | Sep  | Oct  | Nov  | Dec  |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 2023 | 51.5 | 45.0 | 56.1 | 51.0 | 57.4 | 61.9 | 67.5 | 58.9 | 53.4 | 63.0 | 63.6 | 71.0 |
| 2024 | 60.1 | 53.0 | 67.7 | 56.7 | 55.0 | 63.5 | 71.1 | 65.2 | 53.4 | 60.3 | 60.5 | 71.1 |
| 2025 | 58.5 | 56.5 | 69.8 | 60.6 | 57.0 | 61.9 | 70.1 | 68.9 | 58.7 | 66.0 | 50.5 | 67.9 |
| 2026 | 64.5 | 54.4 | 59.4 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |

(a) As per the international best practices, headline PMIs for Services and Construction are Services Business Activity Index and Construction Total Activity Index, respectively, while for PMI - Manufacturing, it is a weighted average of five sub-indices. Further, Manufacturing Production Index, Services Business Activity Index and Construction Total Activity Index are the comparable figures of PMI.

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

## 11. TELECOMMUNICATIONS

| Item   | Unit            | 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter |                     | Y-o-Y Change (%) |
|--|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|
|  |                 | 2024                    | 2025 <sup>(a)</sup> |                  |
| Telephones (Fixed lines)                             | Number          | 3,436,243               | 2,627,003           | (23.6)           |
| Wireline in service                                  | Number          | 1,075,344               | 1,062,592           | (1.2)            |
| Wireless Local Loop Access                           | Number          | 2,360,899               | 1,564,411           | (33.7)           |
| Cellular Phones                                      | Number          | 28,820,245              | 29,490,411          | 2.3              |
| Internet Subscribers <sup>(b)</sup>                  | Number          | 23,149,380              | 23,854,859          | 3.0              |
| Telephone Penetration<br>(excluding Cellular Phones) | per 100 persons | 15.8                    | 12.1                | (23.5)           |
| Telephone Penetration<br>(including Cellular Phones) | per 100 persons | 148.1                   | 147.6               | (0.3)            |

(a) Provisional

Sources: Telecommunications Regulatory Commission of Sri Lanka

(b) Including mobile internet connections

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## 12. TRANSPORT

| Item                                      | Unit          | 2025          | 2026 <sup>(a)</sup> | Y-o-Y Change (%) |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------------|------------------|
| <b>New Registration of Motor Vehicles</b> |               |               |                     |                  |
| <b>January</b>                            | <b>Number</b> | <b>11,464</b> | <b>55,237</b>       | <b>381.8</b>     |
| Buses                                     |               | 35            | 589                 | 1,582.9          |
| Motor Cars                                |               | 111           | 13,096              | 11,698.2         |
| Three Wheelers                            |               | 29            | 3,611               | 12,351.7         |
| Dual Purpose Vehicles <sup>(b)</sup>      |               | 96            | 983                 | 924.0            |
| Motor Cycles                              |               | 10,521        | 35,488              | 237.3            |
| Goods Transport Vehicles <sup>(c)</sup>   |               | 144           | 664                 | 361.1            |
| Land Vehicles <sup>(d)</sup>              |               | 528           | 806                 | 52.7             |
| Other <sup>(e)</sup>                      |               | -             | -                   | -                |

(a) Provisional

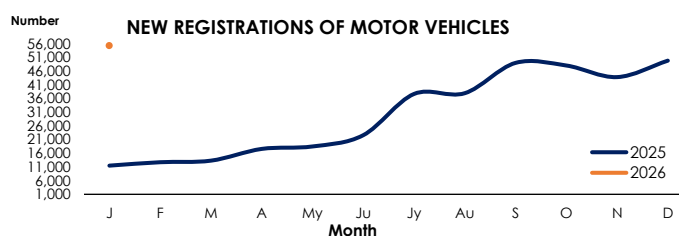
(b) Including Single Cabs

Source: Department of Motor Traffic

(c) Lorries, Other Goods Transport Vehicles and Special Purpose Vehicles

(d) Tractors, Hand Tractors and Other Land Vehicles

(e) Quadricycles and Motor Homes



### 13. PORT SERVICES<sup>(a)</sup>

| Item                                    | Unit   | 2025 <sup>(b)</sup> | 2026 <sup>(c)</sup> | Y-o-Y Change (%) |
|---|--------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| <b>Ship Traffic</b>                     |        |                     |                     |                  |
|   | Number |                     |                     |                  |
| March                                   |        | 421                 | 459                 | 9.0              |
| January - March                         |        | 1,206               | 1,271               | 5.4              |
| <b>Container Handling<sup>(d)</sup></b> |        |                     |                     |                  |
| <b>Domestic</b>                         |        |                     |                     |                  |
|   | TEUs   |                     |                     |                  |
| March                                   |        | 116,001             | 115,482             | (0.4)            |
| January - March                         |        | 328,941             | 337,211             | 2.5              |
| <b>Transshipment</b>                    |        |                     |                     |                  |
|   | TEUs   |                     |                     |                  |
| March                                   |        | 531,052             | 607,731             | 14.4             |
| January - March                         |        | 1,536,762           | 1,714,464           | 11.6             |
| <b>Re-stowing</b>                       |        |                     |                     |                  |
|   | TEUs   |                     |                     |                  |
| March                                   |        | 24,563              | 39,881              | 62.4             |
| January - March                         |        | 70,425              | 102,233             | 45.2             |
| <b>Total Container Handling</b>         |        |                     |                     |                  |
|   | TEUs   |                     |                     |                  |
| March                                   |        | 671,616             | 763,094             | 13.6             |
| January - March                         |        | 1,936,128           | 2,153,908           | 11.2             |
| <b>Cargo Handling</b>                   |        |                     |                     |                  |
| <b>Cargo Discharged</b>                 |        |                     |                     |                  |
|   | MT     |                     |                     |                  |
| March                                   |        | 6,013,479           | 6,933,090           | 15.3             |
| January - March                         |        | 16,965,615          | 18,386,749          | 8.4              |
| <b>Cargo Loaded</b>                     |        |                     |                     |                  |
|   | MT     |                     |                     |                  |
| March                                   |        | 4,637,123           | 5,301,427           | 14.3             |
| January - March                         |        | 13,584,547          | 13,905,499          | 2.4              |
| <b>Total Cargo Handling</b>             |        |                     |                     |                  |
|   | MT     |                     |                     |                  |
| March                                   |        | 10,650,602          | 12,234,517          | 14.9             |
| January - March                         |        | 30,550,162          | 32,292,248          | 5.7              |

(a) Ports of Colombo, Galle, Trincomalee and Hambantota International Port

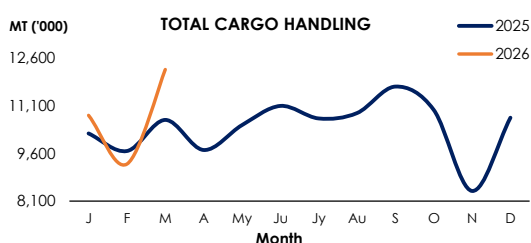
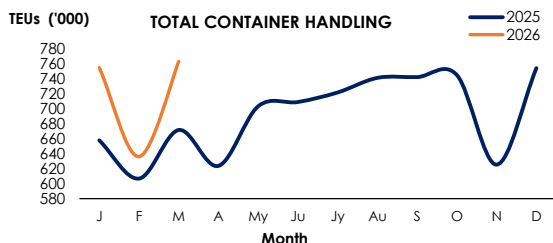
Source: Sri Lanka Ports Authority

(b) Revised

(c) Provisional

(d) Port of Colombo only

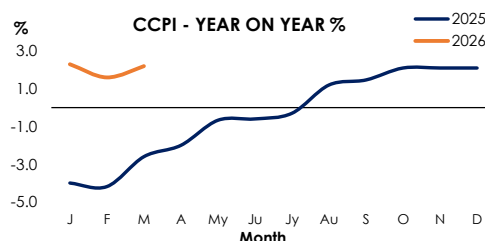
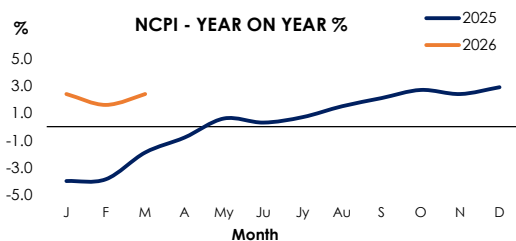
TEUs = Twenty-foot Equivalent Container Units



### 14. PRICE INDICES

| Item  | Base Period | 2025  | 2026  | Y-o-Y Change (%) |
|---|-------------|-------|-------|------------------|
| <b>National Consumer Price Index (NCPI)</b> |             |       |       |                  |
|   | 2021=100    |       |       |                  |
| <b>March</b>                                |             |       |       |                  |
| Headline                                    |             | 206.0 | 210.9 | 2.4              |
| Core  |             | 193.3 | 198.6 | 2.7              |
| <b>Colombo Consumers Price Index (CCPI)</b> |             |       |       |                  |
|   | 2021=100    |       |       |                  |
| <b>March</b>                                |             |       |       |                  |
| Headline                                    |             | 191.6 | 195.8 | 2.2              |
| Core  |             | 178.6 | 183.0 | 2.5              |

Source: Department of Census and Statistics



## 15. AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES - PETTAH MARKET

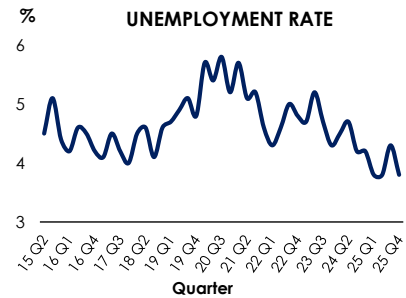
| Item                     | Unit  | March  |        | Y-o-Y Change(%) |
|--------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-----------------|
|                          |       | 2025   | 2026   |                 |
| <b>Rice</b>              | Rs/kg |        |        |                 |
| Samba                    |       | 240.26 | 260.00 | 8.2             |
| Nadu                     |       | 230.00 | 230.00 | 0.0             |
| Kekulu (Red)             |       | 220.00 | 220.00 | 0.0             |
| <b>Other Food Items</b>  | Rs/kg |        |        |                 |
| Dried Chillie (Imported) |       | 700.00 | 981.19 | 40.2            |
| Red Onion (Local)        |       | n.a.   | 282.92 | -               |
| Red Onion (Imported)     |       | 350.00 | 390.48 | 11.6            |
| Big Onion (Local)        |       | n.a.   | n.a.   | -               |
| Big Onion (Imported)     |       | 144.74 | 177.14 | 22.4            |
| Dhal                     |       | 280.00 | 283.10 | 1.1             |
| Potato (Local)           |       | 364.74 | 354.52 | (2.8)           |
| Egg - White (Each)       |       | 27.97  | 35.23  | 25.9            |
| Sugar - White            |       | 235.00 | 217.74 | (7.3)           |

n.a. - not available

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

## 16. EMPLOYMENT (a)

| Item  | Unit       | 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter |      | % |
|---|------------|-------------------------|------|---|
|   |            | 2024                    | 2025 |   |
| Labour Force Participation Rate   | Percentage | 47.7                    | 48.8 |   |
| Unemployment Rate   |            | 4.2                     | 3.8  |   |
| <b>Employment by Economic Activity<sup>(b)</sup><br/>(as a % of Total Employment)</b> |            |                         |      |   |
| Agriculture   |            | 26.8                    | 23.2 |   |
| Industry  |            | 25.7                    | 26.3 |   |
| Services  |            | 47.6                    | 50.6 |   |



(a) Household population aged 15 and above

(b) Based on the International Standard Industrial Classification (ISIC) - Revision 4

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

## 17. WAGE INDICES

| Item   | Unit       | March |                     |
|--|------------|-------|---------------------|
|  |            | 2025  | 2026 <sup>(a)</sup> |
| <b>Public Sector Employees</b>                         | 2016 = 100 |       |                     |
| Nominal Wage Rate Index                                |            | 175.4 | 192.6               |
| Real Wage Rate Index <sup>(b)</sup>                    |            | 75.8  | 81.3                |
| <b>Informal Private Sector Employees<sup>(c)</sup></b> | 2018 = 100 |       |                     |
| Nominal Wage Rate Index                                |            | 188.2 | 198.8               |
| Real Wage Rate Index <sup>(b)</sup>                    |            | 89.4  | 93.7                |
| <b>Agriculture</b>                                     |            |       |                     |
| Nominal Wage Rate Index                                |            | 189.8 | 198.6               |
| Real Wage Rate Index <sup>(b)</sup>                    |            | 90.2  | 93.6                |
| <b>Industry</b>  |            |       |                     |
| Nominal Wage Rate Index                                |            | 187.5 | 200.4               |
| Real Wage Rate Index <sup>(b)</sup>                    |            | 89.1  | 94.5                |
| <b>Services</b>  |            |       |                     |
| Nominal Wage Rate Index                                |            | 187.9 | 194.9               |
| Real Wage Rate Index <sup>(b)</sup>                    |            | 89.3  | 91.9                |

(a) Provisional

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(b) Based on National Consumer Price Index (2013=100)

(c) Informal private sector wage rate index was rebased to 2018 (from 2012) in order to capture the recent changes in the informal private sector wages and the employment structure.

