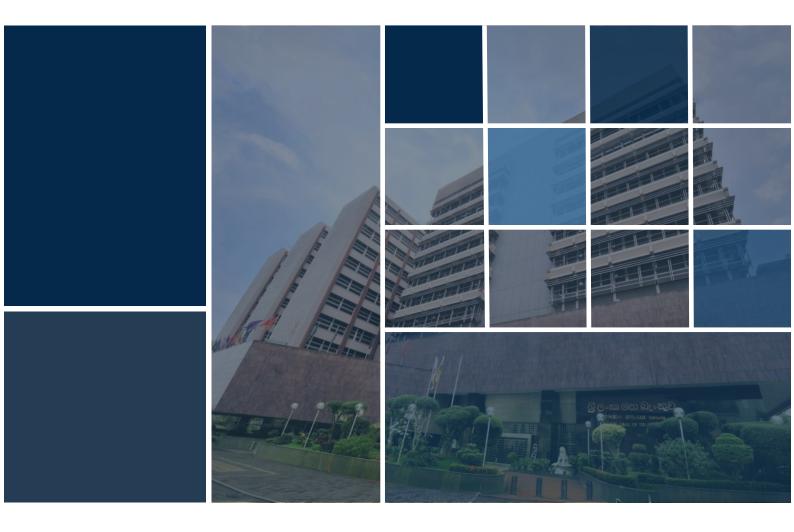
# Weekly Economic Indicators

17 February 2023





# Highlights of the Week

#### **Real Sector**

In January 2023, Purchasing Managers' Indices for Services activities and Manufacturing activities recorded index values of 50.2 and 40.8, respectively, indicating a slight expansion in Services activities and a continued deterioration in Manufacturing activities, on a month-on-month basis.

During the period under review (11.02.2023 to 17.02.2023) crude oil prices showed a decreasing trend mainly due to the US government's statement on possible release of more crude to the market from its Strategic Petroleum Reserves and the significant buildup in US crude oil inventories. Overall, during the period under review, Brent and WTI prices declined by US dollars 1.22 per barrel and US dollars 1.14 per barrel, respectively.

### Monetary Sector

Weekly Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR) for the week ending 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023 decreased by 48 bps to 25.35 per cent compared to the previous week.

The reserve money increased compared to the previous week mainly due to the increase in currency in circulation and increase in the deposits held by the commercial banks with the Central Bank.

The total outstanding market liquidity was a deficit of Rs. 125.151 bn by 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023, compared to a deficit of Rs. 168.934 bn by the end of last week.

By 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023, the All Share Price Index (ASPI) decreased by 1.01 per cent to 8,848.36 points and the S&P SL 20 Index decreased by 1.58 per cent to 2,712.74 points, compared to the index values of last week.

### External Sector

During the year up to 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023, the Sri Lankan rupee appreciated against the US dollar by 0.3 per cent. Given the cross currency exchange rate movements, the Sri Lankan rupee appreciated against the Japanese yen by 1.8 per cent, the pound sterling by 1.1 per cent, the Euro by 0.3 per cent and the Indian Rupee by 0.3 per cent during this period.

## **Real Sector**

#### 1.1 Price Indices

NCPI (2013=100)	December 2022	Month Ago	Year Ago	NCPI - Year-on-Year %
National Consumer Price Index (NCPI) - Headline	256.3	256.3	161.0	ŧ 70
Monthly Change %	0.0	(0.2)	3.7	<b>8</b> 60 <b>5</b> 0
Annual Average Change %	50.4	46.7	7.0	<b>4</b> 0
Year - on - Year Change %	59.2	65.0	14.0	302022
National Consumer Price Index (NCPI) - Core	245.2	244.9	155.7	10
Annual Average Change %	43.9	40.0	5.5	J F M A M J Jy A S O N D
Year - on - Year Change %	57.5	60.1	10.8	. Month
CCPI (2013=100)	January 2023	Month Ago	Year Ago	-
Colombo Consumer Price Index (CCPI) - Headline	244.3	243.2	158.4	70
Monthly Change %	0.5	0.2	2.4	
Annual Average Change %	49.6	46.4	6.9	<b>5</b> 50 <b>5</b> 40
Year - on - Year Change %	54.2	57.2	14.2	<b>a</b> 30 <b>2022</b>
Colombo Consumer Price Index (CCPI) - Core	224.3	223.4	154.1	20 2023
Annual Average Change %	37.6	34.6	5.0	0
Year - on - Year Change %	45.6	47.7	9.9	JFMAMJJYASOND Month
S	ource: Departme	nt of Census	and Statistics	

#### 1.2 Prices

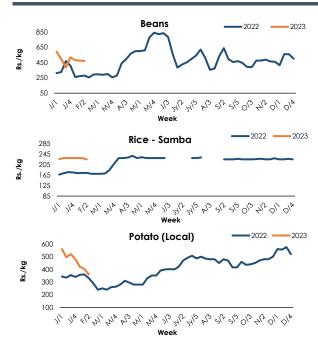
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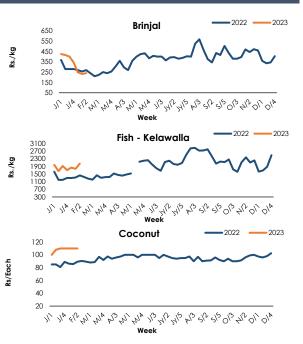
	Ave	rage Whole	esale Price	S		Average R	etail Prices	
Item (Rs./kg)	This Week	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	This Week	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Rice								
Samba	204.67	205.67	214.27	160.00	220.00	224.00	225.00	165.25
Kekulu (Red)	166.50	175.50	196.25	154.38	175.00	195.00	210.00	161.00
Vegetables								
Beans	360.00	420.00	425.00	195.00	410.00	470.00	475.00	230.00
Cabbage	40.00	40.00	70.00	151.25	80.00	80.00	105.00	177.50
Carrot	126.00	120.00	175.00	418.75	168.00	160.00	225.00	476.25
Tomato	170.00	264.00	170.00	188.75	220.00	308.00	220.00	225.00
Pumpkin	68.00	84.00	135.00	160.00	108.00	120.00	175.00	180.00
Snake Gourd	150.00	152.00	217.50	170.00	200.00	200.00	270.00	200.00
Brinjal	135.00	112.00	362.50	163.75	180.00	152.00	412.50	190.00
Green Chilli	210.00	250.00	275.00	512.50	260.00	300.00	325.00	562.50
Lime	84.00	98.00	75.00	87.50	108.00	124.00	110.00	118.75
Other Foods								
Red Onion (Local)	332.47	405.00	587.50	462.50	380.00	405.00	n.a.	550.00
Big Onion (Imported)	123.00	110.06	153.00	126.13	160.00	148.50	175.00	152.71
Potato (Local)	292.50	309.38	394.38	251.75	324.00	348.00	450.00	281.25
Dried Chilli (Imported)	1,263.33	1,262.00	1,341.25	935.00	1,470.00	1,468.00	1,580.00	960.00
Red Dhal	344.35	344.50	356.67	314.69	375.00	373.50	380.00	321.88
Egg - White (Each)	43.70	43.10	52.00	16.00	44.00	44.00	52.50	16.63
Coconut (Each)	96.20	96.80	95.00	70.50	120.00	120.00	120.00	72.50

