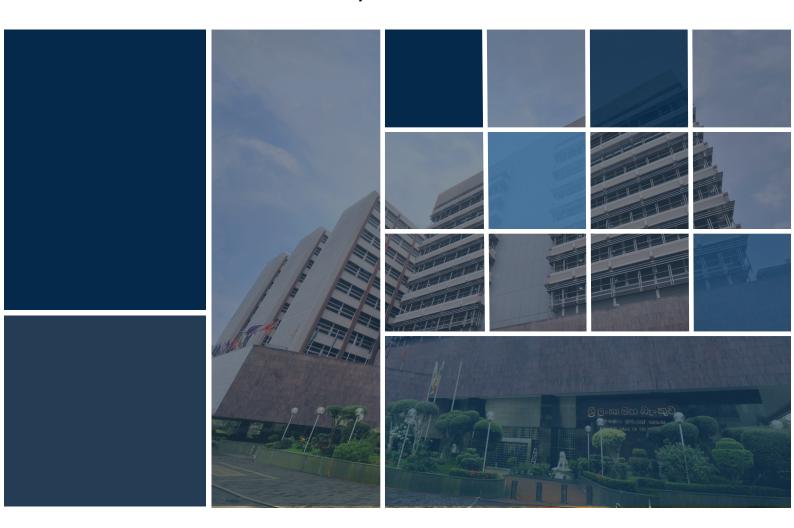
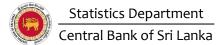
Weekly Economic Indicators

05th January 2018





Highlights of the Week



Real Sector

During the first eleven months of 2017, the domestic tea production increased due to the increasing trend in prices at the Colombo Tea Auction and production of rubber increased marginally due to the increasing global demand. Meanwhile, the coconut production declined considerably during the similar period.

At the beginning of the week WTI crude oil price rose due to strong demand while Brent price fell as the U.S. production is set to rise further. However, subsequently prices rose to their highest levels seen since late 2014 amid political tensions in Iran and due to the ongoing OPEC-led production cuts. Price increases were further supported by a severe winter storm that disrupted services at refineries in the U.S. Atlantic coast. Overall, both Brent and WTI prices rose by US\$ 1.3 and US\$ 1.7 per barrel, respectively, within the week.



Monetary Sector

Weekly AWPR for the week ending 05 January 2018 declined by 09 bps to 11.46% compared to the previous week.

Broad money (M2b) expanded by 17.9 %, on a year-on-year basis, in November 2017. Net Credit to the Government from the banking system showed a decline of Rs. 51.9 bn in November 2017.

Credit to public corporations recorded an increase of Rs. 7.0 bn in November 2017. Credit extended to the private sector increased by Rs. 61.6 bn in November 2017.

The reserve money decreased compared to the previous week mainly due to decrease in currency in circulation.

The total outstanding market liquidity decreased to a surplus of Rs. 73.85 bn by end of the week, compared to Rs. 9.73 bn by the end of last week.

By 05 January 2018, the All Share Price Index (ASPI) increased by 2.28% to 6,515 points and the S&P SL20 Index increased by 3.06% to 3,784 points, compared to the previous week.



Fiscal Sector

Government revenue as a percentage of estimated GDP increased to 10.2 per cent during the first nine months of 2017 from 9.6 per cent recorded in the corresponding period of 2016. As a result, the average monthly revenue (AMR) increased to Rs. 147.6 billion during the period under review from Rs. 131.0 billion recorded in the corresponding period of 2016.

The total expenditure and net lending during the first nine months of 2017 increased to 14.5 per cent of estimated GDP from 13.7 per cent recorded in the corresponding period of 2016. Accordingly, recurrent expenditure increased to 11.1 per cent of GDP during the first nine months of 2017 from 10.6 per cent in the corresponding period of 2016 while capital expenditure and net lending also increased to 3.5 per cent from 3.1 per cent in 2016.

The overall budget deficit as a per cent of GDP increased to 4.3 per cent during the first nine months of 2017 from 4.1 per cent in the corresponding period of 2016.

The primary account was in surplus of Rs. 15.8 billion during first nine months of 2017 compared to the deficit of Rs. 34.2 billion during the same period of 2016.

Net domestic financing during the first nine months of 2017 declined to Rs. 244.0 billion compared to Rs. 285.1 billion in the corresponding period of 2016, whereas net foreign financing increased to Rs. 315.4 billion in comparison to Rs. 220.9 billion recorded in the corresponding period of 2016. Further, net financing from domestic banking sector increased to Rs. 218.2 billion for the period under review of 2017 and Rs. 141.1 billion recorded in the corresponding period of the previous year.

Total outstanding debt increased by Rs. 881.8 billion to Rs. 10,269.1 billion as at end September 2017 from Rs. 9,387.3 billion as at end 2016.



External Sector

During the year up to 05 January 2018 the Sri Lanka rupee depreciated against the US dollar (0.5 per cent). Given the cross currency exchange rate movements, the Sri Lanka rupee depreciated against the pound sterling (1.3 per cent), euro (1.6 per cent), Japanese yen (0.5 per cent) and Indian rupee (1.6 per cent) during this period.

The gross official reserves were estimated at US dollars 7,952.58 million as at 31st December 2017.