## 18. GOVERNMENT FINANCE

| Item  | Unit           | 2025<br>January | 2026<br>January <sup>(a)</sup> |
|---|----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Total revenue and grants <sup>(b)</sup></b>            | <b>Rs. Mn.</b> | <b>346,581</b>  | <b>468,746</b>                 |
| <b>Total revenue <sup>(b)</sup></b>                       | <b>Rs. Mn.</b> | <b>346,581</b>  | <b>468,746</b>                 |
| Tax revenue   |                | 321,476         | 434,227                        |
| Non tax revenue   |                | 25,105          | 34,519                         |
| <b>Grants <sup>(b)</sup></b>                              | <b>Rs. Mn.</b> | <b>0</b>        | <b>0</b>                       |
| <b>Recurrent expenditure <sup>(b)</sup></b>               | <b>Rs. Mn.</b> | <b>424,507</b>  | <b>429,413</b>                 |
| <b>Capital expenditure and net lending <sup>(b)</sup></b> | <b>Rs. Mn.</b> | <b>41,471</b>   | <b>43,146</b>                  |
| <b>Financing <sup>(b)</sup></b>                           | <b>Rs. Mn.</b> | <b>119,398</b>  | <b>3,813</b>                   |
| Domestic financing  |                | 130,345         | 15,795                         |
| Foreign financing   |                | (10,947)        | (11,982)                       |

(a) Provisional

(b) Revenue, expenditure and financing figures are based on the economic classification.

|   |                | 2024 <sup>(a)(b)</sup><br>End December | 2025 <sup>(a)(b)</sup><br>End December |
|---|----------------|--|--|
| <b>Total outstanding government debt <sup>(c)</sup></b> | <b>Rs. Mn.</b> | <b>28,738,704</b>                      | <b>29,994,688</b>                      |
| <b>Total domestic debt</b>                              | <b>Rs. Mn.</b> | <b>18,309,660</b>                      | <b>18,675,325</b>                      |
| By Maturity   |                |  |  |
| Short term  |                | 3,220,075                              | 2,134,415                              |
| o/w Treasury bills                                      |                | 4,061,554                              | 3,136,291                              |
| Central bank advances                                   |                | 0                                      | 0                                      |
| Medium & Long term <sup>(d)</sup>                       |                | 15,089,586                             | 16,540,909                             |
| o/w Treasury bonds                                      |                | 14,079,198                             | 15,427,749                             |
| By Institution <sup>(e)</sup>                           |                | 18,309,660                             | 18,675,325                             |
| o/w Bank (Excluding Licensed Specialised Banks)         |                | 9,411,206                              | 9,183,454                              |
| Non Bank  |                | 8,158,550                              | 8,490,763                              |
| <b>Total foreign debt <sup>(f)(g)</sup></b>             | <b>Rs. Mn.</b> | <b>10,429,044</b>                      | <b>11,319,363</b>                      |
| Multilateral  |                | 3,773,453                              | 4,374,005                              |
| Bilateral and Commercial                                |                | 6,655,590                              | 6,945,358                              |
| o/w International Sovereign Bonds                       |                | 2,725,389                              | 2,745,011                              |
| Foreign Currency Term Financing Facilities              |                | 715,520                                | 749,024                                |

Sources: Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development  
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Note 1: With the establishment of the Public Debt Management Office (PDMO) under the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development (MOF), the responsibility for recording and publishing Sri Lanka's public debt now falls under the PDMO, as mandated by the provisions of the Public Debt Management Act, No. 33 of 2024. Accordingly, the Quarterly Statistical Debt Bulletin, published by the PDMO, will serve as the official source for debt statistics. The Central Bank compiles and present this table based on data received from the MOF to ensure data continuity.

Note 2: From 2023 onwards, debt statistics details given in this format will only be available to be published on a quarterly basis.

(a) Provisional

(b) The outstanding central government debt excludes several debt service payments that became overdue after 12 April 2022, the date of which the Interim Policy regarding the servicing of Sri Lanka's external public debt was announced by the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development. These debt service payments comprise of certain overdue interest payments of affected debt which deemed to be capitalised as per the Interim Policy.

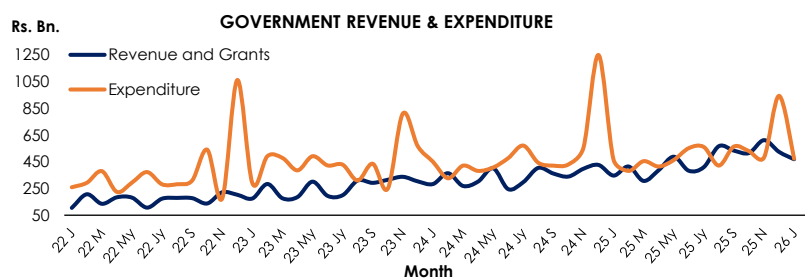
(c) As per the guidelines of compiling government debt statistics based on the Public Sector Debt Statistics Framework published by the IMF, resident holdings of outstanding ISBs of the Sri Lankan Government have been classified under domestic debt. Further, debt statistics are presented on net basis (net of deposits).

(d) Includes outstanding balance of the government guaranteed foreign currency debt of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation that was absorbed into central government debt.

(e) Institution wise classification was revised based on records of the Central Depository System.

(f) Foreign loan debt statistics and classification of foreign debt are prepared based on the data sourced from the Commonwealth Secretariat Debt Recording and Management System (CS-DRMS) maintained by the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development.

(g) From December 2022 onwards, several outstanding project loans which were previously classified under Ceylon Electricity Board, Airport and Aviation Services Ltd. and Sri Lanka Ports Authority were absorbed into central government debt.



## 19. MONETARY AGGREGATES &amp; UNDERLYING FACTORS

| Item   | Unit    | Beginning<br>January | End<br>February <sup>(a)</sup> | Change (End February) |            |
|--|---------|----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|
|  |         |                      |                                | Absolute              | Percentage |
| <b>Narrow Money Supply (M<sub>1</sub>)</b>                                       | Rs. Bn. |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025   |         | 1,925.6              | 1,938.3                        | 12.7                  | 0.7        |
| 2026   |         | 2,288.0              | 2,319.6                        | 31.6                  | 1.4        |
| Currency Held by the Public  |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025   |         | 1,051.1              | 1,084.6                        | 33.5                  | 3.2        |
| 2026   |         | 1,248.5              | 1,307.1                        | 58.5                  | 4.7        |
| Demand Deposits Held by the Public   |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025   |         | 874.5                | 853.7                          | (20.8)                | (2.4)      |
| 2026   |         | 1,039.5              | 1,012.6                        | (26.9)                | (2.6)      |
| <b>Broad Money Supply (M<sub>2</sub>) <sup>(b)</sup></b>                         | Rs. Bn. |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025   |         | 12,660.6             | 12,825.9                       | 165.3                 | 1.3        |
| 2026   |         | 14,093.4             | 14,375.8                       | 282.3                 | 2.0        |
| <b>Time &amp; Savings Deposits Held by the Public<br/>(Quasi Money)</b>          |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025   |         | 10,735.0             | 10,887.6                       | 152.6                 | 1.4        |
| 2026   |         | 11,805.4             | 12,056.2                       | 250.7                 | 2.1        |
| <b>Underlying Factors (M<sub>2</sub>)</b>  | Rs. Bn. |                      |                                |                       |            |
| <b>Net Foreign Assets <sup>(c)</sup></b>   |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025   |         | (810.7)              | (626.4)                        | 184.3                 | 22.7       |
| 2026   |         | (403.0)              | (79.0)                         | 324.0                 | 80.4       |
| <b>Domestic Credit</b>   |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025   |         | 16,376.3             | 16,465.8                       | 89.4                  | 0.5        |
| 2026   |         | 18,266.2             | 18,374.1                       | 107.9                 | 0.6        |
| To Government (Net)  |         | 8,198.5              | 8,055.5                        | (143.0)               | (1.7)      |
| To Public Corporations   |         | 437.4                | 437.2                          | (0.2)                 | (0.0)      |
| To Co-operatives   |         | 5.8                  | 5.7                            | (0.1)                 | (1.2)      |
| To Other Private Sector  |         | 9,624.6              | 9,875.8                        | 251.2                 | 2.6        |
| <b>Other Items (Net)</b>   |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025   |         | (2,905.1)            | (3,013.5)                      | (108.4)               | (3.7)      |
| 2026   |         | (3,769.7)            | (3,919.3)                      | (149.6)               | (4.0)      |
| <b>Consolidated Broad Money Supply (M<sub>2b</sub>) <sup>(d)</sup></b>           | Rs. Bn. |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025   |         | 14,321.7             | 14,543.8                       | 222.1                 | 1.6        |
| 2026   |         | 15,975.0             | 16,276.3                       | 301.3                 | 1.9        |
| <b>Adjusted Time &amp; Savings Deposits<br/>Held by the Public (Quasi Money)</b> |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025   |         | 12,396.1             | 12,605.5                       | 209.4                 | 1.7        |
| 2026   |         | 13,687.0             | 13,956.7                       | 269.7                 | 2.0        |
| <b>Underlying Factors (M<sub>2b</sub>)</b>                                       | Rs. Bn. |                      |                                |                       |            |
| <b>Net Foreign Assets</b>  |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025   |         | 572.9                | 794.7                          | 221.8                 | 38.7       |
| 2026   |         | 1,066.8              | 1,377.4                        | 310.6                 | 29.1       |
| <b>Domestic Credit</b>   |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025   |         | 17,082.8             | 17,166.3                       | 83.5                  | 0.5        |
| 2026   |         | 19,017.1             | 19,098.7                       | 81.6                  | 0.4        |
| To Government (Net)  |         | 8,285.2              | 8,140.1                        | (145.2)               | (1.8)      |
| To Public Corporations   |         | 519.7                | 519.4                          | (0.3)                 | (0.0)      |
| To Co-operatives   |         | 5.8                  | 5.7                            | (0.1)                 | (1.2)      |
| To Other Private Sector  |         | 10,206.4             | 10,433.5                       | 227.1                 | 2.2        |
| <b>Other Items (Net)</b>   |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025   |         | (3,334.0)            | (3,417.3)                      | (83.3)                | (2.5)      |
| 2026   |         | (4,108.9)            | (4,199.7)                      | (90.9)                | (2.2)      |
| <b>Reserve Money</b>   | Rs. Bn. |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025   |         | 1,539.3              | 1,589.6                        | 50.2                  | 3.3        |
| 2026   |         | 1,796.5              | 1,848.8                        | 52.4                  | 2.9        |
| <b>Money Multipliers</b>   |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| <b>M<sub>1</sub> Multiplier</b>  |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025   |         | 1.25                 | 1.22                           |                       |            |
| 2026   |         | 1.27                 | 1.25                           |                       |            |
| <b>M<sub>2</sub> Multiplier</b>  |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025   |         | 8.22                 | 8.07                           |                       |            |
| 2026   |         | 7.84                 | 7.78                           |                       |            |
| <b>M<sub>2b</sub> Multiplier</b>   |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025   |         | 9.30                 | 9.15                           |                       |            |
| 2026   |         | 8.89                 | 8.80                           |                       |            |

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(a) Provisional

(b) M<sub>2</sub> = M<sub>1</sub> + Time & Savings Deposits of DBUs

(c) Net Foreign Assets (NFA) of the Central Bank are based on market value from beginning of January 2002. This is reflected in NFA and net other items.