#### 1.2.2 Marandagahamula Market

ltem (Rs./kg)		Average Wholesale Price of Rice						
	This Week	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago				
Samba	194.83	193.33	200.00	152.50				
čekulu (White)	175.30	174.07	182.25	143.13				
(ekulu (Red)	182.33	183.33	204.25	144.13				
Nadu	180.17	182.80	189.50	143.75				
n.a not available								

Narahenpita Economic Centre-Retail Prices





#### 1.2.3 Dambulla Market

#### 1.2.4 Narahenpita Economic Centre

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	Average Wh	olesale Prices		Average I	Retail Prices
Item (Rs./kg)	This Week	Week Ago	ltem (Rs./kg)	This Week	Week Ago
Rice			Rice		
Samba	229.00	225.00	Samba	225.00	230.00
Kekulu (Red)	197.00	202.00	Kekulu (Red)	175.00	190.00
Vegetables			Vegetables		
Beans	376.00	344.00	Beans	472.00	476.00
Cabbage	34.50	41.50	Cabbage	148.00	164.00
Carrot	120.00	109.00	Carrot	228.00	220.00
Tomato	160.00	224.00	Tomato	296.00	356.00
Pumpkin	54.50	64.50	Pumpkin	140.00	148.00
Snake Gourd	137.00	104.00	Snake Gourd	316.00	320.00
Brinjal	101.00	82.50	Brinjal	240.00	232.00
Ash Plantain	192.00	183.00	Green Chillie	400.00	404.00
Other Foods			Other Foods		
Red Onion (Local)	224.00	266.67	Red Onion (Local)	n.a.	n.a.
Red Onion (Imported)	265.00	312.00	Big Onion (Imported)	158.00	144.00
Big Onion (Imported)	119.00	119.00	Potato (Local)	360.00	404.00
Potato (Local)	253.00	235.00	Potato (Imported)	228.00	146.00
Potato (ImportedI)	170.50	125.00	Dried Chilli (Imported)	1,400.00	1,240.00
Dried Chillie (Imported)	1,292.00	1,302.00	Red Dhal	360.00	364.00
Coconut (Each)	81.00	83.00	Sugar - White	230.00	220.00
			Egg - White (Each)	44.00	44.00
			Coconut (Each)	110.00	110.00

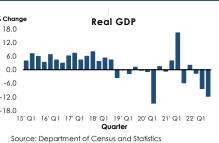
#### 1.2.5 Fish Markets

	Peliya	igoda	Negombo			Narahenpita				
Item (Rs./kg)	Average Wholesale Prices		Average Wh	verage Wholesale Prices Average Retail Prices		verage Wholesale Prices Average Retail Prices Average Ret		verage Wholesale Prices Average Retail Prices Average Retail Price		etail Prices
	This Week	Week Ago	This Week	Week Ago	This Week	Week Ago	This Week	Week Ago		
Kelawalla	1,030.00	1,090.00	1,040.00	950.00	1,430.00	1,430.00	2,050.00	1,772.50		
Balaya	570.00	716.67	633.33	716.67	783.33	883.33	914.00	990.00		
Salaya	322.00	350.00	290.00	296.00	438.00	434.00	492.00	482.00		
Hurulla	700.00	862.50	780.00	808.00	918.00	956.00	1,033.33	1,046.67		

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#### 1.3 GDP by Industrial Origin at Constant (2015) Prices - Growth Rates in value added terms

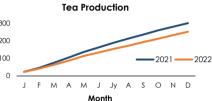
14 a.m.	2020	2021	2021	2022	%
Item	Annual <sup>(a)</sup>	Annual <sup>(a)</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr <sup>(a)</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr <sup>(a)</sup>	
Agriculture	(1.4)	2.5	(2.8)	(8.7)	
Industry	(5.3)	5.6	(2.0)	(21.2)	
Services	(1.9)	3.3	(1.7)	(2.6)	
Taxes less subsidies on products	(9.3)	(5.2)	(48.1)	(64.1)	-
GDP	(3.5)	3.3	(5.8)	(11.8)	-
(a) Provisional					



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#### **1.4 Agricultural Production**

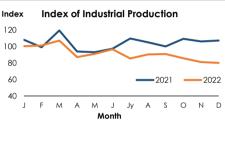
Item	Unit	2021 Jan-Dec <sup>(a)</sup>	2022 Jan-Dec <sup>(b)</sup>	%Change		300	Tea
Tea	(mn kg)	299.5	250.8	(16.2)	Ô	200	
Rubber	(mn kg)	76.9	70.9	(7.8)	Ē	100	
Coconut	(mn Nuts)	3,119.7	3,386.2	8.5		0	



(a) Revised (b) Provisional

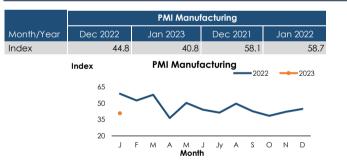
#### 1.5 Index of Industrial Production (IIP) (2015 = 100) (a)

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Item	2021 <sup>(b)</sup>	2022 <sup>(c)</sup>	% Change	12
Index of Industrial Production (IIP)	107.4	80.2	(25.3)	1(
Food products	114.7	90.1	(21.5)	
Wearing apparel	102.6	90.2	(12.1)	
Other non-metallic mineral products	142.7	85.8	(39.9)	•
Coke and refined petroleum products	48.9	36.8	(24.7)	
Rubber and plastic products	106.3	70.2	(34.0)	
Chemicals and chemical products	100.4	63.9	(36.3)	
Beverages	117.1	119.6	2.1	
(a) Major 7 sub divisions (b) Revised (c) Provisional				