Real Sector

1.1 Price Indices

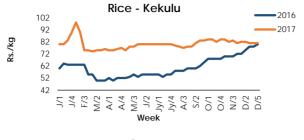
ltem (2013=100)	Nov 2017	Month Ago	Year Ago	NCPI - Year-on-Year %
National Consumer Price Index (NCPI) - Headline	126.4	124.8	116.6	but out
Monthly Change %	1.3	1.2	1.7	Per cent
Annual Average Change %	7.5	7.1	4.0	_
Year - on - Year Change %	8.4	8.8	4.1	2016
National Consumer Price Index (NCPI) - Core	123.8	123.1	120.4	
Annual Average Change %	5.2	5.6	5.8	J F M A M J Jy Au S O N D
Year - on - Year Change %	2.8	4.1	6.8	Month
Item	Dec	Month	Year	
(2013=100)	2017	Ago	Ago	CCPI - Year-on-Year %
Colombo Consumer Price Index (CCPI) - Headline	122.9	122.2	114.7	
Monthly Change %	0.6	1.2	1.0	tue /
Annual Average Change %	6.6	6.4	4.0	Per cent
Year - on - Year Change %	7.1	7.6	4.5	
National Consumer Price Index (CCPI) - Core	124.9	124.7	119.8	3 —2016
Annual Average Change %	5.9	6.0	4.4	
Year - on - Year Change %	4.3	5.2	5.8	JFMAuMJJyASOND Month

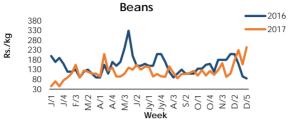
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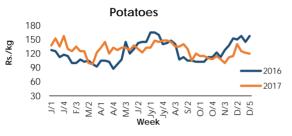
1.2 Prices

1.2.1 Pettah Market

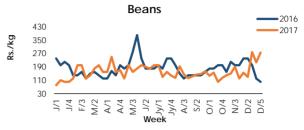
		Average Wholesale Prices			Average Retail Prices			
Food Item	Week Ending 05 th Jan 2018	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago Annual Avg	Week Ending ^{05th Jan 2018}	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago Annual Avg
		Rs /	′ Kg			Rs /	/ Kg	
Rice								
Samba	106.00	104.00	104.75	94.82	110.00	110.00	110.00	99.92
Kekulu (Red)	81.00	82.00	81.50	80.30	88.00	89.00	89.75	86.84
Vegetables								
Beans	132.00	245.00	202.00	118.56	198.00	275.00	250.00	163.50
Cabbage	68.00	80.00	87.00	75.37	115.00	140.00	142.50	119.69
Carrots	100.00	100.00	106.00	120.95	138.00	140.00	150.75	163.42
Tomatoes	50.00	115.00	84.75	93.73	80.00	150.00	120.50	134.12
Pumpkins	48.00	45.00	52.50	61.84	74.00	75.00	78.75	83.33
Snake Gourd	100.00	100.00	115.00	96.74	130.00	140.00	156.75	134.00
Brinjals	160.00	220.00	159.25	94.90	195.00	260.00	193.75	132.54
Ash-Plantains	90.00	n.a.	91.67	73.41	123.00	n.a.	121.25	108.67
Other Foods								
Red-Onions (Local)	365.00	460.00	456.75	250.84	450.00	510.00	515.00	303.56
Big-Onions (Local)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	110.80	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	137.20
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	118.00	120.00	120.50	127.34	160.00	160.00	155.50	155.00
Dried Chilies (Imported)	210.00	235.00	222.50	189.80	255.00	270.00	261.25	236.54
Dhal (Indian)	113.00	115.00	115.25	135.31	130.00	130.00	129.50	151.46
Eggs	11.00	12.00	12.75	11.96	12.00	13.00	13.75	12.63
Coconut (Each)	74.00	80.00	79.75	61.72	85.00	85.00	87.25	74.31
Fish*								
Kelawalla	480.00	600.00	555.00	540.63	700.00	900.00	800.00	807.87
Balaya	320.00	330.00	317.50	301.46	420.00	420.00	425.00	404.68
Salaya	140.00	160.00	140.00	116.88	200.00	200.00	193.33	179.79
Paraw (Small)	500.00	550.00	500.00	538.02	600.00	650.00	606.67	647.62
* Prices collected from the Fisheries Trade Centre, Peliyago	da.							

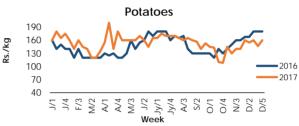






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1.2.2 Dambulla Market

	Week Endin	g 04 th Jan 2018
Item (Rs / Kg)	Wholesale (Average)	Retail (Average)
Rice		
Samba	109.00	113.00
Kekulu (Red)	85.00	88.20
Vegetables		
Beans	177.50	197.50
Carrot	111.00	131.00
Tomatoes	44.00	64.00
Pumpkins	41.25	61.25
Snake Gourd	65.63	85.63
Ash-Plantains	81.00	101.00
Other Foods		
Red-Onions (Local)	n.a.	n.a.
Big-Onions (Local)	n.a.	n.a.
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	113.75	125.00
Dried Chilies(Imported)	205.00	218.00
Coconut (Each)	66.50	72.60

1.2.4 Marandagahamula Market

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Average wholesale price of Rice						
Item (Rs / Kg)	Week Ending 05 th Jan 2018	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago		
Samba	104.00	104.63	104.33	92.96		
Sudu Kekulu	90.13	90.75	89.89	83.16		
Raw Red	81.75	83.25	83.67	80.21		
Nadu	95.38	96.75	96.36	87.93		

1.2.3 Narahenpita Economic Centre

Item (Rs / Kg)