(d) Based on the consolidated monetary survey, which covers aggregated data pertaining to both Domestic Banking Units (DBUs) and Offshore Banking Units (OBUs) of commercial banks operating in Sri Lanka. It also includes foreign currency deposits held by residents. M<sub>2b</sub> is the sum of M<sub>1</sub> and adjusted quasi money. M<sub>1</sub> is the same in both cases; i.e., DBU monetary survey and consolidated monetary survey.

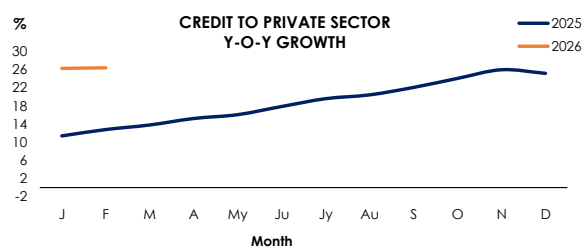
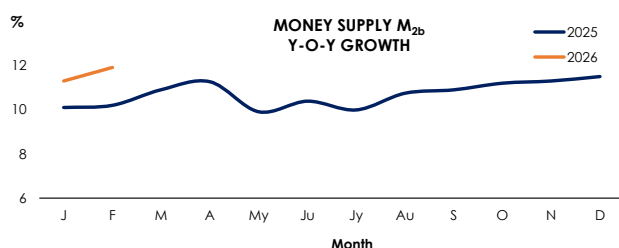
## (Monetary Aggregates &amp; Underlying Factors Contd ...)

| Item  | Unit    | Beginning<br>January | End<br>February <sup>(a)</sup> | Change (End February) |            |
|---|---------|----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|
|   |         |                      |                                | Absolute              | Percentage |
| <b>Broad Money Supply (M<sub>4</sub>)<sup>(e)</sup></b> | Rs. Bn. |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025  |         | 17,260.7             | 17,521.7                       | 261.0                 | 1.5        |
| 2026  |         | 19,177.0             | 19,544.2                       | 367.2                 | 1.9        |
| <b>Time &amp; Savings Deposits (Quasi Money)</b>        |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025  |         | 15,397.1             | 15,650.2                       | 253.1                 | 1.6        |
| 2026  |         | 16,973.2             | 17,309.8                       | 336.5                 | 2.0        |
| <b>Underlying Factors (M<sub>4</sub>)</b>               |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| <b>Net Foreign Assets</b>                               |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025  |         | 551.8                | 772.4                          | 220.6                 | 40.0       |
| 2026  |         | 1,003.1              | 1,311.7                        | 308.7                 | 30.8       |
| <b>Domestic Credit</b>                                  |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025  |         | 21,036.3             | 21,190.5                       | 154.3                 | 0.7        |
| 2026  |         | 23,807.6             | 24,065.4                       | 257.8                 | 1.1        |
| To Government (Net)                                     |         | 9,494.0              | 9,346.5                        | (147.5)               | (1.6)      |
| To Public Corporations                                  |         | 519.7                | 519.4                          | (0.3)                 | (0.0)      |
| To Private Sector                                       |         | 13,794.0             | 14,199.5                       | 405.5                 | 2.9        |
| <b>Other Items (Net)</b>                                |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025  |         | (4,327.4)            | (4,441.2)                      | (113.8)               | (2.6)      |
| 2026  |         | (5,633.7)            | (5,832.9)                      | (199.2)               | (3.5)      |
| <b>Money Multiplier</b>                                 |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| <b>M<sub>4</sub> Multiplier</b>                         |         |                      |                                |                       |            |
| 2025  |         | 11.21                | 11.02                          |                       |            |
| 2026  |         | 10.67                | 10.57                          |                       |            |

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(a) Provisional

(e) Based on the financial survey, which covers the consolidated monetary survey data (both DBUs &amp; OBUs) and transactions of Licensed Specialised Banks (LSBs) and Finance Companies (FCs).

20. BANKING<sup>(a)(b)</sup>

| Item  | Unit    | 2025<br>End February | 2026<br>End February <sup>(c)</sup> | Change (End February) |            |
|---|---------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|
|   |         |                      |                                     | Absolute              | Percentage |
| <b>Commercial Banks</b>                                       |         |                      |                                     |                       |            |
| <b>Domestic Banking Units (DBUs)</b>                          |         |                      |                                     |                       |            |
| <b>Loans &amp; Advances (Total Outstanding)<sup>(d)</sup></b> | Rs. Bn. | 8,783.3              | 10,865.0                            | 2,081.7               | 23.7       |
| <b>Investment (Total Outstanding)</b>                         |         |                      |                                     |                       |            |
| Treasury Bills  | Rs. Bn. | 2,825.4              | 2,354.5                             | (470.9)               | (16.7)     |
| Other Govt. Securities <sup>(e)</sup>                         |         | 4,343.8              | 4,667.6                             | 323.8                 | 7.5        |
| Other Investments   |         | 183.2                | 176.3                               | (6.9)                 | (3.8)      |
| <b>Total Deposits</b>   | Rs. Bn. | 15,183.4             | 16,812.8                            | 1,629.4               | 10.7       |
| <b>Commercial Banks' Liquidity</b>                            |         |                      |                                     |                       |            |
| <b>Excess Reserves and Cash in Hand</b>                       | Rs. Bn. | 243.1                | 253.1                               | 9.9                   | 4.1        |
| <b>Call Market Borrowings-Last week of month</b>              | Rs. Bn. | 149.1                | 222.3                               | 73.2                  | 49.1       |
| <b>Offshore Banking Units (OBUs)</b>                          |         |                      |                                     |                       |            |
| <b>Total Assets / Liabilities</b>                             | Rs. Bn. | 1,682.7              | 2,011.6                             | 329.0                 | 19.6       |
| <b>Assets</b>   |         |                      |                                     |                       |            |
| Placements, Loans & Advances - Residents                      |         | 714.2                | 755.4                               | 41.3                  | 5.8        |
| Placements, Loans & Advances - Non-Residents                  |         | 913.9                | 1,209.8                             | 295.9                 | 32.4       |
| Other Assets  |         | 54.6                 | 46.4                                | (8.2)                 | (15.0)     |
| <b>Liabilities</b>  |         |                      |                                     |                       |            |
| Deposits & Borrowings - Residents                             |         | 784.1                | 999.9                               | 215.8                 | 27.5       |
| Deposits & Borrowings - Non-Residents                         |         | 274.6                | 322.1                               | 47.5                  | 17.3       |
| Other Liabilities   |         | 623.9                | 689.7                               | 65.8                  | 10.5       |
| <b>National Savings Bank</b>                                  |         |                      |                                     |                       |            |
| Time & Savings Deposits                                       | Rs. Bn. | 1,556.3              | 1,598.2                             | 41.9                  | 2.7        |

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(a) With the implementation of the Banking Act No. 24 of 2024, the demarcation of DBU and OBU was eliminated effective 14 June 2024. However, for the compilation of monetary aggregates, balance sheet data of LCBs are collected separately for DBUs and OBUs.

(b) Data presented in the Table may be different from Table 26 due to differences in compilation methodologies

(c) Provisional

(d) Loans and advances include loans, overdrafts, bills (import, export and local bills, excluding sight bills) purchased and discounted.

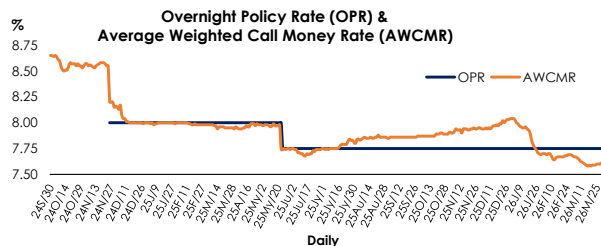
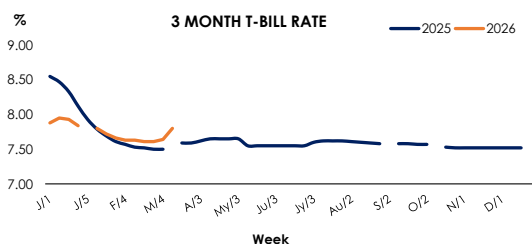
(e) Includes Rupee Securities and International Sovereign Bonds.

21. INTEREST RATES

| Item                                   | Unit     | March                |                      | Y-o-Y Absolute Change (Basis Points) |
|--|----------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|
|  |          | 2025                 | 2026                 |                                      |
| <b>Overnight Policy Rate (OPR)</b>     | Per cent | 8.00                 | 7.75                 | (25)                                 |
| <b>Call Money Rates (End Month)</b>    | Per cent | 7.95-7.95            | 7.55-7.65            |                                      |
| <b>Standing Deposit Facility Rate</b>  | Per cent | 7.50                 | 7.25                 | (25)                                 |
| <b>Standing Lending Facility Rate</b>  | Per cent | 8.50                 | 8.25                 | (25)                                 |
| <b>Treasury Bills (a) (Last Week)</b>  |          |                      |                      |                                      |
|  | Yield    |                      |                      |                                      |
| 91-Day                                 | Per cent | 7.50                 | 7.80                 | 30                                   |
| 182-Day                                |          | 7.84                 | 8.09                 | 25                                   |
| 364-Day                                |          | 8.25                 | 8.41                 | 16                                   |
| <b>Treasury Bonds (a)</b>              |          |                      |                      |                                      |
| 2-Year                                 |          | -                    | -                    | -                                    |
| 3-Year                                 |          | -                    | -                    | -                                    |
| 4-Year                                 |          | -                    | 9.63                 | -                                    |
| 5-Year                                 |          | 10.72                | -                    | -                                    |
| 6-Year                                 |          | -                    | -                    | -                                    |
| 10-Year                                |          | 11.50                | 10.80                | (70)                                 |
|  |          | <b>2025 February</b> | <b>2026 February</b> |                                      |
| <b>AWDR (b)</b>                        | Per cent | 7.21                 | 6.83                 | (38)                                 |
| <b>AWFDR (c)</b>                       | Per cent | 8.84                 | 8.37                 | (47)                                 |
| <b>AWNDR (d)</b>                       | Per cent | 6.25                 | 6.23                 | (2)                                  |
| <b>AWNFRD (e)</b>                      | Per cent | 6.51                 | 6.66                 | 15                                   |
|  |          | <b>2025 March</b>    | <b>2026 March</b>    |                                      |
| <b>AWPR (f) (Last Week)</b>            | Per cent | 8.43                 | 9.86                 | 143                                  |
|  |          | <b>2025 February</b> | <b>2026 February</b> |                                      |
| <b>AWLR (g)</b>                        | Per cent | 11.99                | 11.62                | (37)                                 |
| <b>AWNLR (h)</b>                       |          | 10.45                | 11.11                | 66                                   |
| <b>AWSR (i)</b>                        |          | 12.20                | 11.64                | (56)                                 |
| <b>AWSNR (i)</b>                       |          | 11.07                | 11.31                | 24                                   |
| <b>Saving Rates</b>                    |          |                      |                      |                                      |
|  | Per cent | <b>2025 February</b> | <b>2026 February</b> |                                      |
| Commercial Banks                       |          | 0.25-9.00            | 0.25-9.00            |                                      |
| National Savings Bank                  |          | 3.00                 | 3.00                 |                                      |
| <b>Fixed Deposit Rates</b>             |          |                      |                      |                                      |
|  | Per cent |                      |                      |                                      |
| Commercial Banks (12 Months)           |          | 2.50-12.00           | 2.50-12.00           |                                      |
| National Savings Bank (12 Months)      |          | 7.00                 | 6.75                 |                                      |
| <b>Long Term Lending Rates</b>         |          |                      |                      |                                      |
|  | Per cent | <b>2025 February</b> | <b>2026 February</b> |                                      |
| State Mortgage & Investment Bank       |          | 9.00-20.00           | 9.00-18.50           |                                      |
| National Savings Bank                  |          | 10.00-15.00          | 6.75-13.50           |                                      |
| National Housing Development Authority |          | 12.00-14.00          | 12.00-14.00          |                                      |