Source: Department of Census and Statistics

#### 1.6 Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI)





#### 1.7 Wages and Employment

#### 1.7.1 Wage Rate Indices

Item	2021 December	2022 December	% Change		150	Public Sector Employees (2016=100)
Public Sector Employees (2016 = 100) - Nominal	114.6	133.1	16.1	Index	130 110	
Informal Private Sector Employees (2018 = 100) - Nominal	134.2	165.6	23.4		90	
Agriculture	130.3	167.6	28.6		180	Informal Private Sector Employees (2018 = 100)
Industry	138.9	165.0	18.8	×	160	
Services	127.0	164.7	29.7		140 120 100	
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#### 1.7.2 Employment<sup>(a)</sup>

ltem	2022	2022	2021	Rate
ioni	3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr	2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr	Annual	6
Labour Force Participation rate	49.0	50.1	49.9	
Unemployment rate	5.0	4.6	5.1	5
	2022	2022	2021	J
Item	3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr	2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr	Annual	4
Employed Persons by Sectors $^{(b)}$ (as a % of Total Em	ployment)			
Agriculture	26.9	26.0	27.3	3
Industry	25.9	27.7	26.0	1014
Services	47.2	46.3	46.7	
(a) Household population aged 15 years and above	I		1	

Unemployment Rate



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#### Year/Quarter

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

C Import ces (CIF) S\$/bbl)<sup>(a)</sup>

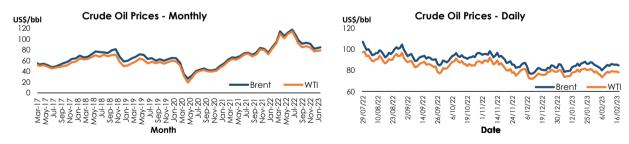
#### (b) Based on the International Standard Industrial Classification (ISIC) - Revision 4 **1.8 Average Crude Oil Prices**

		2022			2023	
	Futures Price	es (US\$/bbl)	CPC Import	Futures Price	es (US\$/bbl)	СРС
Month	Brent (Benchmark	WTI (Benchmark	Prices (CIF) (US\$/bbl) <sup>(a)</sup>	Brent (Benchmark	WTI (Benchmark	Pric (US
	price)	price)	(,	price)	price)	(00
January	84.96	82.55	84.09	84.28	78.60	
February	94.17	91.74	76.41			
March	114.05	109.66	-			
April	105.56	101.23	-			
Мау	111.91	109.64	109.94			
June	117.29	113.89	-			
July	105.39	100.47	-			
August	98.07	91.79	114.71			
September	91.03	84.58	119.71			
October	93.04	86.60	-			
November	90.89	83.96	98.77			
December	81.80	77.06	97.03			
Date	20	22		20	23	
11 February	91.08	89.70		-	-	
12 February	-	-		-	-	
13 February	-	-		85.90	79.19	
14 February	95.69	94.55		85.77	79.06	
15 February	96.09	95.02		85.34	78.83	
16 February	-	-		85.52	78.81	
17 February	92.51	91.29		84.68	78.05	

Sources: Bloomberg

Ceylon Petroleum Corporation

(a) 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. Crude Oil was not imported in the months of March, April, June, July, October 2022.



#### 1.9 Daily Electricity Generation

Item	13-Feb-2023	14-Feb-2023	15-Feb-2023	16-Feb-2023	Electricity Generation by Source
Peak Demand (MW)	1,971.90	1,847.20	1,832.60	2,250.10	Hydro Thermal Coal
Total Energy Generation (GWh)	41.22	43.08	42.42	43.70	30 Thermal Oil Other
Hydro	12.70	13.46	12.35	12.70	25 <b>W</b>
Thermal Coal	19.24	19.56	19.37	19.05	
Thermal Oil	5.70	6.74	7.27	8.27	\$ 15 Min Apamanan
Wind	1.06	0.89	0.98	1.29	
Solar (Bulk)	2.08	2.15	2.18	2.09	a manufacture and the second
Biomass	0.44	0.27	0.27	0.29	1/22 1/22 1/22 2/22 2/22 2/22 2/22 2/22
			Source: Ceylo	n Electricity Board	1/1 8/1 15/1 15/1 15/1 13/1 22/1 13/1 10/2 22/1 17/2 22/1/1 17/2 17/2

# Monetary Sector

#### 2.1 Interest Rates (% p.a.)

Item	Week Ending 17-Feb-2023	Week Ago	Year Ago
Policy Interest Rates			
Standing Deposit Facility Rate	14.50	14.50	5.50
Standing Lending Facility Rate	15.50	15.50	6.50
Call Money Market			
Average Weighted Call Money Rate (AWCMR) (Weekly Average)	15.50	15.47	6.48
Treasury Bill Yields (Primary Market)			
91-Day	29.83	29.88	8.50
182-Day	28.67	28.72	8.54
364-Day	27.71	27.72	8.57
Licensed Commercial Banks			
Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR)	25.35	25.83	9.09
	Dec-22	Month Ago	Year Ago
Savings Deposits	0.25 - 6.00	0.25 - 6.00	0.05 - 6.35
One Year Fixed Deposits	4.50 - 30.00	3.50 - 30.00	0.15 - 15.00
	Jan-23	Month Ago	Year Ago
Average Weighted Deposit Rate (AWDR)	14.63	14.06	5.01
Average Weighted Fixed Deposit Rate (AWFDR)	19.15	18.49	6.05
	Dec-22	Month Ago	Year Ago
Average Weighted New Deposit Rate (AWNDR)	23.07	23.63	6.45
Average Weighted New Fixed Deposit Rate (AWNFDR)	23.73	24.05	6.67
	Dec-22	Month Ago	Year Ago
Average Weighted Lending Rate (AWLR)	18.70	18.42	9.87
Average Weighted New Lending Rate (AWNLR)	26.20	26.04	9.48
National Savings Bank (NSB)			
	Dec-22	Month Ago	Year Ago
Savings Deposits	3.00	3.00	3.50
One Year Fixed Deposits	12.00	12.00	5.50

Treasury Bond Auction	2 yr 5 mon	4 yr 3 mon
reasory bond Adenon	30-Jan-2023	30-Jan-2023
Coupon rate	18.00	18.00
Weighted Average Yield	32.19	29.21

Bank wise- AWPR	Week ending 17-Feb-2023	Week Ago	Bank wise- AWPR	Week ending 17-Feb-2023	Week Ago
Bank of Ceylon	25.85	25.21	Cargills Bank	27.75	28.36
People's Bank	30.00	30.00	HSBC	18.06	18.06
Hatton National Bank	27.19	26.80	Standard Chartered Bank	23.99	24.98
Commercial Bank of Ceylon	26.25	26.09	Citi Bank	25.00	27.00
Sampath Bank	26.13	25.92	Deutsche Bank	22.58	20.70
Seylan Bank	27.49	28.05	Habib Bank	27.67	27.61
Union Bank of Colombo	29.16	26.59	Indian Bank	27.73	27.73
Pan Asia Banking Corporation	27.28	29.00	Indian Overseas Bank <sup>(a)</sup>	28.60	28.60
Nations Trust Bank	26.11	26.19	MCB Bank	27.73	29.78
DFCC Bank	26.77	26.41	State Bank of India	25.66	25.27
NDB Bank	29.04	28.97	Public Bank <sup>(a)</sup>	29.31	29.31
Amana Bank <sup>(a)</sup>	29.54	29.54			

(a) The bank has not granted loans during this week to prime customers, hence the latest available rate has been provided.