Average Retail Prices

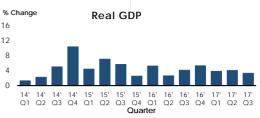
Week Ago

04th Jan 2018

110.00	108.00
88.00	87.00
240.00	240.00
180.00	180.00
160.00	140.00
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100.00	120.00
180.00	240.00
280.00	200.00
160.00	160.00
360.00	480.00
100.00	140.00
70.00	80.00
245.00	230.00
130.00	125.00
13.00	14.00
70.00	90.00
650.00	500.00
480.00	380.00
140.00	140.00
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1.3 GDP by Industrial Origin at Constant (2010) Prices - Growth Rates in value added terms

Item	2015 Annual (a)(b)	2016 Annual (a)	2016 3 rd Qtr (a)(b)	2017 3 rd Qtr (a)	% Change
Agriculture	4.8	-4.2	-2.0	-3.3	12
Industry	2.1	6.7	5.9	1.9	8
Services	5.7	4.2	4.8	4.3	4
Taxes less subsidies on products	7.5	6.2	5.6	5.5	0 14' 14' 1- Q1 Q2 Q
GDP	4.8	4.4	4.6	3.3	

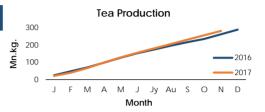


(a) Provisional (b) Revised

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

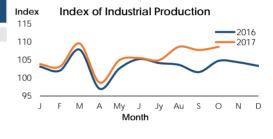
1.4 Agriculture Production

ltem	Unit	2017(a) Jan - Nov	2016 Jan - Nov	% Change
Tea	(Mn Kg)	281.49	265.39	6.06
Rubber	(Mn Kg)	75.50	73.99	2.03
Coconut	(Mn Kg)	2,273.79	2,767.08	-17.83
(a) Provisional				



1.5 Index of Industrial Production (IIP) (2015 = 100) (a)

ltem	2017 Oct(b)	2016 Oct (c)	% Change
Index of Industrial Production (IIP)	108.6	104.7	3.7
Food products	104.7	100.2	4.5
Wearing apparel	113.0	106.2	6.4
Other non-metallic mineral products	110.6	113.9	-2.9
Coke and refined petroleum products	105.4	98.0	7.5
Rubber and plastic products	112.7	106.0	6.3
Chemicals and chemical products	99.3	98.5	0.9
Beverages	99.5	117.2	-15.1

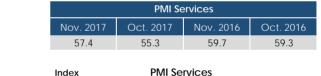


(a) Major 7 sub divisions (b) Provisional (c) Revised

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

1.6 Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI)

	PMI Manufacturing					
Month/Year	Nov. 2017	Oct. 2017	Nov. 2016	Oct. 2016		
Index	58.8	54.8	58.4	56.5		







1.7 Wages and Employment

1.7.1 Wages rate Indicies

ltem	2017 October	2016 October	% Change
Public Sector Employees (2012 = 100)	160.8	160.8	0.0
Informal Private Sector Employees (2012 = 100)	155.3	140.1	10.9
Agriculture	159.5	139.1	14.6
Industry	161.0	144.6	11.3
Services	148.0	136.1	8.7



1.7.2 Employment (a)

Item	2016 2 nd Quarter	2017 (b) 2 nd Quarter	2016 (b) Annual
Labour Force Participation rate	53.3	53.9	53.8
Unemployment rate	4.6	4.5	4.4

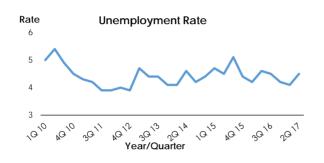
Employed Persons by Sectors (c) (as a % of total employment)						
Agriculture	25.1	26.0	27.1			
Industry	27.1	28.3	26.4			
Services	47.8	45.7	46.5			

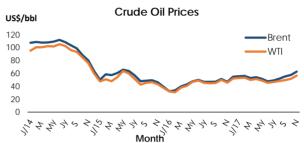
(a) The working age population aged 15 and above

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

(b) Provisional

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





1.8 Average Crude Oil Prices (a)

		2016			2017	
	Futures Pric	es (US\$/bbl)	CPC Import	Futures Pric	CPC Import	
Month	Brent	WTI	Prices (CIF)	Brent	WTI	Prices (CIF)
	(Benchmark	(Benchmark	(US\$/bbl)(*)	(Benchmark	(Benchmark	(US\$/bbl)(*)
	price)	price)		price)	price)	
January	32.23	32.09	31.87	55.67	52.83	57.39
February	33.63	30.84	35.36	55.99	53.41	58.65
March	39.69	37.88	36.85	52.76	49.92	-
April	42.86	40.74	44.05	53.98	51.27	56.48
May	47.57	46.86	48.84	51.59	48.77	51.66
June	49.82	48.84	50.95	47.71	45.34	48.47
July	46.88	45.32	46.10	49.02	46.56	49.75
August	46.90	44.61	46.71	51.87	48.18	53.07
September	47.20	45.13	46.99	55.31	49.65	57.06
October	51.38	49.91	52.70	57.52	51.56	59.53
November	46.98	45.78	47.66	62.79	56.68	65.62
December	54.74	52.04	55.69	63.92	57.82	
	20)16		20	17	
30 December	56.91	53.92		-	-	•
31 December	-	-		-	-	
	20)17		20	18	
01 January	-	-		-	-	
02 January	56.82	53.72		66.77	60.29	
03 January	57.13	54.03		66.57	60.41	
04 January	55.78	52.63		67.85	61.79	
05 January	56.28	53.15		68.04	61.97	

Sources: Bloomberg

Ceylon Petroleum Corporation

⁽a) Please note that crude oil prices are based on futures prices instead of spot prices, that have been published up to end 2017.

^(*) CPC import prices are not directly comparable with futures prices of WTI and Brent as CPC's import prices include freight charges and the price is weighted for average prices of different types of crude oil. Also part of the imports of CPC are on a term contract basis.