Sources: Central Bank of Sri Lanka  
Public Debt Management Office  
Respective Financial Institutions

- (a) Average weighted yield rates at the last auction held during the month.
- (b) The Average Weighted Deposit Rate (AWDR) is calculated by the Central Bank monthly, based on interest rates pertaining to all outstanding interest bearing rupee deposits held with licensed commercial banks (LCBs).
- (c) The Average Weighted Fixed Deposit Rate (AWFDR) is calculated by the Central Bank monthly, based on interest rates pertaining to all outstanding interest bearing rupee time deposits held with LCBs.
- (d) The Average Weighted New Deposit Rate (AWNDR) is calculated by the Central Bank monthly, based on interest rates pertaining to all new interest bearing rupee deposits mobilised by LCBs during a particular month.
- (e) The Average Weighted New Fixed Deposit Rate (AWNFRD) is calculated by the Central Bank monthly, based on interest rates pertaining to all new interest bearing rupee time deposits mobilised by LCBs during a particular month.
- (f) The Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR) is calculated by the Central Bank weekly, based on interest rates applicable to short term rupee loans and advances granted by LCBs to their prime customers during a particular week.
- (g) The Average Weighted Lending Rate (AWLR) is calculated by the Central Bank monthly, based on interest rates pertaining to all outstanding rupee loans and advances extended by LCBs.
- (h) The Average Weighted New Lending Rate (AWNLR) is calculated by the Central Bank monthly, based on interest rates pertaining to all new rupee loans and advances extended by LCBs during a particular month.
- (i) AWSR (Average Weighted SME Rate) and AWSNR (Average Weighted New SME Rate) of commercial banks are computed monthly, based on the SME survey conducted by the Economic Research Department of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka. AWSR reflects interest rates on all outstanding rupee loans extended by licensed banks to the MSME sector, while AWSNR captures rates on new rupee loans granted during a given month extended by licensed banks to the MSME sector. Both exclude government's refinance schemes and non-performing loans of the banks. This survey uses the criterion of annual turnover of not exceeding Rs. 1 billion to define MSMEs, in line with the standard definition.



**22. DOMESTIC MONEY MARKET**

| Item                | Unit   | 27-Feb-26 | 31-Mar-26 | Change |
|---------------------|--------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| Overnight Liquidity | Rs. Bn | 333.76    | 277.95    | (55.8) |

Overnight liquidity decreased compared to the previous month mainly due to increase in currency in circulation.

**23. CREDIT CARDS**

| Credit Cards <sup>(a)</sup>         | Unit           | 2025<br>End December <sup>(b)</sup> | 2026<br>End<br>January | 2026<br>End<br>February <sup>(c)</sup> |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|--|
| <b>Total Number of Active Cards</b> | <b>Number</b>  | <b>2,166,186</b>                    | <b>2,176,299</b>       | <b>2,193,380</b>                       |
| Local (accepted only locally)       |                | 8,915                               | 8,843                  | 8,780                                  |
| Global (accepted globally)          |                | 2,157,271                           | 2,167,456              | 2,184,600                              |
| <b>Outstanding balance</b>          | <b>Rs. Mn.</b> | <b>189,706.2</b>                    | <b>190,157.3</b>       | <b>190,648.0</b>                       |
| Local (accepted only locally)       |                | 39,492.1                            | 39,107.9               | 39,473.2                               |
| Global (accepted globally)          |                | 150,214.1                           | 151,049.5              | 151,174.8                              |

(a) Issued by Licensed Commercial Banks (LCBs)

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(b) Revised

(c) Provisional

**24. COMMERCIAL PAPER ISSUES**

| Item  | Unit           | 2025<br>End December | 2026<br>End<br>January | 2026<br>End<br>February <sup>(a)</sup> |
|---|----------------|----------------------|------------------------|--|
| <b>Commercial Paper Issues <sup>(b)</sup></b> | <b>Rs. Mn.</b> |                      |                        |  |
| Total Issues <sup>(c)</sup>                   |                | 5,425.0              | -                      | -                                      |
| Outstanding (at the end of the period)        |                | 1,400.0              | 1,400.0                | 1,400.0                                |

(a) Provisional

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(b) Based on the information provided by LCBs and LSBs

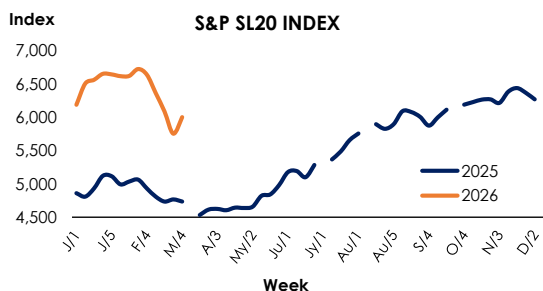
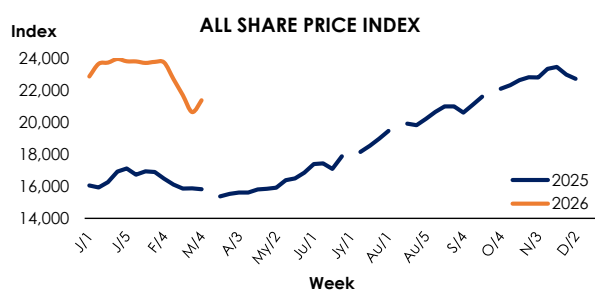
(c) Year-to-date total

**25. SHARE MARKET**

| Item  | Unit      | End March  |            | Y-o-Y Change (%) |
|---|-----------|------------|------------|------------------|
|   |           | 2025       | 2026       |                  |
| <b>All Share Price Index (ASPI)</b>             | 1985=100  | 15,814.82  | 21,066.18  | 33.2             |
| <b>S&amp;P Sri Lanka 20 (S&amp;P SL20)</b>      | 2004=1000 | 4,734.72   | 5,904.10   | 24.7             |
| <b>Market Capitalisation</b>                    | Rs. Bn.   | 5,606.37   | 7,522.00   | 34.2             |
| <b>Non-national Transactions <sup>(a)</sup></b> |           |            |            |                  |
| Purchase  | Rs. Mn.   | 2,259.98   | 1,985.23   | (12.2)           |
| Sales   |           | 3,926.61   | 5,620.93   | 43.1             |
| Net Purchases                                   |           | (1,666.63) | (3,635.70) | (118.1)          |

(a) Total for the month

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange



## 26. BANKING SECTOR

| Item   | Unit     | 2024                        | 2025                        | Change (End December) |            |
|--|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|------------|
|  |          | End December <sup>(a)</sup> | End December <sup>(b)</sup> | Absolute              | Percentage |
| <b>Assets and Liabilities</b>  |          |                             |                             |                       |            |
| <b>Assets</b>  |          |                             |                             |                       |            |
| Total Assets   | Rs. Bn   | 22,146.8                    | 24,922.2                    | 2,775.4               | 12.5       |
| Cash and Due From Banks  | Rs. Bn   | 1,790.2                     | 1,859.8                     | 69.6                  | 3.9        |
| Investments  | Rs. Bn   | 9,089.8                     | 9,369.6                     | 279.8                 | 3.1        |
| Net Loans and Receivables  | Rs. Bn   | 10,477.8                    | 12,909.4                    | 2,431.7               | 23.2       |
| Investment Properties  | Rs. Bn   | 6.5                         | 6.5                         | 0.0                   | 0.7        |
| Property, Plant and Equipment  | Rs. Bn   | 235.5                       | 232.5                       | (3.1)                 | (1.3)      |
| Other Assets   | Rs. Bn   | 547.0                       | 544.4                       | (2.6)                 | (0.5)      |
| <b>Liabilities</b>   |          |                             |                             |                       |            |
| Deposits   | Rs. Bn   | 17,969.3                    | 19,927.4                    | 1,958.1               | 10.9       |
| Borrowings   | Rs. Bn   | 1,292.9                     | 1,678.2                     | 385.3                 | 29.8       |
| Other Liabilities  | Rs. Bn   | 830.5                       | 942.3                       | 111.8                 | 13.5       |
| Equity Capital & Reserves  | Rs. Bn   | 2,054.1                     | 2,374.3                     | 320.2                 | 15.6       |
| <b>Income &amp; Expenses</b>   |          |                             |                             |                       |            |
| Net Interest Income  | Rs. Bn   | 909.6                       | 1,022.5                     | 112.9                 | 12.4       |
| Non-interest Income  | Rs. Bn   | 71.0                        | 275.0                       | 204.0                 | 287.2      |
| Operating Expenses   | Rs. Bn   | 444.5                       | 493.4                       | 48.9                  | 11.0       |
| Impairment for Loans & Other Losses  | Rs. Bn   | (156.4)                     | 59.9                        | 216.3                 | (138.3)    |
| Profit Before Corporate Taxes  | Rs. Bn   | 542.0                       | 583.2                       | 41.2                  | 7.6        |
| Profits After Corporate Tax  | Rs. Bn   | 324.2                       | 368.8                       | 44.6                  | 13.7       |
| <b>Soundness Indicators</b>  |          |                             |                             |                       |            |
| <b>Asset Quality (%)</b>   |          |                             |                             |                       |            |
| Stage 3 Loans to Total Loans Ratio (Including Undrawn Amounts and Net of Stage 3 Impairment) | Per cent | 12.3                        | 9.7                         |                       | (2.6)      |
| Stage 3 Loans to Total Loans Ratio (Excluding Undrawn Amounts)                               | Per cent | 12.7                        | 9.7                         |                       | (3.0)      |
| Stage 3 Impairment Coverage (Including Undrawn Amounts)                                      | Per cent | 54.1                        | 58.3                        |                       | 4.2        |
| Total Impairment Coverage (Including Undrawn Amounts)  | Per cent | 8.5                         | 7.2                         |                       | (1.2)      |
| <b>Profitability (%)</b>   |          |                             |                             |                       |            |
| Return on Equity – after tax   | Per cent | 17.4                        | 16.6                        |                       | (0.8)      |
| Return on Assets – before tax  | Per cent | 2.6                         | 2.4                         |                       | (0.1)      |
| Efficiency (operating cost) Ratio  | Per cent | 45.3                        | 38.0                        |                       | (7.3)      |
| Net Interest Income to Average Assets (Net Interest Margin)                                  | Per cent | 4.4                         | 4.3                         |                       | (0.1)      |
| <b>Liquidity (%)</b>   |          |                             |                             |                       |            |
| Liquid Assets to Total Assets  | Per cent | 38.6                        | 33.7                        |                       | (4.9)      |
| Liquidity Coverage Ratio – LKR   | Per cent | 349.9                       | 283.9                       |                       | (66.0)     |
| Liquidity Coverage Ratio – All Currency  | Per cent | 313.8                       | 249.7                       |                       | (64.2)     |
| Net Stable Funding Ratio   | Per cent | 164.8                       | 154.1                       |                       | (10.7)     |
| Credit to Total Deposits   | Per cent | 63.9                        | 69.9                        |                       | 6.1        |
| <b>Capital Adequacy (%)</b>  |          |                             |                             |                       |            |
| Capital Adequacy Ratio   | Per cent | 20.3                        | 17.9                        |                       | (2.4)      |
| Tier 1 Capital Ratio   | Per cent | 16.7                        | 14.6                        |                       | (2.1)      |
| Common Equity Tier 1 Ratio   | Per cent | 16.5                        | 14.4                        |                       | (2.1)      |