#### 2.2 Money Supply

		Rs. bn		Annual Change (%)			
ltem	2022 December <sup>(a)</sup>	Month Ago	Year Ago <sup>(b)</sup>	2022 December <sup>(a)</sup>	Month Ago	Year Ago <sup>(b)</sup>	
Reserve Money	1,349.4	1,318.5	1,305.8	3.3	2.4	35.4	
M1	1,475.7	1,458.0	1,459.9	1.1	7.6	24.0	
M <sub>2</sub>	10,519.2	10,417.0	9,638.9	9.1	9.5	13.5	
M <sub>2b</sub>	12,296.2	12,162.9	10,647.3	15.5	15.3	13.2	
Net Foreign Assets of the Banking System <sup>(c)</sup>	(1,752.7)	(1,870.0)	(982.0)	(78.5)	(106.3)	(368.8)	
Monetary Authorities	(1,606.4)	(1,639.5)	(387.3)	(314.8)	(397.0)	(173.5)	
Commercial Banks	(146.4)	(230.4)	(594.7)	75.4	60.0	19.2	
Domestic Banking Units (DBUs)	(426.9)	(523.4)	(381.5)	(11.9)	(36.7)	10.7	
Offshore Banking Units (OBUs)	280.5	292.9	(213.2)	231.6	251.4	31.0	
Net Domestic Assets of the Banking System <sup>(c)</sup>	14,049.0	14,032.9	11,629.3	20.8	22.5	20.9	
Net Credit to the Government	7,471.1	7,292.6	5,832.4	28.1	27.6	28.2	
Monetary Authorities	3,432.5	3,369.8	2,094.1	63.9	69.0	141.0	
Commercial Banks	4,038.6	3,922.8	3,738.3	8.0	5.4	1.6	
DBUs	3,639.3	3,499.6	3,361.3	8.3	5.0	4.9	
OBUs	399.3	423.2	377.0	5.9	8.9	(20.7)	
Credit to Public Corporations	1,734.5	1,760.4	1,188.1	46.0	48.6	18.6	
DBUs	1,674.2	1,698.2	972.8	72.1	89.2	66.5	
OBUs	60.3	62.2	215.3	(72.0)	(78.4)	(48.5)	
Credit to the Private Sector	7,426.6	7,499.2	6,981.4	6.4	8.4	13.1	
DBUs	6,747.5	6,802.5	6,498.9	3.8	6.0	13.1	
OBUs	679.1	696.7	482.6	40.7	39.3	14.1	
Other Items (Net)	(2,583.3)	(2,519.3)	(2,372.7)	(8.9)	(6.5)	(12.7)	

(a) Provisional

(b) Due to a misclassification in the data reported by LCBs, data on NCG by LCBs was revised from March 2021 - January 2022.

(c) In relation to  $M_{2b}$ 



#### 2.3 Weekly change in Reserve Money

Item	09-Feb-2023	16-Feb-2023	Change	Weekly Change in Reserve Money
Reserve Money (Rs. mn)	1,591,542.35	1,597,311.87	5,769.52	
2.4 Money Market Activity (Overnight)				Meek Meek

#### 2.4 Money Market Activity (Overnight)

Item	13-Feb-2023	14-Feb-2023	15-Feb-2023	16-Feb-2023	17-Feb-2023
Call Money Market					
Weighted Average Rate (% p.a.)	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.49	15.50
Gross Volume (Rs. mn)	5,044	4,917	4,700	5,414	4,315
Repo Market					
Weighted Average Rate (% p.a.)	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50
Gross Volume (Rs. mn)	5,200	4,750	2,500	30,000	35,200
2.5 CBSL Securites Portfolio					

Item	13-Feb-2023	14-Feb-2023	15-Feb-2023	16-Feb-2023	17-Feb-2023
CBSL Treasury Bill/Bond Holdings -Face Value (Rs. mn)	2,551,148.07	2,551,148.07	2,566,709.04	2,566,709.04	2,583,961.67
CBSL Treasury Bill/Bond Holdings -Book Value (Rs. mn)	2,464,543.78	2,466,821.14	2,483,149.54	2,484,802.65	2,490,016.09

#### 2.6 Open Market Operations

Item	13-Feb-2023	14-Feb-2023	15-Feb-2023	16-Feb-2023	17-Feb-2023
Short-Term Auction					
Repo Amount Offered (Rs. bn)					
Reverse Repo Amount Offered (Rs. bn)	10.00		10.00		
Tenure (No. of Days)	1		1		
Bids Received (Rs. bn)	37.000		35.050		
Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)	10.000		10.000		
Minimum Accepted Rate ( % p.a.)	15.50		15.50		
Maximum Accepted Rate (% p.a.)	15.50		15.50		
Weighted Average Yield Rate (% p.a.)	15.50		15.50		
Outright Auctions	1		1	1	
Outright Sales Amount Offered (Rs. bn)	1				
Outright Purchase Amount Offered (Rs. bn)					
Settlement Date					
Maturity Date					
Tenure (No. of Days)					
Bids Received (Rs. bn)					
Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)					
Minimum Accepted Rate (% p.a.)					
Maximum Accepted Rate ( % p.a.)					
Weighted Average Yield Rate (% p.a.)					
Long Term Auction	1			1	
Repo Amount Offered (Rs. bn)	1				
Reverse Repo Amount Offered (Rs. bn)					
Settlement Date					
Maturity Date					
Tenure (No. of Days)					
Bids Received (Rs. bn)					
Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)					
Minimum Aaccepted Rate ( % p.a.)					
Maximum Aaccepted Rate ( % p.a.)					
Weighted Average Yield Rate (% p.a.)					
Liquidity Support Facility Auction	1			1	
Reverse Repo Amount Offered (Rs. bn)	1			İ	
Settlement Date					
Maturity Date					
Tenure (No. of Days)					
Bids Received (Rs. bn)					
Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)					
Minimum Accepted Rate (% p.a.)					
Maximum Accepted Rate (% p.a.)					
Weighted Average Yield Rate (% p.a.)	I			I	
Standing Facility Standing Deposit Facility (Rs. bn)	0.115		6.651	1	230.546
Standing Lending Facility (Rs. bn)	221.981	- 213.936	188.181	- 207.958	205.697
	221./01	210.700	100.101	207.730	200.077
Total Overnight Market Liquidity (Rs. bn)	(231.866)	(213.936)	(191.530)	(207.958)	24.849
Total Outstanding Market Liquidity (Rs. bn)**	(381.866)	(363.936)	(341.530)	(357.958)	(125.151)

\*\* Total Outstanding Market Liquidity represents overnight liquidity adjusted for outstanding amounts of term repo/reverse repo transactions of the Central Bank with market participants.

