

Weekly Economic Indicators

05 August 2016



Statistics Department

Real Sector

Inflation, as measured by the change in the National Consumer Price Index (NCPI) (2013=100), which is compiled by the Department of Census and Statistics, increased to 6.4 per cent in June 2016 from 5.3 per cent in May 2016, on year-on-year basis. Both Food and Non-food categories contributed towards the year-on-year inflation in June 2016. The change in the NCPI measured on an annual average basis increased to 3.1 per cent in June 2016 from 2.7 per cent in May 2016. When the monthly change in the NCPI is considered, the NCPI increased by 2.1 per cent from 113.7 index points in May 2016 to 116.1 index points in June 2016. This monthly increase was mainly due to the increase in prices of the items in the Food category. Meanwhile, NCPI Core inflation, which reflects the underlying inflation in the economy increased to 7.5 per cent in June 2016 from 7.2 per cent in May 2016, on year-on-year basis. Annual average NCPI Core inflation increased to 5.3 per cent in June 2016 from 5.0 per cent in May 2016.

Inflation, as measured by the change in the Colombo Consumers' Price Index (CCPI) (2006/07=100) compiled by the Department of Census and Statistics decreased to 5.5 per cent in July 2016 from 6.0 per cent in June 2016, on an year-on-year basis. Annual average inflation increased to 2.7 per cent in July 2016 from 2.2 per cent in June 2016. The monthly increase in CCPI was 0.2 per cent. Core CCPI decreased to 5.8 per cent in July 2016 from 6.4 per cent in June 2016, on an year-on-year basis. Annual average core CCPI increased to 4.9 per cent in July 2016 from 4.8 per cent in June 2016.

The GDP grew by 5.5 per cent in real terms in first quarter of 2016, mainly attributable to 4.9 per cent, 8.3 per cent and 1.9 per cent growth in Services activities, Industry activities and Agriculture activities, respectively, in value added terms.

During the first half of 2016 production of tea declined due to unfavourable weather conditions and low demand from prime export destinations while production of rubber declined due to the slowdown of tapping activities. However, the coconut production has recorded an increase during the similar period.

The FIPI decreased by 8.4 per cent on a year-on-year basis in April 2016. This decline was mainly due to decreased production of food products, wearing apparel, beverages, tobacco products and rubber and plastic products sub-sectors. This was mainly attributed to decreased domestic and international demand.

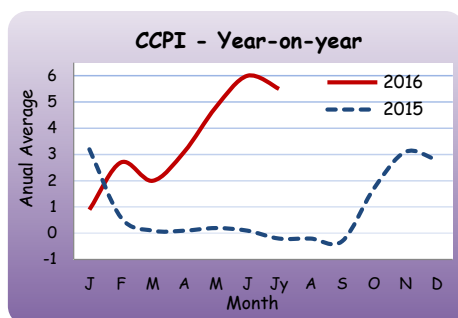
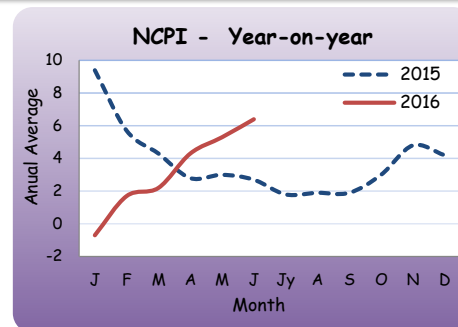
During the week crude oil spot prices showed mixed performance. At the beginning of the week crude oil prices fell to lowest since mid-April on heightened worries of a crude glut despite peak summer fuel demand due to market focus on reports which showed output from OPEC rose in July to its highest in recent history as Saudi Arabia, Iraq and Nigeria raised production to boost exports. However, subsequently crude oil prices rose following a large draw on U.S. gasoline inventories. The U.S. Energy Information Administration reported gasoline inventories dropped by 3.3 million barrels and market Intelligence firm Genscape reported that stockpiles at the Cushing, Oklahoma delivery hub fell by 89,071 barrels.

Highlights

REAL SECTOR

1.1 Price Indices

Item	June 2016	Month Ago	Year Ago
(2013 = 100)			
National Consumer Price Index (NCPI)	116.1	113.7	109.1
Monthly Change %	2.1	1.9	1.0
Year - on - Year Change %	6.4	5.3	2.7
Annual Average Change %	3.1	2.7	-
Core Inflation - (NCPI)	118.2	117.5	110.0
Annual Average Change %	5.3	5.0	-
Year - on - Year Change %	7.5	7.2	4.2
Item	July 2016	Month Ago	Year Ago
(2006 / 07 = 100)			
Colombo Consumers' Price Index (CCPI)	192.9	192.5	182.8
Annual Average Change %	2.7	2.2	1.3
Year - on - Year Change %	5.5	6.0	-0.2
Core Inflation - (CCPI)	189.2	188.8	178.9
Annual Average Change %	4.9	4.8	2.8
Year - on - Year Change %	5.8	6.4	3.5