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(a) Subsequently updated on 09.03.2026 to reflect the position based on Audited Financial Statements

(b) Unaudited and provisional

## 27. FINANCE COMPANIES SECTOR

| Item  | Unit          | 2025           | 2026                     | Change (End March) |             |
|---|---------------|----------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------|
|   |               | End March      | End March <sup>(a)</sup> | Absolute           | Percentage  |
| <b>Assets and Liabilities</b>   |               |                |                          |                    |             |
| <b>Assets</b>   | <b>Rs. Bn</b> | <b>2,089.3</b> | <b>3,059.6</b>           | <b>970.4</b>       | <b>46.4</b> |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents   | Rs. Bn        | 45.4           | 48.9                     | 3.5                | 7.7         |
| Loans   | Rs. Bn        | 1,566.7        | 2,451.4                  | 884.7              | 56.5        |
| Investments   | Rs. Bn        | 363.4          | 414.6                    | 51.2               | 14.1        |
| Other Assets  | Rs. Bn        | 113.8          | 144.7                    | 31.0               | 27.2        |
| <b>Liabilities</b>  | <b>Rs. Bn</b> | <b>1,596.4</b> | <b>2,501.1</b>           | <b>904.8</b>       | <b>56.7</b> |
| Deposits  | Rs. Bn        | 1,120.7        | 1,376.9                  | 256.2              | 22.9        |
| Borrowings  | Rs. Bn        | 357.5          | 982.7                    | 625.2              | 174.9       |
| Other Liabilities   | Rs. Bn        | 118.2          | 141.6                    | 23.4               | 19.8        |
| <b>Equity</b>   | <b>Rs. Bn</b> | <b>492.9</b>   | <b>558.5</b>             | <b>65.6</b>        | <b>13.3</b> |
| <b>Income &amp; Expenses (12 months ending March)</b>                               |               |                |                          |                    |             |
| Net Interest Income   | Rs. Bn        | 201.0          | 253.1                    | 52.1               | 25.9        |
| Non Interest Income   | Rs. Bn        | 33.7           | 44.4                     | 10.6               | 31.6        |
| Impairment  | Rs. Bn        | (5.7)          | 1.3                      | 7.0                | (123.4)     |
| Operating Expenses  | Rs. Bn        | 116.7          | 139.4                    | 22.7               | 19.4        |
| Share of Profit/Loss of Associates and Joint Ventures                               | Rs. Bn        | 0.6            | 1.1                      | 0.5                | 93.5        |
| Profit/Loss for the Period (Before VAT and Income Tax)                              | Rs. Bn        | 124.2          | 157.8                    | 33.6               | 27.0        |
| Profit/Loss the Period (After VAT and Income Tax)                                   | Rs. Bn        | 69.4           | 88.5                     | 19.1               | 27.5        |
| <b>Soundness Indicators</b>   |               |                |                          |                    |             |
| <b>Asset Quality</b>  |               |                |                          |                    |             |
| Gross Non Performing Loans (Stage 03 Loans) to Total Loans                          | Per cent      | 8.6            | 4.6                      |                    | (3.9)       |
| Net Non Performing Loans (Stage 03 Loans net of Stage 03 Impairment) to Total Loans | Per cent      | 4.5            | 2.5                      |                    | (2.0)       |
| Stage 03 Impairment Coverage Ratio (Stage 03 Impairment to Stage 03 Loans)          | Per cent      | 47.4           | 46.6                     |                    | (0.8)       |
| <b>Profitability</b>  |               |                |                          |                    |             |
| Return on Assets (ROA) (Annualized)   | Per cent      | 6.6            | 6.2                      |                    | (0.4)       |
| Return on Equity (ROE) (Annualized)   | Per cent      | 15.2           | 17.0                     |                    | 1.8         |
| Net Interest Margin (NIM) (Net Interest Income to Average Assets) (Annualized)      | Per cent      | 10.7           | 9.9                      |                    | (0.8)       |
| <b>Liquidity</b>  |               |                |                          |                    |             |
| Liquid Assets to Total Assets   | Per cent      | 11.8           | 8.9                      |                    | (3.0)       |
| Liquid Assets to External Funds (Total Deposits and Borrowings)                     | Per cent      | 16.7           | 11.5                     |                    | (5.2)       |
| Excess/Deficit in Liquid Assets to Required Liquid Assets                           | Per cent      | 99.3           | 65.7                     |                    | (33.6)      |
| Liquid Assets to Short Term Liabilities (less than 03 Months)                       | Per cent      | 41.4           | 39.3                     |                    | (2.1)       |
| <b>Capital Adequacy</b>   |               |                |                          |                    |             |
| TIER 1 Capital after Adjustments to Risk Weighted Assets (Core Capital Ratio)       | Per cent      | 20.0           | 16.4                     |                    | (3.5)       |
| Total Capital to Risk Weighted Assets (Total Capital Ratio)                         | Per cent      | 20.9           | 18.3                     |                    | (2.6)       |
| TIER 1 Capital after Adjustments to Assets (Leverage Ratio)                         | Per cent      | 17.1           | 13.8                     |                    | (3.3)       |
| Net Non Performing Loans to TIER 1 Capital after Adjustments                        | Per cent      | 20.9           | 14.8                     |                    | (6.1)       |

(a) Provisional

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

## 28. EXTERNAL TRADE

| Item                         | Unit      | 2025      | 2026 <sup>(a)</sup> | Y-o-Y Change (%) |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|---------------------|------------------|
| <b>Exports<sup>(b)</sup></b> | Rs. Mn.   |           |                     |                  |
| February                     |           | 312,514   | 327,232             | 4.7              |
| January - February           |           | 624,329   | 682,946             | 9.4              |
| <b>Imports<sup>(c)</sup></b> |           |           |                     |                  |
| February                     |           | 434,580   | 567,320             | 30.5             |
| January - February           |           | 963,417   | 1,125,708           | 16.8             |
| <b>Trade Balance</b>         |           |           |                     |                  |
| February                     |           | (122,067) | (240,089)           |                  |
| January - February           |           | (339,088) | (442,762)           |                  |
| <b>Exports<sup>(b)</sup></b> | US \$ Mn. |           |                     |                  |
| February                     |           | 1,053     | 1,058               | 0.5              |
| January - February           |           | 2,106     | 2,207               | 4.8              |
| <b>Imports<sup>(c)</sup></b> |           |           |                     |                  |
| February                     |           | 1,464     | 1,834               | 25.2             |
| January - February           |           | 3,250     | 3,637               | 11.9             |
| <b>Trade Balance</b>         |           |           |                     |                  |
| February                     |           | (411)     | (776)               |                  |
| January - February           |           | (1,144)   | (1,431)             |                  |

(a) Provisional

(b) Data from the Sri Lanka Customs have been adjusted to include accurate monthly values of exports of petroleum products and gems, diamonds and jewellery which are recorded with a lag in Customs data. Those data are obtained directly from relevant institutions for the adjustment.

(c) Data from the Sri Lanka Customs have been adjusted to include accurate monthly values of imports of fuel which are recorded

Sources: Ceylon Petroleum Corporation and other exporters of petroleum  
Lanka IOC PLC  
National Gem and Jewellery Authority  
Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority  
Sri Lanka Customs  
Central Bank of Sri Lanka

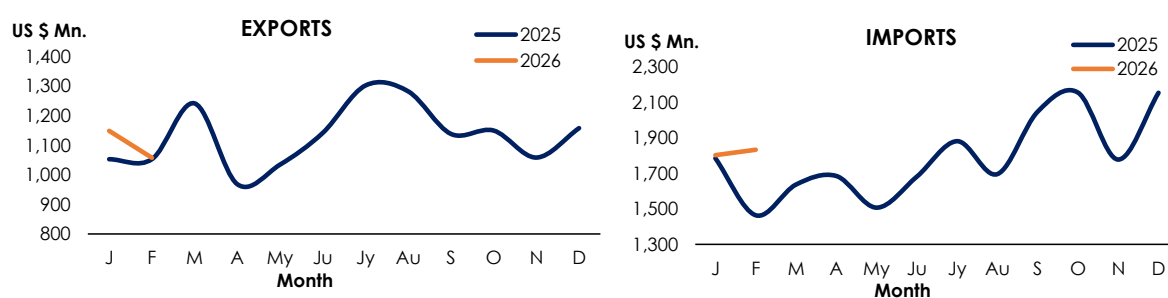
## TRADE INDICES <sup>(a)</sup> ( 2010 = 100 )

| Item                  | February     |                     |
|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------|
|                       | 2025         | 2026 <sup>(b)</sup> |
| <b>Total Exports</b>  |              |                     |
| Value                 | 146.5        | 147.2               |
| Quantity              | 172.3        | 179.8               |
| Unit Value            | 85.0         | 81.9                |
| <b>Total Imports</b>  |              |                     |
| Value                 | 131.0        | 164.1               |
| Quantity              | 165.6        | 218.0               |
| Unit Value            | 79.1         | 75.3                |
| <b>Terms of Trade</b> | <b>107.4</b> | <b>108.8</b>        |

(a) In US\$ Terms

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(b) Provisional



## EXTERNAL TRADE - COMPOSITION OF IMPORTS

| Item  | Unit    | 2025    | 2026 <sup>(a)</sup> | Y-o-Y Change (%) |
|---|---------|---------|---------------------|------------------|
| <b>Major Imports</b>                        |         |         |                     |                  |
| <b>Consumer Goods - Total</b>               | Rs. Mn. |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 104,192 | 147,362             | 41.4             |
| January - February                          |         | 216,806 | 294,435             | 35.8             |
| <b>Food and Beverages</b>                   |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 59,134  | 50,138              | (15.2)           |
| January - February                          |         | 130,627 | 99,936              | (23.5)           |
| <b>Vegetables</b>                           |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 11,489  | 7,922               | (31.1)           |
| January - February                          |         | 24,290  | 17,518              | (27.9)           |
| <b>Sugar</b>                                |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 12,740  | 4,614               | (63.8)           |
| January - February                          |         | 25,568  | 9,954               | (61.1)           |
| <b>Dairy Products</b>                       |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 12,365  | 12,423              | 0.5              |
| January - February                          |         | 17,620  | 22,137              | 25.6             |
| <b>Other Food and Beverages</b>             |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 22,540  | 25,179              | 11.7             |
| January - February                          |         | 63,148  | 50,328              | (20.3)           |
| <b>Non-food Consumer Goods</b>              |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 45,059  | 97,224              | 115.8            |
| January - February                          |         | 86,180  | 194,499             | 125.7            |
| <b>Personal Vehicles</b>                    |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 1,049   | 45,919              | 4,278.0          |
| January - February                          |         | 1,930   | 96,641              | 4,907.0          |
| <b>Medical and Pharmaceuticals</b>          |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 13,708  | 19,346              | 41.1             |
| January - February                          |         | 27,144  | 38,500              | 41.8             |
| <b>Other Non Food Consumables</b>           |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 30,302  | 31,959              | 5.5              |
| January - February                          |         | 57,106  | 59,358              | 3.9              |
| <b>Intermediate Goods - Total</b>           |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 249,301 | 307,308             | 23.3             |
| January - February                          |         | 563,678 | 596,816             | 5.9              |
| <b>Fuel</b>                                 |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 82,618  | 123,111             | 49.0             |
| January - February                          |         | 206,326 | 201,605             | (2.3)            |
| <b>Textile and Textile Articles</b>         |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 68,512  | 70,812              | 3.4              |
| January - February                          |         | 137,446 | 146,045             | 6.3              |
| <b>Diamonds, Precious Stones and Metals</b> |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 2,111   | 4,180               | 98.0             |
| January - February                          |         | 4,043   | 9,125               | 125.7            |
| <b>Wheat</b>                                |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 3,090   | 3,244               | 5.0              |
| January - February                          |         | 9,850   | 21,245              | 115.7            |
| <b>Other Intermediate Goods</b>             |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 92,970  | 105,960             | 14.0             |
| January - February                          |         | 206,013 | 218,795             | 6.2              |
| <b>Investment Goods - Total</b>             |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 79,956  | 112,506             | 40.7             |
| January - February                          |         | 180,696 | 234,076             | 29.5             |
| <b>Machinery and Equipment</b>              |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 52,392  | 70,834              | 35.2             |
| January - February                          |         | 123,411 | 144,013             | 16.7             |
| <b>Other Investment Goods</b>               |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 27,563  | 41,672              | 51.2             |
| January - February                          |         | 57,285  | 90,063              | 57.2             |
| <b>Total Imports <sup>(b)</sup></b>         |         |         |                     |                  |
| February                                    |         | 434,580 | 567,320             | 30.5             |
| January - February                          |         | 963,417 | 1,125,708           | 16.8             |

(a) Provisional

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(b) Data from the Sri Lanka Customs have been adjusted to include accurate monthly values of imports of fuel which are recorded with a lag in customs data. Those data are obtained directly from relevant institutions for the adjustment.