#### 2.7 Credit Cards (a)

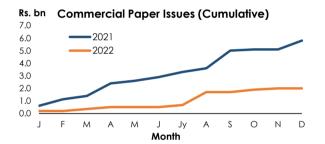
ltem	2021	2022	2022
nem	End December	End November	End December <sup>(b)</sup>
Total Number of Active Cards	1,927,195	1,954,165	1,952,991
Local (accepted only locally)	15,861	13,445	13,028
Global (accepted globally)	1,911,334	1,940,720	1,939,963
Outstanding balance (Rs.mn)	133,285	140,423	143,098
Local (accepted only locally)	38,719	37,136	37,328
Global (accepted globally)	94,565	103,287	105,770
(a) Issued by Licensed Commercial Banks (LCBs) (b) Provisional			

#### 2.8 Commercial Paper Issues (a)

Item (Rs. bn.)	2021 End December	2022 End November	2022 End December <sup>(b)</sup>
Total Issues - Cumulative <sup>(c)</sup>	5.8	2.0	2.0
Outstanding (as at end of the period)	1.1	0.2	0.2

(a) Based on the information provided by LCBs and Licensed Specialised Banks (LSBs)

(b) Provisional (c) Year-to-date total





#### 2.9 Share Market

Item	As at 17-Feb-2023	As at 10-Feb-2023	Year Ago
All Share Price Index (1985 = 100) (ASPI)	8,848.36	8,938.48	12,134.04
S&P Sri Lanka 20 Index (2004 = 1,000) (S&P SL20)	2,712.74	2,756.41	4,140.65
Daily Turnover (Weekly Average)(Rs. mn)	1,743.30	1,671.40	3,612.26
Market Capitalisation (Rs.bn)	3,895.07	3,969.86	5,533.43
Foreign Purchases (Rs. mn)	65.86	187.77	53.74
Foreign Sales (Rs. mn)	36.16	14.54	42.55
Net Foreign Purchases (Rs. mn)	29.70	173.23	11.19

## **Fiscal Sector**

#### 3.1 Government Finance (Rs.Bn)

Item	2021 Jan - Nov	2022 Jan - Nov <sup>(a)</sup>	Go Rs.bn	vernment Fis January - N	cal Operations lovember
Revenue and Grants	1,324.1	1,809.7	3,500		_
Revenue	1,322.0	1,806.7	3,000		
Tax	1,188.5	1,608.8			
Non tax	133.5	197.9			
Grants	2.2	3.1	1,500		
Expenditure & Lending Minus Repayments	3,033.4	3,411.1			
Recurrent	2,551.2	2,945.0	0	2021	2022
Capital & Lending Minus Repayments	482.2	466.0	Revenue		re & Lending Minus Repayments
(a) Provisional					

#### 3.2 Outstanding Central Government Debt (Rs.Bn)<sup>(a)</sup>

Item	End 2021	End November 2022 <sup>(b)</sup>	Rs. bn.		entral Goverr ug. 2022 - En		(b)
Total domestic debt	11,097.2	13,731.9	25,000				
of which			20,000				
Treasury bills	2,270.5	3,966.8	15.000				
Treasury bonds	6,966.2	8,515.8					
Rupee loans	24.1	24.1	10,000				
Total foreign debt	6,492.2	11,786.2	5,000				
Total outstanding govt. debt	17,589.4	25,518.1	0	End Aug			,
(a) As per the guidelines of compiling government debt statistics in the Manual of Government Finance Statistics published by the IMF					End Sep 2022	End Oct 2022	End Nov 2022

As per time guidelines of companing government deot statistics in the Manual of Government rhance's statistics published by the IMP in 2014, non resident holdings of outstanding SLDBs and ISS of the Sti Lankan Government have been classified under foreign debt and resident holdings of outstanding SLDBs and ISS of the Sti Lankan Government have been classified under domestic debt.

Sources : Ministry of Finance, Economic Stabilisation and National Policies Central Bank of Sri Lanka

#### 3.3 Government Securities - Primary and Secondary Market Yield Rates for the week ending - 16th February 2023

		Primary M	arket <sup>(a)</sup> %		Secondary	Market <sup>(b)</sup> %		
Security	Maturity				This Week		Last Week	
		This Week	Last Week	Buying	Selling	Average	Average	
	91 Day	29.83	29.88	29.60	28.41	29.01	29.12	
Treasury Bills	182 Day	28.67	28.72	28.67	27.60	28.14	28.20	
	364 Day	27.71	27.72	27.89	26.64	27.27	27.26	
	< 2 Years	-	-	29.08	27.76	28.42	28.26	
	< 3 Years	-	-	28.06	27.09	27.58	27.39	
	< 4 Years	-	-	27.86	26.76	27.31	27.20	
	< 5 Years	-	-	27.51	26.20	26.86	26.82	
Treasury Bonds	< 6 Years	-	-	26.84	25.26	26.05	25.95	
Treasury bornas	< 8 Years	-	-	26.58	24.71	25.65	25.78	
	< 10 Years	-	-	27.00	24.74	25.87	25.86	
	< 15 Years	-	-	26.27	22.91	24.59	24.59	
	< 20 Years	-	-	23.53	20.80	22.17	22.17	
	< 30 Years	-	-	22.51	20.27	21.39	21.39	

(a) Primary market transactions during the week ending 16<sup>th</sup> February 2023

(b) Average of the secondary market quotes

#### The Primary market yield rates of T-Bills declined marginally, and the secondary market yield rates followed a similar trend in all three maturities compared to the week before. Meanwhile, the secondary market yield curve of T-Bonds remained broadly stable.

		Coupon	Secondary Market %		
Security	Maturity Date	Rate %	This Week	Last Week	
	18-Apr-23	5.750	-	-	
	14-Mar-24	6.850	-	-	
	28-Jun-24	6.350	-	-	
	3-Jun-25	6.125	-	-	
International Sovereign Bonds	3-Nov-25	6.850	-	-	
international sovereign borids	18-Jul-26	6.825	42.27	41.43	
	11-May-27	6.200	37.27	36.35	
	18-Apr-28	6.750	33.69	32.92	
	14-Mar-29	7.850	33.04	32.42	
	28-Mar-30	7.550	29.63	29.09	



**Treasury Bonds** Secondary Market Yield Curves





resident holdings of outstanding substanding substand is of the Sit Lankau Government have been classified undar domain. Gov. (b) The debt data after April 20.202 are highly provisional as the outstanding central government debt excludes several overdue debt service payments after April 20.202, the date of which the Interim Policy regarding the servicing of Sit Lanka's external public debt was announced by the Ministry of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies. These debt service payments include overdue interest payments of affected debt which deemed to be capitalised as per the Interim Policy.