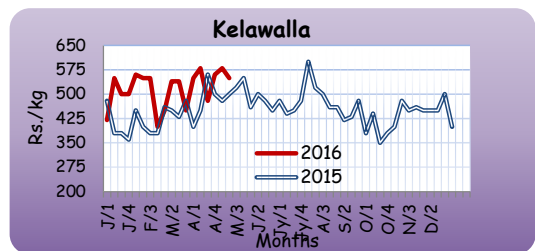
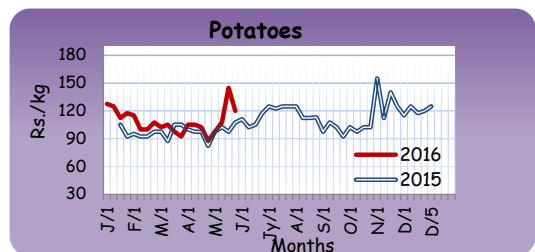
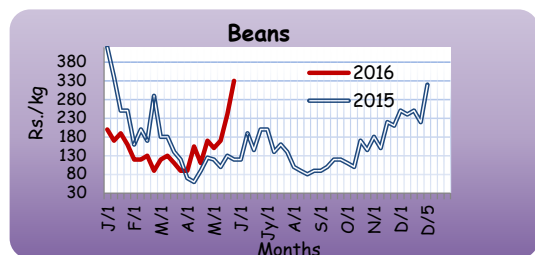
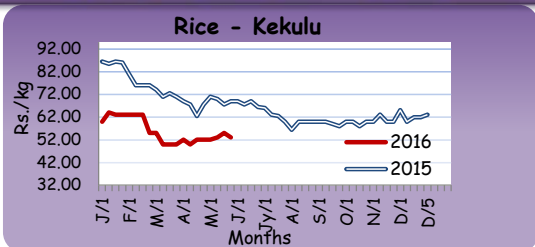


1.2 Pettah Market

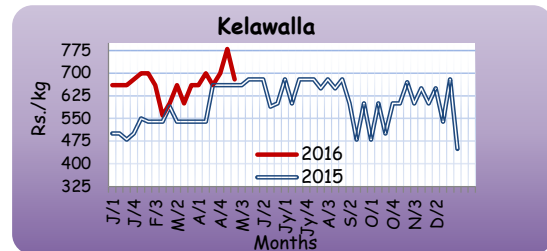
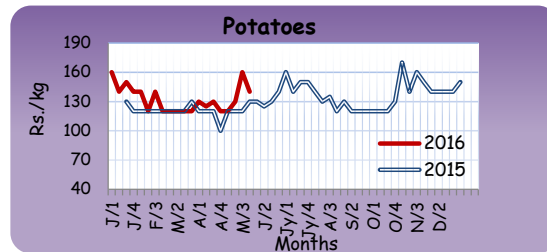
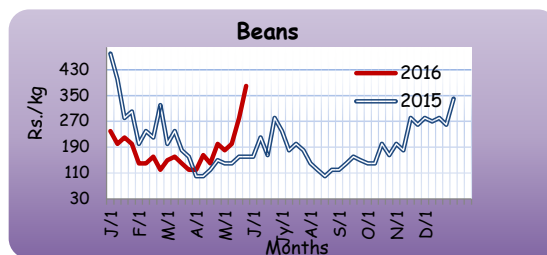
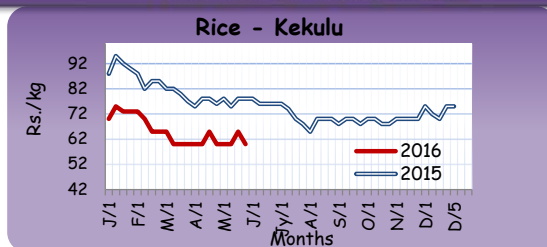
Item	Average Wholesale Prices				Average Retail Prices			
	Week Ending 04 th Aug 2016	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago Annual Avg	Week Ending 04 th Aug 2016	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago Annual Avg
	Rs / Kg				Rs / Kg			
Rice								
Samba	75.00	80.00	79.38	83.22	88.00	88.00	88.00	90.10
Kekulu (Red)	58.00	55.00	54.50	66.15	68.00	65.00	63.75	75.20
Vegetables								
Beans	170.00	210.00	180.00	160.49	200.00	240.00	215.00	196.86
Cabbage	80.00	120.00	145.00	79.31	120.00	160.00	185.00	117.94
Carrots	140.00	120.00	142.50	146.27	170.00	160.00	180.00	184.90
Tomatoes	40.00	100.00	152.50	89.80	80.00	140.00	190.00	126.18
Pumpkins	70.00	140.00	160.00	49.12	90.00	160.00	185.00	72.94
Snake Gourd	50.00	80.00	85.00	73.73	80.00	120.00	125.00	106.57
Brinjals	80.00	100.00	80.00	72.56	120.00	140.00	120.00	105.69
Ash-Plantains	100.00	90.00	87.50	81.08	120.00	120.00	115.00	110.59
Other Foods								
Red-Onions (Local)	50.00	95.00	112.50	105.28	130.00	150.00	162.50	135.34
Big-Onions (Local)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	95.17	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	124.67
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	142.50	140.00	157.50	107.98	170.00	160.00	175.00	130.80
Dried Chilies (Imported)	300.00	300.00	300.00	248.90	360.00	360.00	360.00	291.08
Dhal (Indian)	158.00	160.00	160.75	161.98	169.00	169.00	173.25	177.43
Eggs (Red)	18.50	18.50	16.75	14.17	19.00	19.00	17.25	14.77
Coconut (Each)	28.00	29.50	26.50	41.00	40.00	35.00	38.75	53.18
Fish*								
Kelawalla	450.00	550.00	490.00	453.14	630.00	770.00	722.50	598.24
Balaya	300.00	300.00	325.00	295.00	400.00	400.00	425.00	361.20
Salaya	150.00	180.00	152.50	114.71	200.00	220.00	202.50	156.08
Paraw (Small)	550.00	660.00	640.00	484.69	650.00	750.00	737.50	547.96