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| Item  | Unit      | 2025           | 2026 <sup>(a)</sup> | Y-o-Y Change (%) |
|---|-----------|----------------|---------------------|------------------|
| <b>Major Imports</b>                        |           |                |                     |                  |
| <b>Consumer Goods - Total</b>               | US \$ Mn. |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | <b>351.0</b>   | <b>476.3</b>        | <b>35.7</b>      |
| January - February                          |           | <b>731.3</b>   | <b>951.3</b>        | <b>30.1</b>      |
| <b>Food and Beverages</b>                   |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | 199.2          | 162.1               | (18.7)           |
| January - February                          |           | 440.6          | 322.9               | (26.7)           |
| <b>Vegetables</b>                           |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | 38.7           | 25.6                | (33.9)           |
| January - February                          |           | 81.9           | 56.6                | (30.9)           |
| <b>Sugar</b>                                |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | 42.9           | 14.9                | (65.3)           |
| January - February                          |           | 86.2           | 32.2                | (62.7)           |
| <b>Dairy Products</b>                       |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | 41.7           | 40.2                | (3.6)            |
| January - February                          |           | 59.4           | 71.5                | 20.4             |
| <b>Other Food and Beverages</b>             |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | 75.9           | 81.4                | 7.2              |
| January - February                          |           | 213.0          | 162.6               | (23.7)           |
| <b>Non-food Consumer Goods</b>              |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | 151.8          | 314.3               | 107.0            |
| January - February                          |           | 290.7          | 628.4               | 116.2            |
| <b>Personal Vehicles</b>                    |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | 3.5            | 148.4               | 4,100.2          |
| January - February                          |           | 6.5            | 312.2               | 4,696.8          |
| <b>Medical and Pharmaceuticals</b>          |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | 46.2           | 62.5                | 35.4             |
| January - February                          |           | 91.5           | 124.4               | 35.9             |
| <b>Other Non Food Consumables</b>           |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | 102.1          | 103.3               | 1.2              |
| January - February                          |           | 192.6          | 191.8               | (0.4)            |
| <b>Intermediate Goods - Total</b>           |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | <b>840.0</b>   | <b>993.4</b>        | <b>18.3</b>      |
| January - February                          |           | <b>1,901.4</b> | <b>1,928.3</b>      | <b>1.4</b>       |
| <b>Fuel</b>                                 |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | 278.4          | 398.0               | 43.0             |
| January - February                          |           | 696.0          | 651.4               | (6.4)            |
| <b>Textile and Textile Articles</b>         |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | 230.8          | 228.9               | (0.8)            |
| January - February                          |           | 463.6          | 471.9               | 1.8              |
| <b>Diamonds, Precious Stones and Metals</b> |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | 7.1            | 13.5                | 90.0             |
| January - February                          |           | 13.6           | 29.5                | 116.2            |
| <b>Wheat</b>                                |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | 10.4           | 10.5                | 0.7              |
| January - February                          |           | 33.2           | 68.6                | 106.5            |
| <b>Other Intermediate Goods</b>             |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | 313.2          | 342.5               | 9.3              |
| January - February                          |           | 694.9          | 706.9               | 1.7              |
| <b>Investment Goods - Total</b>             |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | <b>269.4</b>   | <b>363.7</b>        | <b>35.0</b>      |
| January - February                          |           | <b>609.5</b>   | <b>756.3</b>        | <b>24.1</b>      |
| <b>Machinery and Equipment</b>              |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | 176.5          | 229.0               | 29.7             |
| January - February                          |           | 416.3          | 465.3               | 11.8             |
| <b>Other Investment Goods</b>               |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | 92.9           | 134.7               | 45.0             |
| January - February                          |           | 193.2          | 291.0               | 50.6             |
| <b>Total Imports <sup>(b)</sup></b>         |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                                    |           | <b>1,464.2</b> | <b>1,833.8</b>      | <b>25.2</b>      |
| January - February                          |           | <b>3,249.7</b> | <b>3,637.1</b>      | <b>11.9</b>      |

(a) Provisional

(b) Data from the Sri Lanka Customs have been adjusted to include accurate monthly values of imports of fuel which are recorded with a lag in customs data. Those data are obtained directly from relevant institutions for the adjustment.

Sources: Ceylon Petroleum Corporation  
Lanka IOC PLC  
Sri Lanka Customs  
Central Bank of Sri Lanka

## EXTERNAL TRADE - COMPOSITION OF EXPORTS

| Item                               | Unit      | 2025           | 2026 <sup>(a)</sup> | Y-o-Y Change (%) |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----------------|---------------------|------------------|
| <b>Major Exports</b>               |           |                |                     |                  |
| <b>Tea</b>                         | Rs. Mn.   |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 35,442         | 35,574              | 0.4              |
| January - February                 |           | 68,820         | 73,301              | 6.5              |
| <b>Rubber</b>                      |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 886            | 910                 | 2.7              |
| January - February                 |           | 1,876          | 1,649               | (12.1)           |
| <b>Coconut</b>                     |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 12,338         | 14,712              | 19.2             |
| January - February                 |           | 22,721         | 28,402              | 25.0             |
| <b>Spices</b>                      |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 11,237         | 11,853              | 5.5              |
| January - February                 |           | 22,395         | 23,165              | 3.4              |
| <b>Minor Agricultural Products</b> |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 2,975          | 4,477               | 50.5             |
| January - February                 |           | 6,463          | 11,137              | 72.3             |
| <b>Textile and Garments</b>        |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 127,125        | 119,395             | (6.1)            |
| January - February                 |           | 263,766        | 258,305             | (2.1)            |
| <b>Gems Diamonds and Jewellery</b> |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 8,214          | 10,601              | 29.1             |
| January - February                 |           | 19,384         | 22,677              | 17.0             |
| <b>Rubber Products</b>             |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 23,785         | 23,344              | (1.9)            |
| January - February                 |           | 45,026         | 46,748              | 3.8              |
| <b>Petroleum Products</b>          |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 24,074         | 22,461              | (6.7)            |
| January - February                 |           | 45,846         | 46,955              | 2.4              |
| <b>Mineral Exports</b>             |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 420            | 1,063               | 153.0            |
| January - February                 |           | 737            | 2,700               | 266.3            |
| <b>Other Exports</b>               |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 66,016         | 82,843              | 25.5             |
| January - February                 |           | 127,294        | 167,906             | 31.9             |
| <b>Total Exports<sup>(b)</sup></b> |           |                |                     |                  |
| <b>February</b>                    |           | <b>312,514</b> | <b>327,232</b>      | <b>4.7</b>       |
| <b>January - February</b>          |           | <b>624,329</b> | <b>682,946</b>      | <b>9.4</b>       |
| <b>Major Exports</b>               |           |                |                     |                  |
| <b>Tea</b>                         | US \$ Mn. |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 119.4          | 115.0               | (3.7)            |
| January - February                 |           | 232.1          | 236.8               | 2.0              |
| <b>Rubber</b>                      |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 3.0            | 2.9                 | (1.5)            |
| January - February                 |           | 6.3            | 5.3                 | (15.8)           |
| <b>Coconut</b>                     |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 41.6           | 47.6                | 14.4             |
| January - February                 |           | 76.6           | 91.8                | 19.8             |
| <b>Spices</b>                      |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 37.9           | 38.3                | 1.2              |
| January - February                 |           | 75.5           | 74.8                | (0.9)            |
| <b>Minor Agricultural Products</b> |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 10.0           | 14.5                | 44.4             |
| January - February                 |           | 21.8           | 36.0                | 65.1             |
| <b>Textile and Garments</b>        |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 428.3          | 385.9               | (9.9)            |
| January - February                 |           | 889.7          | 834.5               | (6.2)            |
| <b>Gems Diamonds and Jewellery</b> |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 27.7           | 34.3                | 23.8             |
| January - February                 |           | 65.4           | 73.3                | 12.0             |
| <b>Rubber Products</b>             |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 80.1           | 75.5                | (5.8)            |
| January - February                 |           | 151.9          | 151.0               | (0.5)            |
| <b>Petroleum Products</b>          |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 81.1           | 72.6                | (10.5)           |
| January - February                 |           | 154.6          | 151.7               | (1.9)            |
| <b>Mineral Exports</b>             |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 1.4            | 3.4                 | 142.7            |
| January - February                 |           | 2.5            | 8.7                 | 250.9            |
| <b>Other Exports</b>               |           |                |                     |                  |
| February                           |           | 222.4          | 267.8               | 20.4             |
| January - February                 |           | 429.3          | 542.5               | 26.4             |
| <b>Total Exports<sup>(b)</sup></b> |           |                |                     |                  |
| <b>February</b>                    |           | <b>1,052.9</b> | <b>1,057.8</b>      | <b>0.5</b>       |
| <b>January - February</b>          |           | <b>2,105.7</b> | <b>2,206.5</b>      | <b>4.8</b>       |

(a) Provisional

(b) Data from the Sri Lanka Customs have been adjusted to include accurate monthly values of exports of petroleum products and gems, diamonds and jewellery which are recorded with a lag in customs data. Those data are obtained directly from relevant institutions for the adjustment.

Sources: Ceylon Petroleum Corporation and other exporters of petroleum  
National Gem and Jewellery Authority  
Sri Lanka Customs  
Central Bank of Sri Lanka

## EXTERNAL TRADE - MAJOR EXPORTS &amp; IMPORTS (VOLUMES AND PRICES)

| Item                           | Unit         | February   |                     |                  |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------------|---------------------|------------------|
|                                |              | 2025       | 2026 <sup>(a)</sup> | Y-o-Y Change (%) |
| <b>Export Volume</b>           |              |            |                     |                  |
| Tea                            | Mn. Kg       | 20.4       | 19.9                | (2.3)            |
| Rubber                         | Mn. Kg       | 0.9        | 0.9                 | 3.8              |
| Coconut                        | Mn. Nuts     | 38.3       | 67.8                | 77.0             |
| <b>Export Prices</b>           |              |            |                     |                  |
| Tea                            | Rs./ kg      | 1,737.51   | 1,785.76            | 2.8              |
|                                | US \$/ kg    | 5.85       | 5.77                | (1.4)            |
| Rubber                         | Rs./ kg      | 999.84     | 988.52              | (1.1)            |
|                                | US \$/ kg    | 3.37       | 3.20                | (5.1)            |
| Coconut                        | Rs./ Nut     | 125.12     | 110.43              | (11.7)           |
|                                | US \$/ Nut   | 0.42       | 0.36                | (15.3)           |
| <b>Average Gross Price</b>     |              |            |                     |                  |
| Tea                            | Rs./ kg      | 1,187.06   | 1,163.10            | (2.0)            |
| Rubber <sup>(b)</sup>          | Rs./ kg      | -          | -                   | -                |
| Coconut                        | Rs./ Nut     | 140.00     | 100.26              | (28.4)           |
| <b>Quantity Sold</b>           |              |            |                     |                  |
| Tea                            | Mn. Kg       | 19.6       | 19.1                | (2.2)            |
| <b>Import Volumes</b>          |              |            |                     |                  |
| Rice                           | MT '000      | 5.3        | 1.0                 | (81.5)           |
| Wheat & Maize                  | MT '000      | 45.6       | 40.6                | (10.9)           |
| Sugar                          | MT '000      | 73.6       | 28.5                | (61.3)           |
| Crude Oil                      | Barrels '000 | 730.5      | 1,452.5             | 98.8             |
| <b>Import Prices (Average)</b> |              |            |                     |                  |
| Rice                           | Rs./MT       | 163,473.87 | 335,610.79          | 105.3            |
|                                | US\$/MT      | 550.78     | 1,084.84            | 97.0             |
| Wheat and Maize                | Rs./MT       | 96,541.95  | 92,995.22           | (3.7)            |
|                                | US\$/MT      | 325.27     | 300.60              | (7.6)            |
| Sugar                          | Rs./MT       | 173,154.96 | 161,963.88          | (6.5)            |
|                                | US\$/MT      | 583.40     | 523.54              | (10.3)           |
| Crude Oil                      | Rs./Barrel   | 22,652.89  | 20,626.65           | (8.9)            |
|                                | US\$/Barrel  | 76.32      | 66.67               | (12.6)           |