# 3.4 Goverment Securities - Weekly Summary of Primary and Secondary Market Transactions (Week ending - 16<sup>th</sup> February 2023)

Outstanding Stock	Volume in Rs Mn			
	This Week	Last Week		
Outstanding Stock of Government Securities				
Treasury Bills	4,326,202.97	4,282,509.74		
Treasury Bonds <sup>(a)</sup>	9,019,862.16	9,019,862.16		
of which T-bills and T-bonds held by Foreigners	25,465.06	25,442.19		
Total	13,346,065.13	13,302,371.90		
Sri Lanka Development Bonds (SLDBs) <sup>(b)</sup>	272,857.87	272,859.83		

The outstanding stock of T-Bills and T-Bonds held by foreigners remained broadly stable in rupee terms during the reporting week compared to the week before.

Primary Market Activities <sup>(c)</sup>	Volume i	n Rs Mn
	This Week	Last Week
Treasury Bills		
Phase I, Price based Competitive Bidding Auction		
Amount Offered	85,000.00	100,000.00
Total Bids Received	124,804.00	166,622.00
Total Bids Accepted	70,920.00	53,596.00
Phase II, Non-competitive Allocation		
Amount Raised	7,133.00	71,404.00
Treasury Bonds		
Phase I, Price based Competitive Bidding Auction		
Amount Offered	-	-
Total Bids Received	-	-
Total Bids Accepted	-	-
Phase II, Non-competitive Allocation		
Amount Raised	-	-
Phase III, Mandatory Allocation		
Amount Raised	-	-
Direct Issuance Window		
Amount Raised	-	-

The weekly T-Bills auction was oversubscribed by 1.5 times each during the reporting week.

Concernent and the second second second	Volume	in Rs Mn				
Secondary Market Activities	This Week	Last Week				
Treasury Bills						
Outright Transaction (Sales/Purchases)	106,271.37	85,806.13				
Repo Transaction (Sales/Purchases)	245,956.10	203,665.90				
Treasury Bonds						
Outright Transaction (Sales/Purchases)	94,654.23	75,035.32				
Repo Transaction (Sales/Purchases)	361,761.37	344,956.51				
The total volume of secondary market transactions in T-Bills and T-Bonds has increased by 13.98 per cent in the reporting week						

The total volume of secondary market transactions in T-Bills and T-Bonds has increased by 13.98 per cent in the reporting week compared to the week before.

(a) Includes Treasury bonds amounting to Rs. 31,445.60 million issued to CPC to be matured on 01.01.2032.

(b) The outstanding SLDBs as of 08.02.2023 are based on confirmations received on SLDB issues as of 31.01.2023. (c) Limited to T-Bill and T-Bond issuances under regular issuance process

#### 3.5 Two Way Quotes (Treasury Bills) - 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Remaining Maturity	Average Buying Price	Yield %	Average Selling Price	Yield %	Buying & Selling Spread
1-7 Days	99.5766	22.11	99.6334	19.13	0.0568
1 Month	98.0035	24.72	98.2039	22.19	0.2004
2 Month	95.7969	26.62	96.1631	24.21	0.3662
3 Month	93.1021	29.64	93.3621	28.44	0.2600
4 Month	91.5116	28.14	91.9689	26.49	0.4573
5 Month	89.7821	27.62	90.2146	26.32	0.4325
6 Month	87.4609	28.67	87.8633	27.63	0.4024
7 Month	86.2856	27.55	86.8398	26.27	0.5542
8 Month	84.6922	27.41	85.3120	26.11	0.6198
9 Month	83.0933	27.43	83.8100	26.04	0.7167
10 Month	81.5263	27.49	82.3592	25.99	0.8329
11 Month	80.0671	27.46	80.9000	26.04	0.8329
12 Month	78.2074	27.87	78.9647	26.64	0.7572