Monetary Sector

2.1 Interest Rates

Item	Week Ending 05 Jan 2018	Week Ago	Year Ago		
Policy Interest Rates					
Standing Deposit Facility Rate	7.25	7.25	7.00		
Standing Lending Facility Rate	8.75	8.75	8.50		
Average Weighted Call Money Rate (AWCMR) (Weekly Average)	8.15	8.15	8.38		
Sri Lanka Inter Bank Offered Rate (SLIBOR)					
1-day	8.15	8.15	8.38		
7-day	8.39	8.40	9.36		
1-Month	9.28	9.25	10.58		
3-Month	10.05	10.05	11.00		
6-Month	11.77	11.77	11.53		
12-Month	12.17	12.18	12.02		
Treasury Bill Yields (Excluding 10% withholding tax)					
91-day	-	-	8.78		
182-day	8.24	8.30	9.79		
364-day	8.90	8.90	10.22		
Licensed Commercial Banks					
Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR)	11.46	11.55	11.52		
	Nov-17	Month Ago	Year Ago		
Savings Deposits	0.50-09.50	0.50-09.50	0.50-9.00		
One Year Fixed Deposits	4.89-15.00	4.89-15.00	4.50-15.00		
	Dec-17	Month Ago	Year Ago		
Average Weighted Deposit Rate (AWDR)	9.07	9.19	8.17		
Average Weighted Fixed Deposit Rate (AWFDR)	11.48	11.69	10.46		
	Nov-17	Month Ago	Year Ago		
Average Weighted Lending Rate (AWLR)	13.89	13.89	13.11		
National Savings Bank (NSB)					
	Nov-17	Month Ago	Year Ago		
Savings Deposits	4.00	4.00	4.25		
One Year Fixed Deposits	11.00	11.00	11.00		
Traccury Dand Austian	02 Y & 11 Months	08 Y <u>&</u> 05	08 Y & 05 Months		
Treasury Bond Auction					

Treasury Bond Auction	02 Y & 11 Months	08 Y & 05 Months
reasary borta / action	28/12/2017	28/12/2017
Coupon rate	9.50	11.00
Weighted Average Yield (Excluding 10% withholding tax)	9.55	10.06

Bankwise- AWPR	Week ending 05 Jan 2018	Week Ago	Bankwise- AWPR	Week ending 05 Jan 2018	Week Ago
Bank of Ceylon	12.38	12.04	HSBC	9.21	9.21
People's Bank	13.21	12.31	Standard Chartered Bank	10.74	10.88
Hatton National Bank	12.50	11.63	Citi Bank	9.34	11.12
Commercial Bank of Ceylon	12.07	11.58	Deutsche Bank	10.50	10.21
Sampath Bank	12.85	11.34	Habib Bank	11.90	11.40
Seylan Bank	12.37	12.57	Indian Bank	12.83	12.90
Union Bank of Colombo	14.12	13.94	Indian Overseas Bank	13.33	13.40
Pan Asia Banking Corporation	12.06	16.05	MCB Bank	13.97	12.08
Nations Trust Bank	12.19	11.51	State Bank of India	11.84	11.99
DFCC Bank	12.89	13.12	Public Bank	13.00	13.28
NDB Bank	12.50	14.00	ICICI Bank	10.76	10.76
Amana Bank	12.60	12.60	Axis Bank	11.23	11.00
Cargills Bank	13.99	13.03			

2.2 Money Supply

		Rs. bn			Annual Change (%)		
ltem	2017 Nov(a)	Month Ago	Year Ago	2017 Nov(a)	Month Ago	Year Ago	
Reserve Money	911.62	915.38	798.97	14.10	15.47	22.71	
M1	751.29	743.19	720.20	4.32	2.14	7.59	
M2	5,549.95	5,532.51	4,683.23	18.51	19.84	18.69	
M2b	6,183.94	6,159.24	5,246.72	17.86	19.23	17.97	
Net Foreign Assets of the Banking System (b)	67.39	37.34	-286.93	123.49	113.16	8.47	
Monetary Authorities	824.66	792.20	476.26	73.15	63.71	-15.83	
Commercial Banks	-757.27	-754.86	-763.19	0.78	1.65	13.21	
Domestic Banking Units (DBUs)	-308.22	-298.39	-331.76	7.10	4.82	-6.83	
Offshore Banking Units (OBUs)	-449.05	-456.46	-431.42	-4.09	-0.54	24.14	
Net Domestic Assets of the Banking System (b)	6,116.55	6,121.90	5,533.65	10.53	12.34	16.23	
Net Credit to the Government	2,165.87	2,217.75	1,960.27	10.49	13.26	14.99	
Monetary Authorities	210.08	246.88	417.30	-49.66	-39.73	55.44	
Commercial Banks	1,955.79	1,970.87	1,542.97	26.76	27.27	7.43	
DBUs	1,586.47	1,602.01	1,256.52	26.26	27.72	17.69	
OBUs	369.32	368.86	286.45	28.93	25.38	-22.31	
Credit to Public Corporations	482.86	475.82	469.06	2.94	3.48	-10.48	
DBUs	295.99	298.95	274.39	7.87	9.65	6.57	
OBUs	186.88	176.87	194.67	-4.00	-5.51	-26.95	
Credit to the Private Sector	4,761.96	4,700.36	4,125.74	15.42	16.22	21.13	
DBUs	4,438.00	4,373.89	3,826.60	15.98	16.57	21.85	
OBUs	323.95	326.47	299.14	8.29	11.66	12.68	
Other Items (Net)	-1,294.13	-1,272.02	-1,021.42	-26.70	-25.56	-16.91	