(a) Provisional

(b) In February 2025 and February 2026, rubber (RSS) prices for were not determined at the auction

Sources: Ceylon Petroleum Corporation and other Exporters of Petroleum  
Lanka IOC PLC  
National Gem and Jewellery Authority  
Colombo Tea Brokers' Association  
Colombo Rubber Traders' Association  
Coconut Development Authority  
Sri Lanka Customs  
Central Bank of Sri Lanka



## 29. TOURISM

| Item  | Unit     | 2025    | 2026 <sup>(a)</sup>    | Y-o-Y Change |
|---|----------|---------|------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Tourist Arrivals</b>                             |          |         |                        |              |
| March   | Number   | 229,298 | 183,979                | (19.8)       |
| January - March                                     |          | 722,276 | 740,634                | 2.5          |
| <b>Earnings from Tourism</b>                        |          |         |                        |              |
| March   | US\$ Mn. | 354     | 224 <sup>(b)</sup>     | (36.8)       |
| January - March                                     |          | 1,122   | 954 <sup>(b)</sup>     | (15.0)       |
| March   | Rs. Mn.  | 104,759 | 69,765 <sup>(b)</sup>  | (33.4)       |
| January - March                                     |          | 332,527 | 295,799 <sup>(b)</sup> | (11.0)       |
| <b>Workers' Remittances (Inflows)<sup>(c)</sup></b> |          |         |                        |              |
| March   | US\$ Mn. | 693     | 815                    | 17.5         |
| January - March                                     |          | 1,814   | 2,295                  | 26.5         |

(a) Provisional

(b) Based on the survey conducted by the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority in 2026

(c) Workers' remittances may include other remittances, such as those received following Cyclone Ditwah.

Sources: Central Bank of Sri Lanka  
Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority

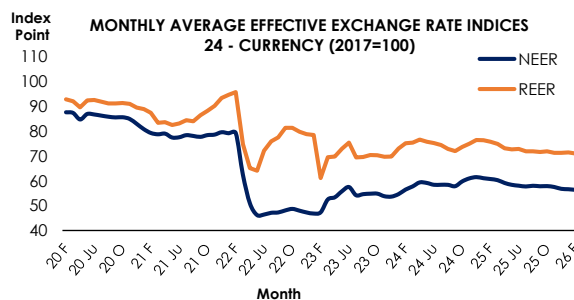
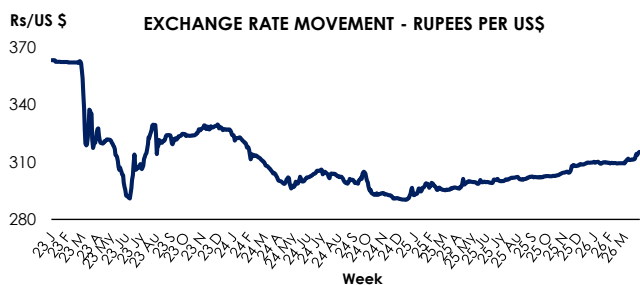
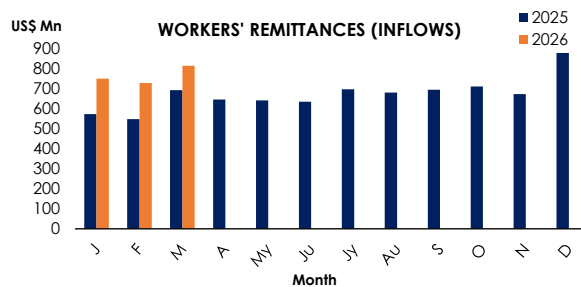
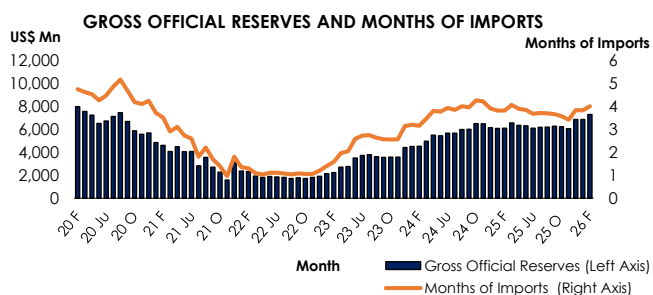
### 30. INTERNATIONAL FINANCE

| Item   | Unit              | 2024<br>December  | 2025<br>December | 2026<br>January   | 2026<br>February |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| <b>External Assets <sup>(a)</sup></b>        |                   |                   |                  |                   |                  |
| Gross Official Reserves (GOR) <sup>(b)</sup> | US\$ Mn.          | 6,122             | 6,838            | 6,832             | 7,270            |
|  | Rs. Mn.           | 1,791,191         | 2,119,765        | 2,114,454         | 2,248,631        |
| Reserve Adequacy of GOR                      | Months of Imports | 3.9               | 3.8              | 3.8               | 4.0              |
| Total Reserves (TR)                          | US\$ Mn.          | 11,230            | 12,306           | 12,408            | 12,970           |
|  | Rs. Mn.           | 3,285,710         | 3,814,648        | 3,840,281         | 4,011,593        |
| Reserve Adequacy of TR                       | Months of Imports | 7.2               | 6.9              | 6.9               | 7.1              |
| <b>Outstanding Forex Swap Liabilities</b>    |                   |                   |                  |                   |                  |
| International Swaps                          | US\$ Mn.          | 2,969             | 2,072            | 1,998             | 1,923            |
| Domestic Swaps                               | US\$ Mn.          | 1,318             | 1,921            | 1,871             | 2,030            |
| <b>Exchange Rates (Period Avg.)</b>          |                   | <b>2025 March</b> |                  | <b>2026 March</b> |                  |
|  | Rs./USD           | 295.9090          |                  | 311.9129          |                  |
|  | Rs./GBP           | 381.6842          |                  | 416.3246          |                  |
|  | Rs./INR           | 3.4152            |                  | 3.3619            |                  |
|  | Rs./JPY           | 1.9840            |                  | 1.9651            |                  |
|  | Rs./EUR           | 319.3432          |                  | 360.5218          |                  |
|  | Rs./SDR           | 393.0167          |                  | 424.7572          |                  |
| <b>Forward Exchange Rates <sup>(c)</sup></b> |                   |                   |                  | <b>2026 March</b> |                  |
| One month                                    | Rs. / USD         |                   |                  | 315.54            |                  |
| Three months                                 |                   |                   |                  | -                 |                  |
| Six months                                   |                   |                   |                  | 320.85            |                  |

| <b>Indices of Nominal Effective Exchange Rate (NEER) and Real Effective Exchange Rate (REER) - 24 Currency Basket (Period Avg.)</b> |               |               |
|---|---------------|---------------|
|   | 2025 February | 2026 February |
| NEER (2017 = 100) <sup>(d)</sup>  | 60.73         | 56.37         |
| REER (2017 = 100) <sup>(e)</sup>  | 75.78         | 71.03         |

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

- (a) Reserve data have been revised to include balances in DST's special yen accounts in consultation with IMF, and placement for war risk insurance. From October 2002 external assets are calculated at market values.
- (b) This includes proceeds from the PBOC swap arrangement, which is subject to conditionalities on usability
- (c) Average for the last five working days of the month of March based on actual transactions.
- (d) The NEER is the weighted average of nominal exchange rates of the 24 trading partner and competitor countries. Weights are based on the trade shares reflecting the relative importance of each currency in the currency basket.
- (e) The REER is computed by adjusting the NEER for inflation differentials (based on CCPI) with the countries whose currencies are included in the basket. The REER Indices for 2025 are provisional.



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US \$ Mn

| CURRENT AND CAPITAL ACCOUNT                          | 2024 <sup>(b)</sup> |               |                | 2025 <sup>(c)</sup> |               |                |
|--|---------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------|----------------|
|  | Credit              | Debit         | Net            | Credit              | Debit         | Net            |
| <b>Goods and services</b>                            | <b>19,682</b>       | <b>22,317</b> | <b>(2,635)</b> | <b>20,647</b>       | <b>24,838</b> | <b>(4,191)</b> |
| <b>Goods <sup>(d)</sup></b>                          | <b>12,772</b>       | <b>18,841</b> | <b>(6,069)</b> | <b>13,581</b>       | <b>21,480</b> | <b>(7,899)</b> |
| General merchandise                                  | 12,772              | 18,837        | (6,065)        | 13,581              | 21,471        | (7,890)        |
| Non-monetary gold                                    |                     | 5             | (5)            |                     | 9             | (9)            |
| <b>Services</b>                                      | <b>6,910</b>        | <b>3,475</b>  | <b>3,435</b>   | <b>7,066</b>        | <b>3,359</b>  | <b>3,707</b>   |
| Manufacturing services                               | 27                  | 213           | (186)          | 20                  | 116           | (96)           |
| Maintenance and repair services n.i.e                | 56                  | 19            | 37             | 27                  | 62            | (35)           |
| Transport  | 1,794               | 1,017         | 777            | 1,883               | 996           | 888            |
| Sea Transport  | 1,177               | 441           | 736            | 1,393               | 409           | 985            |
| Passenger  | 1                   | 1             | 0.2            | 0.4                 | 0.1           | 0.3            |
| Freight  | 770                 | 411           | 359            | 795                 | 366           | 429            |
| Other  | 406                 | 29            | 377            | 598                 | 43            | 555            |
| Air transport  | 616                 | 570           | 46             | 489                 | 585           | (97)           |
| Passenger  | 281                 | 279           | 2              | 337                 | 202           | 135            |
| Freight  | 51                  | 173           | (122)          | 35                  | 297           | (262)          |
| Other  | 283                 | 118           | 165            | 116                 | 86            | 30             |
| Postal and courier services                          | 0.8                 | 6             | (6)            | 0.8                 | 1             | (1)            |
| Travel <sup>(e)</sup>                                | 3,169               | 755           | 2,413          | 3,219               | 829           | 2,391          |
| Construction   | 212                 | 127           | 86             | 132                 | 37            | 96             |
| Insurance and pension services                       | 24                  | 57            | (34)           | 21                  | 50            | (29)           |
| Financial services                                   | 55                  | 65            | (9)            | 46                  | 21            | 25             |
| Charges for the use of intellectual property         | 7                   | 148           | (141)          | 12                  | 165           | (153)          |
| Telecommunication, computer and information services | 971                 | 244           | 727            | 903                 | 297           | 606            |
| Telecommunication services                           | 123                 | 51            | 73             | 103                 | 34            | 69             |
| Computer services                                    | 848                 | 194           | 654            | 800                 | 263           | 537            |
| Other business services                              | 540                 | 563           | (23)           | 774                 | 756           | 18             |
| Personal, cultural and recreational services         | 19                  | 15            | 4              | 15                  | 24            | (9)            |
| Government goods and services n.i.e.                 | 36                  | 251           | (215)          | 13                  | 7             | 5              |
| <b>Primary Income</b>                                | <b>609</b>          | <b>3,207</b>  | <b>(2,598)</b> | <b>580</b>          | <b>2,616</b>  | <b>(2,036)</b> |
| Compensation of employees                            | 146                 | 20            | 126            | 229                 | 28            | 201            |
| Investment Income                                    | 463                 | 3,187         | (2,724)        | 350                 | 2,587         | (2,237)        |
| Direct Investment                                    | 73                  | 940           | (868)          | 78                  | 1,137         | (1,059)        |
| Dividends  | 61                  | 770           | (710)          | 61                  | 871           | (809)          |
| Re-invested earnings                                 | 12                  | 170           | (158)          | 16                  | 266           | (250)          |
| Portfolio Investment                                 | -                   | 877           | (877)          | -                   | 449           | (449)          |
| Equity   | -                   | 86            | (86)           | -                   | 51            | (51)           |
| Interest   | -                   | 791           | (791)          | -                   | 398           | (398)          |
| short-term   | -                   | 25            | (25)           | -                   | 0.5           | (0.5)          |
| long-term  | -                   | 766           | (766)          | -                   | 398           | (398)          |
| Other Investment                                     | 271                 | 1,369         | (1,098)        | 125                 | 1,002         | (877)          |
| Reserve assets                                       | 119                 | -             | 119            | 148                 | -             | 148            |
| <b>Secondary Income</b>                              | <b>6,585</b>        | <b>146</b>    | <b>6,439</b>   | <b>8,077</b>        | <b>130</b>    | <b>7,947</b>   |
| General Government <sup>(f)</sup>                    | 10                  | -             | 10             | 1                   | -             | 1              |
| Personal transfers                                   | 6,575               | 146           | 6,429          | 8,076               | 130           | 7,946          |
| Worker's remittances <sup>(g)</sup>                  | 6,575               | -             | -              | 8,076               | -             | -              |
| <b>Current Account</b>                               | <b>26,877</b>       | <b>25,669</b> | <b>1,207</b>   | <b>29,304</b>       | <b>27,584</b> | <b>1,719</b>   |
| <b>Capital Account</b>                               | <b>20</b>           | <b>8</b>      | <b>12</b>      | <b>2</b>            | <b>9</b>      | <b>(7)</b>     |
| Capital Transfers                                    | 20                  | 8             | 12             | 2                   | 9             | (7)            |
| General Government <sup>(h)</sup>                    | 18                  | -             | 18             | 2                   | -             | 2              |
| Private Capital Transfers                            | 2                   | 8             | (7)            | 0.4                 | 9             | (9)            |
| <b>Current Account + Capital Account</b>             | <b>26,896</b>       | <b>25,678</b> | <b>1,219</b>   | <b>29,306</b>       | <b>27,593</b> | <b>1,712</b>   |