#### 3.6 Two Way Quotes (Treasury Bonds) - 17th February 2023

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
10.00%2023A	6	15-Mar-23	26	98.8963	24.59	99.0114	23.01	0.1151
11.50%2023A	6	15-May-23	87	96.6691	25.45	97.0452	23.79	0.3761
10.20%2023A	5	15-Jul-23	148	93.9285	26.41	94.5651	24.60	0.6366
09.00%2023A	10	1-Sep-23	196	91.8296	26.38	92.5708	24.68	0.7412
11.20%2023A	9	1-Sep-23	196	92.4863	27.23	93.2538	25.48	0.7675
07.00%2023A	20	1-Oct-23	226	89.2205	27.01	90.2407	24.93	1.0202
06.30%2023A	3	15-Nov-23	271	86.6978	27.26	87.9887	24.99	1.2909
11.60%2023A	5	15-Dec-23	301	88.8468	27.51	90.1057	25.55	1.2589
11.40%2024A	10	1-Jan-24	318		27.63	88.9657	26.31	0.8808
10.90%2024A	5	15-Mar-24	392		27.41	86.8617	25.64	1.4047
22.50%2024A	2	1-May-24	439	91.7654	31.01	92.7423	29.93	0.9769
10.25%2024A	5	15-Jun-24	484	81.9628	27.31	83.5414	25.61	1.5786
11.00%2024A	8	1-Aug-24	531	79.2940	29.48	81.1372	27.57	1.8432
09.85%2024A	5	15-Sep-24	576		27.40	80.6465	25.53	1.9525
22.00%2024A	2	15-Nov-24	637	90.7022	29.03	91.8070	28.13	1.1048
06.00%2024A	10	1-Dec-24	653		27.33	73.3974	25.41	2.0899
22.50%2025A	3	15-Jan-25	698		31.54	88.8784	30.53	1.2767
10.25%2025A	10	15-Mar-25	757		28.26	74.1597	27.38	1.0790
09.00%2025A	10	1-May-25	804	69.7895	28.32	70.8853	27.30	1.0958
17.00%2025A	3	1-Jun-25	835		30.78	79.9146	27.44	1.5675
18.00%2025A	3	1-Jul-25	865		31.22	79.7526	30.54	0.9310
11.00%2025A	10	1-Aug-25	896		29.50	70.8490	28.23	1.6833
10.35%2025A	8	-	971		27.50	68.8326	20.23	1.8833
		15-Oct-25		67.6195				
06.75%2026A	5	15-Jan-26	1,063	60.6297	27.17	61.9250	26.26	1.2953
09.00%2026A	13	1-Feb-26	1,080	64.5645	27.19	66.0906	26.17	1.5261
05.35%2026A	15	1-Mar-26	1,108	56.8319	27.12	58.4071	26.00	1.5752
22.50%2026A	4	15-May-26	1,183		29.76	86.3201	29.22	0.9738
11.00%2026A	11	1-Jun-26	1,200	66.1366	27.19	67.8691	26.12	1.7326
11.50%2026A	10	1-Aug-26	1,261	65.6223	27.53	67.5896	26.34	1.9672
11.40%2027A	8	15-Jan-27	1,428	62.7335	27.53	64.9136	26.27	2.1801
18.00%2027A	5	1-May-27	1,534	74.5467	28.76	75.6688	28.18	1.1221
11.75%2027A	10	15-Jun-27	1,579	61.2616	27.60	63.6741	26.26	2.4126
07.80%2027A	7	15-Aug-27	1,640	50.7842	27.55	53.5635	25.86	2.7793
20.00%2027A	5	15-Sep-27	1,671	77.0873	29.39	77.9816	28.95	0.8943
10.30%2027A	8	15-Oct-27	1,701	56.3103	27.45	58.8934	26.00	2.5832
11.25%2027A	10	15-Dec-27	1,762		27.53	60.8279	25.90	3.0060
18.00%2028A	6	15-Jan-28	1,793		28.10	77.3761	26.46	3.5190
10.75%2028A	10	15-Mar-28	1,853	57.4544	26.44	59.3179	25.46	1.8636
09.00%2028B	15	1-May-28	1,900		26.64	53.8336	25.48	2.0947
09.00%2028A	15	1-Jul-28	1,961	50.5358	26.92	53.0652	25.51	2.5294
11.50%2028A	13	1-Sep-28	2,023		26.45	60.2550	25.19	2.5013
13.00%2029A	15	1-Jan-29	2,145		26.75	63.4682	25.23	3.1777
13.00%2029B	15	1-May-29	2,265		26.66	62.4509	25.27	2.9262
20.00%2029A	7	15-Jul-29	2,340		27.49	83.3590	25.36	5.4683
11.00%2030A	15	15-May-30	2,644	51.3072	26.38	55.5908	24.30	4.2836
11.25%2031A	12	15-Mar-31	2,948	50.6772	26.22	54.2504	24.50	3.5732
18.00%2031A	9	15-May-31	3,009		27.14	74.9477	25.34	4.6392
12.00%2031A	10	1-Dec-31	3,209	51.0200	26.66	54.3466	25.06	3.3266
08.00%2032A	20	1-Jan-32	3,240	37.1735	26.91	40.3700	25.00	3.1965
18.00%2032A	10	1-Jul-32	3,422	68.0026	27.68	73.0060	25.71	5.0034
09.00%2032A	20	1-Oct-32	3,514	39.4425	26.80	41.8221	25.42	2.3796
11.20%2033A	15	15-Jan-33	3,620		27.02	51.4679	24.36	5.3173
09.00%2033A	20	1-Jun-33	3,757	38.2703	26.95	43.7581	23.88	5.4878
13.25%2033A	20	1-Jul-33	3,787		26.90	59.9687	23.78	7.0874
09.00%2033B	20	1-Nov-33	3,910	38.0155	26.80	44.0115	23.48	5.9960
13.25%2034A	20	1-Jan-34	3,971	53.3901	26.44	61.6178	22.96	8.2277
10.25%2034A	15	15-Sep-34	4,228		26.20	49.2760	22.88	6.6684
11.50%2035A	20	15-Mar-35	4,409		25.63	55.2412	22.33	7.4056
10.50%2039A	20	15-Aug-39	6,023		25.55	48.7006	22.30	6.4920
12.00%2041A	25	1-Jan-41	6,528		22.50	61.2719	20.00	6.9662
09.00%2043A	30	1-Jun-43	7,409		22.53	45.8579	20.10	5.1860
13.50%2044A	30	1-Jan-44	7,623		22.55	67.3675	20.20	7.1049
13.50%2044B	30	1-Jun-44	7,775	60.1586	22.57	67.0806	20.27	6.9220

## External Sector

#### 4.1 Exchange Rates<sup>(a)</sup>

Item	Week	Ending - 17-	Feb-2023	Averag	ge Rate	
(Rs Per Unit) <sup>(b)</sup>	Buying	Selling	Average	Week	Year	Exchange Rates Month End
	Rate	Rate	Rate	Ago	Ago	
USD	359.48	369.67	364.57	364.66	200.75	460
GBP	428.26	443.55	435.91	441.16	272.69	
Yen	2.66	2.76	2.71	2.77	1.74	<u>ع</u> 300
Euro	380.72	395.75	388.24	391.23	230.98	₽ 300 ₽ 300
INR <sup>(c)</sup>			4.37	4.38	2.69	<sup>™</sup> 220
SDR	As at	16-Feb-2023	483.72	486.23	281.57	140
Central Bank Purcho	uses and Sale	es <sup>(d)</sup>	Jan	Month	Year	240202282528340
(USD Mn. )			2023	Ago	Ago	Month
Purchases			348.79	274.42	176.81	
Sales			137.64	170.64	407.76	

Item		Week Ending 17-Feb-2023	Week Ago	Year Ago
Average Daily Interbank Volume (USD mn)		32.00	31.81	30.75
(spot, tom and cash transactions among commercial banks)				
Forward Transactions				
Forward Rates (Rs per USD) <sup>(e)</sup>				
1 Month		368.19	365.05	200.97
3 Months		376.96	376.27	199.92
Average Daily Interbank Forward Volume (USD mn)		29.88	22.35	31.88
Outstanding Forward Volume (USD mn)	As at 16-Feb-2023	353.64	298.24	892.16
(a) The Control Rank started publishing a middle rate and variation margin of the in	torbank woighted average a	aat avahanaa rata ha	ainning 12 <sup>th</sup> May	000

(a) The Central Bank started publishing a middle rate and variation margin of the interbank weighted average spot exchange rate beginning 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022. (b) Commercial Bank Avg. Middle Rate (prevailing at 9.30a.m.)

(c) Central Bank middle exchange rate

(d) Total monthly purchases and sales of foreign exchange by the Central Bank from commercial banks at market rates.

(e) Weekly average based on actual transactions.