(a) Provisional (b) In relation to M2b







2.3 Weekly change in Reserve Money

ltem	04 Jan 2018	Week Ago	Change
Reserve Money (Rs.Mn.)	933,875.70	940,305.94	-6,430.24



2.4 Money Market Activity (Overnight)

Item	02.01.2018	03.01.2018	04.01.2018	05.01.2018
Call Money Market				
Weighted Average Rate (% p.a.)	8.16	8.15	8.15	8.16
Gross Volume (Rs. Mn)	13,720	17,600	11,960	13,025
Repo Market				
Weighted Average Rate (% p.a.)	7.54	7.51	7.52	7.55
Gross Volume (Rs. Mn)	20,715	17,798	24,190	22,742

2.5 CBSL Securites Portfolio

Item	02.01.2018	03.01.2018	04.01.2018	05.01.2018
CBSL Treasury Bill Holdings -Face Value (Rs. Mn)	9,907.50	126,277.06	10,068.61	37,711.24
CBSL Treasury Bill Holdings -Book Value (Rs. Mn)	9,755.79	124,727.25	9,920.14	36,987.84

2.6 Open Market Operations

Item	02.01	.2018	03.01	2018	04.01	.2018	05.01.2018		
Short-Term Auction									
Repo Amount Offered (Rs. bn)	20.00	16.00	10.00	12.00	18	.00	37.00	10.00	
Reverse Repo Amount Offered (Rs. bn)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.	00	0.00	0.00	
Tenure (No. of Days)	1	7	1	1		1	1		7
Bids Received (Rs. bn)	14.31	17.50	12.30	6.50	12	.94	9.99	5	.05
Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)	14.31	16.00	10.00	6.50	12	.94	9.99	5	.00
Minimum Aaccepted Rate (% p.a)	7.25	7.30	7.25	7.31	7.	25	7.25	7	.31
Maximum Aaccepted Rate (% p.a)	7.25	7.32	7.25	7.31	7.	25	7.25	7	.31
Weighted Average Yield Rate (% p.a.)	7.25	7.31	7.25	7.31	7.	25	7.25	7.	.31
Outright Auctions									
Outright Sales Amount Offered (Rs. bn)	0.	00	0.0	00	3.00	4.50	4.50	2.50	6.00
Outright Purchase Amount Offered (Rs. bn)	0.	00	0.0	00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Settlement Date		-			05.01.2018	05.01.2018	08.01.2018	08.01.2018	08.01.201
Maturity Date		-			16.03.2018	23.03.2018	16.02.2018	09.03.2018	16.03.201
Tenure (No. of Days)	()	C)	70	77	39	60	67
Bids Received (Rs. bn)	0.	00	0.0	00	1.00	2.00	4.50	2.50	6.00
Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)	0.	00	0.0	00	1.00	2.00	4.50	2.50	6.00
Minimum Aaccepted Rate (% p.a)	0.	00	0.0	00	7.60	7.62	7.50	7.58	7.60
Maximum Aaccepted Rate (% p.a)	0.	00	0.0	00	7.60	7.62	7.50	7.58	7.60
Weighted Average Yield Rate (% p.a.)	0.	00	0.0	00	7.60	7.62	7.50	7.58	7.60
Long Term Auction									
Repo Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)	0.	00	0.0	00	0.	00		16.00	
Reverse Repo Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)	0.	00	0.0	00	0.	00		0.00	
Settlement Date		-				-		08.01.2018	
Maturity Date		-				-		22.01.2018	
Tenure (No. of Days))	(0		14	
Bids Received (Rs. bn)	0.	00	0.0	00	0.	00		0.00	
Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)	0.		0.0			00		0.00	
Minimum Aaccepted Rate (% p.a)		00	0.0			00		0.00	
Maximum Aaccepted Rate (% p.a)	0.		0.0			00		0.00	
Weighted Average Yield Rate (% p.a.)	0.	00	0.00		0.	00		0.00	
Standing Facility									
Standing Deposit Facility (Rs. bn)		312	8.0			944		32.231	
Standing Lending Facility (Rs. bn)	2.1	100	5.0	02	3.9	900		0.000	
Total Outstanding Market Liquidity (Rs. bn)	37.	023	35.	53	36.	479		73.846	

2.7 Credit Cards (a)

Item	2017	2017	2016
	End Nov (b)	End Oct	End Dec
Total Number of Active Cards	1,446,502	1,427,854	1,309,248
Local (accepted only locally)	24,260	24,432	29,109
Global (accepted globally)	1,422,242	1,403,422	1,280,139
Outstanding balance (Rs.mn)	84,863.15	83,267.54	74,892.00
Local (accepted only locally)	731.76	744.60	839.00
Global (accepted globally)	84,131.39	82,522.94	74,053.00
(a) Issued by Licensed Commercial Banks (LCBs) (b) Pro-	visional		

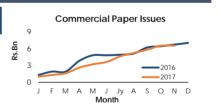
2.8 Commerical Paper Issues (a)

Item (Rs. bn.)	2017 End Nov (b)	2017 End Oct	2016 End Dec			
Total Issues - Cumulative (c)	6.5	6.5	7.0			
Outstanding (as at end of the period)	1.7	2.0	2.2			
(a) Based on the information provided by LCBs and Licensed Specialised Banks (LSBs)						