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(a) The above presentation conforms as far as possible to the Balance of Payments Manual (BPM), 6<sup>th</sup> edition (2009) of the International Monetary Fund (IMF)

(b) Revised

(c) Provisional

(d) Exports and imports are recorded on f.o.b. and c.i.f. valuation basis, respectively.

(e) Passenger services provided for non-residents are included in transport services.

(f) Includes outright grants received in the form of programme, food and commodity aid, cash and technical assistance.

(g) Workers' remittances may include other remittances, such as those received following Cyclone Dittwah.

(h) Includes outright grants received in the form of project aid.

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US \$ Mn

| FINANCIAL ACCOUNT  | 2024 <sup>(b)</sup>           |                                     | 2025 <sup>(c)</sup>           |                                     |
|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|  | Net Incurrence of liabilities | Net acquisition of financial assets | Net Incurrence of liabilities | Net acquisition of financial assets |
| <b>Financial Account</b>                                       | <b>1,005</b>                  | <b>1,970</b>                        | <b>527</b>                    | <b>1,431</b>                        |
| <b>Direct Investments</b>                                      | <b>759</b>                    | <b>110</b>                          | <b>1,044</b>                  | <b>98</b>                           |
| Equity and investment fund shares                              | 497                           | 106                                 | 352                           | 94                                  |
| Equity other than reinvestment of earnings                     | 327                           | 94                                  | 85                            | 78                                  |
| Direct investor in direct investment enterprise <sup>(h)</sup> | 327                           | 94                                  | 85                            | 78                                  |
| - BOI companies  | 85                            | -                                   | 23                            | -                                   |
| - CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)                      | 242                           | -                                   | 62                            | -                                   |
| - Other companies  | -                             | -                                   | -                             | -                                   |
| Reinvestment of earnings                                       | 170                           | 12                                  | 266                           | 16                                  |
| - BOI companies  | 135                           | -                                   | 194                           | -                                   |
| - CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)                      | 34                            | -                                   | 72                            | -                                   |
| - Other companies  | -                             | -                                   | -                             | -                                   |
| Debt Instruments   | 262                           | 4                                   | 692                           | 4                                   |
| Direct investor in direct investment enterprise <sup>(h)</sup> | 262                           | 4                                   | 692                           | 4                                   |
| - BOI companies  | 262                           | -                                   | 735                           | -                                   |
| Shareholder Advance  | 82                            | -                                   | 144                           | -                                   |
| Intra Company Borrowings                                       | 180                           | -                                   | 592                           | -                                   |
| Debt Repayments  | -                             | -                                   | -                             | -                                   |
| - CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)                      | -                             | -                                   | -                             | -                                   |
| - Other companies  | -                             | -                                   | (43)                          | -                                   |
| <b>Portfolio Investments</b>                                   | <b>302</b>                    | <b>180</b>                          | <b>(267)</b>                  | <b>(259)</b>                        |
| Equity and investment fund shares                              | 3                             | -                                   | (184)                         | -                                   |
| - CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)                      | 3                             | -                                   | (184)                         | -                                   |
| Debt securities  | 299                           | 180                                 | (83)                          | (259)                               |
| Deposit taking corporations, other than the Central Bank       | -                             | 180                                 | -                             | (259)                               |
| Long term  | -                             | 180                                 | -                             | (259)                               |
| General Government   | 286                           | -                                   | (95)                          | -                                   |
| Short-term (Treasury Bills)                                    | (217)                         | -                                   | (24)                          | -                                   |
| Long-term  | 504                           | -                                   | (71)                          | -                                   |
| Treasury Bonds   | 39                            | -                                   | 272                           | -                                   |
| SLDBs  | -                             | -                                   | -                             | -                                   |
| Sovereign Bonds  | 465                           | -                                   | (343)                         | -                                   |
| Other Sectors  | 13                            | -                                   | 12                            | -                                   |
| Long-term  | 13                            | -                                   | 12                            | -                                   |
| <b>Financial Derivatives</b>                                   | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>                            | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>                            |
| <b>Other Investment</b>  | <b>(56)</b>                   | <b>(3)</b>                          | <b>(250)</b>                  | <b>973</b>                          |
| <b>Currency &amp; deposits</b>                                 | <b>(868)</b>                  | <b>(73)</b>                         | <b>(498)</b>                  | <b>(374)</b>                        |
| Central Bank   | (900)                         | -                                   | (900)                         | -                                   |
| Short term   | (0.2)                         | -                                   | (0.0)                         | -                                   |
| Long term  | (900)                         | -                                   | (900)                         | -                                   |
| Deposit taking corporations, other than the Central Bank       | (900)                         | -                                   | (900)                         | -                                   |
| Short-term   | -                             | -                                   | -                             | -                                   |
| Long-term  | 33                            | (73)                                | 402                           | (374)                               |
| International swaps  | 33                            | (427)                               | 402                           | (49)                                |
| Accrued Interest on International Swaps                        | -                             | 354                                 | -                             | (325)                               |
| General Government   | -                             | -                                   | -                             | -                                   |
| Other sectors  | -                             | -                                   | -                             | -                                   |
| <b>Loans</b>   | <b>981</b>                    | <b>-</b>                            | <b>446</b>                    | <b>-</b>                            |
| Central Bank   | (210)                         | -                                   | (215)                         | -                                   |
| Credit and loans with the IMF                                  | (210)                         | -                                   | (215)                         | -                                   |
| Deposit taking corporations, except the Central Bank           | 14                            | -                                   | 138                           | -                                   |
| Short-term   | 145                           | -                                   | 218                           | -                                   |
| Long-term  | (131)                         | -                                   | (80)                          | -                                   |
| General Government   | 1,752                         | -                                   | 707                           | -                                   |
| Short-term   | -                             | -                                   | -                             | -                                   |
| Long-term  | 1,752                         | -                                   | 707                           | -                                   |
| Credit and loans with the IMF                                  | 335                           | -                                   | 891                           | -                                   |
| Disbursements  | 1,552                         | -                                   | 893                           | -                                   |
| Accrued Interest   | 455                           | -                                   | -                             | -                                   |
| Repayments   | (589)                         | -                                   | (1,077)                       | -                                   |
| Other sectors <sup>(i)</sup>                                   | (575)                         | -                                   | (183)                         | -                                   |
| Long term  | (575)                         | -                                   | (183)                         | -                                   |
| Disbursements  | 744                           | -                                   | 1,102                         | -                                   |
| Accrued Interest   | -                             | -                                   | -                             | -                                   |
| Repayments   | (1,319)                       | -                                   | (1,285)                       | -                                   |
| <b>Trade credits and advances</b>                              | <b>(170)</b>                  | <b>111</b>                          | <b>(199)</b>                  | <b>369</b>                          |
| Deposit taking corporations, except the                        | -                             | 61                                  | -                             | 14                                  |
| Short term   | -                             | 61                                  | -                             | 14                                  |
| Other sectors <sup>(i)</sup>                                   | (170)                         | 50                                  | (199)                         | 355                                 |
| Short term   | (170)                         | 50                                  | (199)                         | 355                                 |
| <b>Other accounts receivable/payable</b>                       | <b>-</b>                      | <b>(42)</b>                         | <b>-</b>                      | <b>978</b>                          |
| Central Bank   | -                             | -                                   | -                             | -                                   |
| Short term <sup>(k)</sup>                                      | -                             | -                                   | -                             | -                                   |
| Deposit taking corporations, except the Central Bank           | -                             | (42)                                | -                             | 978                                 |
| Short term   | -                             | (42)                                | -                             | 978                                 |
| <b>Special Drawing Rights</b>                                  | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>                            | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>                            |
| <b>Reserve Assets</b>  | <b>-</b>                      | <b>1,682</b>                        | <b>-</b>                      | <b>618</b>                          |
| Monetary gold  | -                             | -                                   | -                             | 19                                  |
| Special drawing rights   | -                             | (30)                                | -                             | (3)                                 |
| Reserve position in the IMF                                    | -                             | -                                   | -                             | -                                   |
| Other reserve assets   | -                             | 1,713                               | -                             | 602                                 |
| Currency and deposits  | -                             | 103                                 | -                             | (134)                               |
| Claims on monetary authorities                                 | -                             | 437                                 | -                             | (523)                               |
| Claims on other entities                                       | -                             | (334)                               | -                             | 388                                 |
| Securities   | -                             | 1,569                               | -                             | 763                                 |
| Debt securities  | -                             | 1,569                               | -                             | 763                                 |
| Long term  | -                             | 1,569                               | -                             | 763                                 |
| Other claims   | -                             | 41                                  | -                             | (28)                                |
| <b>FINANCIAL ACCOUNT (NET) (Assets - Liabilities)</b>          | <b>-</b>                      | <b>965</b>                          | <b>-</b>                      | <b>904</b>                          |
| Errors and Omissions   | -                             | (254)                               | -                             | (808)                               |

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(h) Include Direct Investment to BOI, CSE and other private companies.

(i) Include State Owned Business Enterprises (SOBES) and private sector companies.

(j) Include trade credits received by the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation (CPC) and private sector companies.

(k) Net transactions of ACU liabilities