#### 4.2 Tourism & Workers' Remittances

Item		2022 Jan	2023 <sup>(a)</sup> Jan	% Change
Tourist Arrivals	Number	82,327	102,545	24.6
Earnings from Tourism	USD mn	151.7	161.8 <sup>(b)</sup>	6.7
	Rs. bn	30.6	58.7 <sup>(b)</sup>	91.9
		2022	2023 <sup>(a)</sup>	% Change
		Jan	Jan	% Change
Workers' Remittances (Inflows)	USD mn	259.2	437.5	68.8
	Rs. bn	52.2	158.6	203.6

(a) Provisional

(b) Subject to revision based on the survey conducted by the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority in 2023



Workers' Remittances - Inflows



#### 4.3 Official Reserve Assets as at end January 2023 (a)

Offi	cial Reserve Assets (USD Mn) <sup>(b)</sup>	2,120
(1)	Foreign Currency Reserves	2,064
(2)	Reserve position in the IMF	4
(3)	SDRs	22
(4)	Gold	29
(5)	Other Reserve Assets	1

(a) Provisional

(b) This includes proceeds from the PBOC swap equivalent to around US dollars 1.4 billion, which is subject to conditionalities on usability.

#### 4.4 International Reserves & Foreign Currency Liquidity as at end December 2022<sup>(a)</sup>

Official Reserve Assets (USD mn)			
Official Reserve Assets <sup>(b)</sup>	1,898		
(1) Foreign currency reserves	1,863		
(a) Securities	30		
(b) Total currency and deposits with	1,833		
(i) other national central banks, BIS and IMF	1,809		
(ii) banks headquartered inside the reporting country of which located abroad	0.1		
(iii) banks headquartered outside the reporting country			
(2) Reserve position in the IMF	4		
(3) SDRs	2		
(4) Gold	28		
(5) Other reserve assets	1		

Predetermined Short-Term Net Drains on Foreign Currency Assets <sup>(c)</sup> (USD mn)					
		Maturity	y 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	
<ol> <li>Foreign currency loans, securities, and deposits<sup>(d)</sup></li> </ol>	(3,185)	(69)	(160)	(2,956)	
outflows (-) Principal	(2,738)	(50)	(85)	(2,603)	
inflows (+) Interest inflows (+) Principal Interest	(447)	(19)	(75)	(353)	
<ol> <li>Aggregate short and long positions in forwards and futures in foreign currencies vis-à-vis the domestic currency (including the forward leg of currency swaps)</li> </ol>	(2,000)	(291)	(44)	(1,665)	
(i) Short positions (–) <sup>(e)</sup>	(2,263)	(479)	(119)	(1,665)	
(ii) Long positions (+)	263	188	75	-	
3. Other	(3)	(3)			
inflows related to reverse repos (+) outflows related to repos (–) other accounts payable (–)	(3)	(3)			

(a) Provisional

(b) This includes proceeds from the PBOC swap equivalent to around US dollars 1.4 bn, which is subject to conditionalities on usability.

(c) This mainly includes the predetermined outflows.

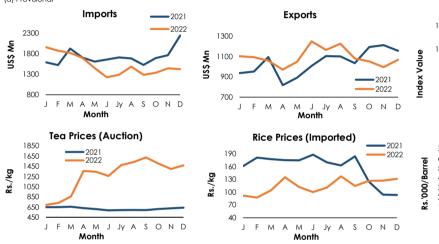
(d) Includes projected short-term net drains after the announcement of the suspension of selected external debt servicing by the Government for an interim period.

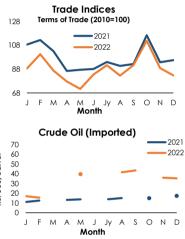
(e) A major share of SWAP outstanding will be rolled over.

#### 4.5 External Trade

	USD mn			Rs mn		
Item	Jan-Dec 2021	Jan-Dec 2022 <sup>(a)</sup>	% Change	Jan-Dec 2021	Jan-Dec 2022 <sup>(a)</sup>	% Change
Exports	12,498.6	13,106.4	4.9	2,486,943.1	4,234,913.1	70.3
Agricultural	2,729.5	2,568.0	(5.9)	543,083.2	835,007.4	53.8
Industrial	9,702.0	10,465.3	7.9	1,930,514.7	3,375,846.5	74.9
Food, Beverages and Tobacco	586.9	519.5	(11.5)	116,860.2	166,431.1	42.4
Textiles and Garments	5,435.1	5,952.0	9.5	1,081,158.2	1,922,051.1	77.8
Petroleum Products	506.4	568.0	12.2	100,974.9	177,194.3	75.5
Leather, Rubber products etc.	1,108.8	1,062.8	(4.1)	220,610.9	342,890.8	55.4
Other	2,064.8	2,362.9	14.4	410,910.5	767,279.2	86.7
Mineral	44.5	50.0	12.3	8,841.4	16,464.6	86.2
Other	22.6	23.2	2.6	4,503.8	7,594.7	68.6
Imports	20,637.4	18,291.0	(11.4)	4,104,217.5	5,737,333.4	39.8
Consumer Goods	3,848.7	2,813.0	(26.9)	764,978.6	872,256.4	14.0
Intermediate Goods	12,308.9	12,438.8	1.1	2,447,907.0	3,934,047.4	60.7
Investment Goods	4,462.7	3,030.5	(32.1)	887,913.8	928,088.6	4.5
Other	17.1	8.8	(48.8)	3,418.2	2,941.1	(14.0)
Trade Balance	(8,138.8)	(5,184.6)		(1,617,274.4)	(1,502,420.2)	

(a) Provisional





#### 4.6 Trade Indices (2010=100) (a)

ltem		2022 December <sup>(b)</sup>	Month Ago <sup>(b)</sup>	Year Ago
Total Exports				
	Value	148.6	138.5	160.9
	Quantity	171.3	141.8	169.0
	Unit Value	86.8	97.7	95.2
Total Imports				
	Value	127.6	129.3	200.6
	Quantity	121.8	117.7	201.3
	Unit Value	104.8	109.8	99.6
Terms of Trade		82.8	88.9	95.5
(a) In USD Terms (b) Provisional				

#### 4.7 Commodity Prices

Item	2021 December	2022 December <sup>(a)</sup>	% Change	2021 December	2022 December <sup>(a)</sup>	% Change
Colombo Tea Auction		USD/kg			Rs/kg	
Tea Prices	3.17	4.05	27.7	638.13	1,469.43	130.3
Imports (CIF)	USD / MT			Rs / MT		
Rice	463.70	361.02	(22.1)	93,388.85	131,109.15	40.4
Sugar	547.76	519.91	(5.1)	110,317.92	188,813.00	71.2
Wheat	348.66	435.31	24.9	70,219.69	158,089.75	125.1
	USD / Barrel			Rs / Barrel		
Crude Oil	85.38	97.03	13.6	17,195.45	35,238.27	104.9
(a) Provisional						