2.9 Share Market

ltem	Week Ending 05 Jan 2018	Week Ago	Year Ago
All Share Price Index (1985 = 100) (ASPI)	6,514.7	6,369.3	6,147.5
S&P Sri Lanka 20 Index (2004 = 1,000) (S&P SL20)	3,783.9	3,671.7	3,447.0
Average Daily Turnover (Rs. mn)	921.8	254.5	529.2
Market Capitalisation (Rs.bn)	2,973.1	2,899.3	2,709.8
Foreign Purchases (Rs. mn)	799.3	205.8	320.3
Foreign Sales (Rs. mn)	442.3	62.4	502.0
Net Foreign Purchases (Rs. mn)	357.1	143.4	-181.7

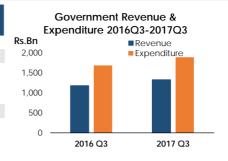




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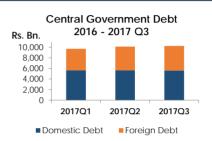
3.1 Goverment Finance (Rs.bn)

Item	2016 Q3	2017 Q3(a)
Revenue and Grants	1,180.0	1,330.6
Revenue	1,179.3	1,328.1
Tax	1,067.3	1,240.0
Non tax	112.0	88.2
Grants	0.7	2.4
Expenditure & Lending Minus Repayments	1,686.0	1,890.0
Recurrent	1,308.3	1,437.8
Capital & Lending Minus Repayments	377.7	452.1
(a) Provisional		



3.2 Outstanding Central Government Debt (Rs.bn)

Item	End 2016	2017 Q3(a)
Total domestic debt	5,341.5	5,630.9
of which		
Treasury bills	779.6	761.4
Treasury bonds	3,714.8	3,774.2
Rupee Ioans	24.1	24.1
Total foreign debt	4,045.8	4,638.3
Total outstanding govt. debt	9,387.3	10,269.1
(a) Provisional		



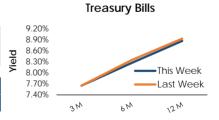
3.3 Government Securities - Primary and Secondary Market Yield Rates for the week ending -03rd January 2018

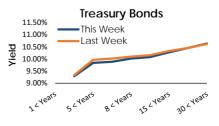
		Primary Market(a)			Secondary Market			
Security	Maturity				This Week		Last Week	
		This Week	Last Week	Buying	Selling	Average	Average	
	3 Months	-	-	7.75%	7.55%	7.65%	7.65%	
Treasury Bills	6 Months	8.24%	8.30%	8.35%	8.19%	8.27%	8.35%	
	12 Months	8.90%	8.90%	8.97%	8.77%	8.87%	8.93%	
	< 2 Years	-	-	9.34%	9.23%	9.29%	9.33%	
	< 5 Years	-	-	9.91%	9.77%	9.84%	9.97%	
	< 6 Years	-	-	9.94%	9.83%	9.89%	10.02%	
Transum, Danda(h)	< 8 Years	10.06%	-	10.06%	9.97%	10.02%	10.10%	
Treasury Bonds(b)	< 10 Years	-	-	10.12%	10.03%	10.08%	10.16%	
	< 15 Years	-	-	10.33%	10.23%	10.28%	10.33%	
	< 20 Years	-	-	10.51%	10.41%	10.46%	10.46%	
	< 30 Years	-	-	10.76%	10.51%	10.64%	10.62%	

⁽a) Primary market transactions during the week ending 03/01/2018

The secondary market yield rates of T-bills have decreased and secondary market yield rates of T-Bonds have shown a mixed behaviour during the reporting week.

Security	Maturity	Coupon Rate	Secondary Market		
security	Date	Сопроткате	This Week	Last Week	
	4-Oct-20	6.250%	4.09%	4.10%	
	27-Jul-21	6.250%	4.27%	4.25%	
	18-Jan-22	5.750%	4.48%	4.47%	
	25-Jul-22	5.875%	4.50%	4.51%	
International	14-Jan-19	6.000%	3.51%	3.48%	
Sovereign Bonds	11-Apr-19	5.125%	3.65%	3.67%	
	3-Jun-25	6.125%	5.16%	5.18%	
	3-Nov-25	6.850%	5.21%	5.24%	
	18-Jul-26	6.825%	5.30%	5.32%	
	11-May-27	6.200%	5.38%	5.41%	





⁽b) Weighted Average Yield Rate is calculated, if there are two or more yield rates within same maturity period

3.4 Goverment Securities - Weekly Summery of Primary and Secondary Market Transactions (Week Ended - 03rd January 2018)

ltom	Item	Volume in Rs Mn		
iteiii		This Week	Last Week	
Outstanding Stock of Government Securities				
Treasury Bills		841,075.07	807,119.98	
Treasury Bonds (a)		4,147,679.19	4,117,679.19	
Total		4,988,754.25	4,924,799.17	
T-bills and T-bonds held by Foreigners		321,954.26	324,315.66	
Sri Lanka Development Bonds (SLDB)		641,153.17	637,563.42	

The outstanding stock of T-bills and T-bonds held by foreigners has decreased by 0.73 per cent during the reporting week.

Dates and Marchael Andreas	Volume	in Rs Mn
Primary Market Activities	This Week	Last Week
Treasury Bills		
Amount Offered	23,500.00	12,500.00
Total Bids Received	57,063.00	36,230.00
Total Bids Accepted	23,500.00	12,500.00
Treasury Bonds		
Amount Offered	30,000.00	-
Total Bids Received	81,252.00	-
Total Bids Accepted	30,000.00	-

The weekly T-bill auction was over subscribed by 2.4 times and T-bond auction was over subscribed by 2.7 during the reporting week

Consulation Market Analysis	Volume in Rs Mn		
Secondary Market Activities	This Week	Last Week	
Treasury Bills			
Outright Transaction (Sales / Purchases)	15,578.24	18,279.26	
Repo Transaction (Sales / Purchases)	119,770.75	156,113.44	
Treasury Bonds			
Outright Transaction (Sales / Purchases)	36,519.20	30,999.78	
Repo Transaction (Sales / Purchases)	590,818.38	492,608.12	

The total secondary market transactions of T bills and T bonds increased by 9.27 per cent in the reporting week compared to the previous week.

(a) Excludes Treasury bonds amounting to Rs. 69,787 million issued to settle dues of CPC and to capitalize Sri Lankan Airlines.

3.5 Two way Qoutes (Treasury Bills) - 05/01/2017

Remaining Maturity	Average Buying Price	Yield %	Average Selling Price	Yield %	Buying & Selling Spread
1-7 Days	99.86	7.45	99.86	7.25	0.00
1 Month	99.38	7.54	99.40	7.34	0.02
2 Month	98.74	7.64	98.77	7.46	0.03
3 Month	98.09	7.75	98.14	7.56	0.05
4 Month	97.37	7.99	97.44	7.77	0.07
5 Month	96.65	8.14	96.73	7.96	0.08
6 Month	95.92	8.28	95.98	8.16	0.06
7 Month	95.13	8.46	95.23	8.29	0.10
8 Month	94.36	8.58	94.49	8.38	0.13
9 Month	93.57	8.69	93.72	8.49	0.14
10 Month	92.81	8.75	92.97	8.56	0.16
11 Month	92.03	8.81	92.20	8.63	0.17
12 Month	91.17	8.95	91.34	8.78	0.17

08.50%2018A	Treasury Bond By Series	Maturity Period (Years)	Maturity Date (DD/MM/YY)	Days to Maturity	Average Buying Price	Yield %	Average Selling Price	Yield %	Buying & Selling Spread
B8 B8 B8 B8 B8 B8 B8 B8	08.50%2018A		1-Feb-18	27		8.14		8.04	<u> </u>
GB.500/18 D			1-Apr-18	86	100.08	7.96			0.03
0.750/CO18A	08.50%2018D								
08.75%2018A	08.50%2018B	15	15-Jul-18	191	99.95	8.59	99.99	8.51	0.04
BODGNOTIBLE 6	07.50%2018A	15	15-Aug-18	222	99.30	8.68	99.37	8.56	0.07
6.658/2019A	08.75%2018A	4	15-Oct-18	283	99.91	8.85	100.02	8.70	0.11
10.75%2019A	08.00%2018A	6	15-Nov-18	314	99.31	8.83	99.45	8.66	0.14
BBSD82019A	05.65%2019A	8	15-Jan-19	375	96.59	9.20	96.70	9.08	0.11
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External Sector

4.1 Exchange Rates

Item	Week I	Ending - 05	Jan 2018	Average Ra	ate
(Rs Per Unit)(a)	Buying Selling		Average	Week	Year
(NST CF OF IT)(a)	Rate	Rate	Rate	Ago	Ago
US\$	151.58	155.34	153.46	153.23	149.83
STG	204.77	211.58	208.18	206.20	184.81
Yen	1.34	1.39	1.36	1.36	1.29
Euro	181.90	188.63	185.27	183.00	157.58
INR(1)			2.42	2.39	2.21
SDR (As	at 04 Jan 2	018)	219.55	216.83	201.01
Central Bank purcha	Central Bank purchases and sales(b)			Month	Year
(US\$ Mn.)			2017	Ago	Ago
Purchases	·		206.00	97.00	9.45
Sales			-	-	116.91



ltem -		Week Ago	Year Ago	
		Week Ago		
Average Daily Interbank Volume (US\$ Mn.)	39.28	52.30	22.29	

(spot, tom and cash transactions among commercial banks)

Forward Transactions				
Forward Rates (US\$) (2)				
1 Month		-	154.03	150.98
3 Months		156.40	155.93	152.66
Average Daily Interbank Forward Volume (US\$ mn)		10.97	26.63	27.60
Outstanding Forward Volume (US\$ mn)	(As at 04 Jan 2018)	1,383.75	1,466.69	1,308.31

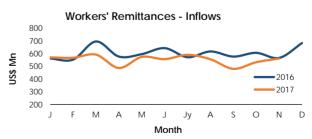
⁽a) Commercial Bank Avg. Middle Rate (prevailing at 9.30a.m.)

4.2 Tourism & Workers' Remittances

ltem		2016 Nov (a)(b)	2017 Nov (c)(d)	2016 Jan-Nov (a)(b)	2017 Jan-Nov (c)(d)	% Change
Tourist Arrivals	Number	167,217	167,511	1,826,041	1,871,871	2.51
Earnings from Tourism(d)	US\$ Mn. Rs.bn.	286.88 42.39	287.39 44.16	3,132.83 454.96	3,211.46 489.10	2.51 7.50
		2016 Nov	2017 Nov (c)	2016 Jan-Nov	2017 Jan-Nov (c)	% Change
Workers' Remittances (Inflows)	US\$ Mn.	567.38	562.19	6,556.93	6,080.38	-7.27
	Rs. bn.	83.84	86.39	952.56	926.48	-2.74

(a) Revised (b) Revised based on Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority survey results on average stay period and average spending per day estimates for 2016 (c) Provisional (d) May be revised based on Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority survey results on average stay period and average spending per day estimates for 2017





⁽b) Central Bank purchases and sales of foreign exchange from commercial banks at market rates total for the Month

⁽¹⁾ Central Bank indicative rate (2) Weekly average based on actual transactions.

4.3 Official Reserve Assets as at 31st December 2017 (a)

Official Reserve Assets (USD Mn)	7,952.58
(1) Foreign Currency Reserves	6,952.87
(2) Reserve position in the IMF	68.15
(3) SDRs	2.42
(4) Gold	928.07
(5) Other Reserve Assets	1.07
(a) Provisional	

4.4 International Reserves & foriegn Currency Liquidity as at 30th November 2017 (a)

Official Reserve Assets (USD mn)						
Official Reserve Assets				7,335.12		
(1) Foreign currency reserves				6,346.84		
(a) Securities				3,809.76		
(b) Total currency and deposits with		2,537.07				
(i)other national central banks, BIS				918.44		
(ii)banks headquartered inside the reporting country of which loca		1.21				
(iii)banks headquartered outside the reporting country			1,617.43			
(2) Reserve position in the IMF				67.74		
(3) SDRs				2.40		
(4) Gold				917.07		
(5) Other reserve assets				1.07		
Predetermined Short-Term Net Drains on Foreign Currency Assets (b)						
		Maturity breakdown (residual maturity)				
Item	Total	Up to 1 month	More than 1 and up to 3 months	More than 3 months and up to 1 year		
Foreign currency loans, securities, and deposits						
outflows (-) Principal	-4,406.68	-230.04	-886.98	-3,289.65		
Interest	-1,231.28	-58.99	-257.19	-915.10		
inflows (+) Principal Interest						
2. Aggregate short and long positions in forwards and futures in focurrency (including the forward leg of currency swaps)	reign currenc	cies vis-à-v	is the don	nestic		
(i) Short positions (–)(c)	-1,785.24	-585.93	-674.31	-525.00		
(ii) Long positions (+)						
3. Other (specify)	-0.09	-0.09				
inflows related to reverse repos (+)						
other accounts payable (-) (a) Provisional (b) This mainly includes only the predetermined outflows (c) A major share of SWAP outstanding will be rolled over. This mainly includes SWAP arrang	-0.09	-0.09				

⁽c) A major share of SWAP outstanding will be rolled over. This mainly includes SWAP arrangements with state banks which mobilised long-term foreign finance from international bond issuances

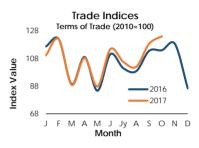
4.5 External Trade

		US\$ Mn			Rs Mn			
ltem	2017	2016	% Change	2017	2016	% Change		
	Jan - Oct (a)	Jan - Oct(b)		Jan - Oct (a)	Jan - Oct(b)	% Ghange		
Exports	9,399.72	8,641.06	8.78	1,431,677.54	1,253,228.45	14.24		
Agricultural	2,323.39	1,942.33	19.62	353,954.34	281,795.01	25.61		
Industrial	7,031.81	6,661.42	5.56	1,070,938.72	966,023.36	10.86		
Food, Beverages and Tobacco	331.41	276.83	19.72	50,523.52	40,133.88	25.89		
Textiles and Garments	4,137.63	4,107.47	0.73	630,071.89	595,569.00	5.79		
Petroleum Products	327.76	231.62	41.51	49,934.29	33,595.88	48.63		
Leather, Rubber products etc.	824.84	784.89	5.09	125,660.41	113,853.92	10.37		
Other	1,410.17	1,260.62	11.86	214,748.61	182,870.67	17.43		
Mineral	30.37	24.95	21.74	4,630.54	3,619.21	27.94		
Other	14.15	12.35	14.54	2,153.94	1,790.87	20.27		
Imports	16,990.91	15,634.67	8.67	2,586,684.22	2,268,057.85	14.05		
Consumer Goods	3,661.24	3,576.84	2.36	557,368.78	518,805.12	7.43		
Intermediate Goods	9,169.56	7,983.60	14.86	1,396,100.11	1,158,281.42	20.53		
Investment Goods	4,016.17	4,063.10	-1.15	611,396.06	589,354.99	3.74		
Other	143.94	11.13	1193.60	21,819.26	1,616.32	1,249.93		
Trade Balance	-7.591.20	-6.993.61	_	-1.155.006.68	-1.014.829.41	_		



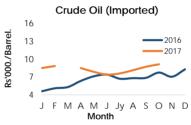












4.6 Trade Indices (2010=100) (a)

Item	2017 Oct (b)	Month Ago (b)	Year Ago (c)
Total Exports			
Value	135.78	140.71	119.00
Quantity	132.04	133.27	123.18
Unit Value	102.83	105.59	96.61
Total Imports			
Value	154.58	149.16	154.25
Quantity	186.25	167.43	187.40
Unit Value	83.00	89.09	82.31
Terms of Trade	123.90	118.51	117.37
(a) In US\$ Terms (b) Provisional (c) Revised			

4.7 Commodity Prices

ltem	2017 Sep (a)	2016 Sep	% Change	2017 Sep (a)	2016 Sep	% Change
		US\$ / Kg			Rs / Kg	•
Colombo Tea Auction	4.22	3.77	12.04	647.66	553.01	17.12
Imports (CIF)		US\$ / MT			Rs / MT	
Rice	413.30	462.45	-10.63	63,451.81	67,920.83	-6.58
Sugar	452.78	606.07	-25.29	69,513.15	89,014.42	-21.91
Wheat	245.61	251.05	-2.17	37,707.89	36,872.08	2.27
		US\$ / Barrel			Rs / Barrel	
Crude Oil	59.53	52.70	12.95	9,139.18	7,740.68	18.07
(a) Provisional						