* Prices collected from the Fisheries Trade Centre, Peliyagoda.

Pettah Market - Wholesale Prices



Pettah Market - Retail Prices



1.3 Dambulla Market

Item (Rs / Kg)	Week Ending 04 th Aug 2016	
	Wholesale (Average)	Retail (Average)
Rice		
Samba	80.50	85.50
Kekulu (Red)	54.00	61.00
Vegetables		
Beans	146.00	185.00
Carrot	103.00	150.00
Tomatoes	37.50	71.00
Pumpkins	53.50	76.00
Snake Gourd	31.50	55.00
Ash-Plantains	67.00	88.00
Other Foods		
Red-Onions (Local)	59.00	90.00
Big-Onions (Local)	62.50	77.50
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	135.00	162.00
Dried Chilies(Imported)	297.00	360.00
Coconut (Each)	27.30	36.50

1.5 Maradaghamula Market

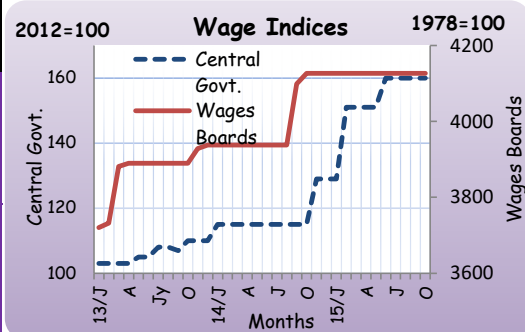
Average wholesale price of Rice				
Item (Rs / Kg)	Week Ending 05 th Aug	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Samba	71.70	72.50	73.66	79.56
Sudu Kekulu	56.90	57.50	58.82	62.37
Raw Red	56.80	58.00	57.68	66.17
Nadu	63.50	64.40	64.32	64.24

1.4 Narahenpita Economic Centre

Item (Rs / Kg)	Average Retail Prices	
	05 th Aug 2016	Week Ago
Rice		
Samba	90.00	90.00
Kekulu (Red)	70.00	69.33
Vegetables		
Beans	156.67	176.67
Cabbage	160.00	156.67
Carrots	136.67	140.00
Tomatoes	83.33	156.67
Pumpkins	136.67	160.00
Snake Gourd	116.67	140.00
Brinjals	116.67	116.67
Ash-Plantains	136.67	136.67
Other Foods		
Red-Onions (Imported)	156.67	160.00
Big-Onions (Imported)	78.00	77.00
Potatoes (Imported)	100.00	106.67
Dried Chilies (Imported)	330.00	340.00
Dhal (Indian)	167.00	166.67
Eggs (Red)(Each)	14.67	14.67
Coconut (Each)	48.33	50.00
Fish		
Kelawalla	943.33	866.67
Balaya	346.67	346.67
Salaya	273.33	276.67
Paraw (Small)	873.33	886.67

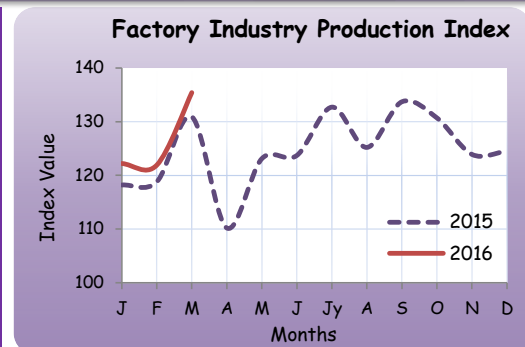
1.6 Wage rate Indices

Item	2016 April	2015 April	% Change
(2012 = 100)			
Central Government Employees	160.8	151.4	6.2
(1978 = 100)			
Workers in Wages Boards Trades	4,127.1	4,127.2	0.0
Agriculture	4,734.5	4,734.5	0.0
Industry & Commerce	3,459.1	3,459.1	0.0
Services	2,313.2	2,313.2	0.0



1.7 Factory Industry-Production (FIPI) (2010 = 100) (a)

Item	2016 (b) April	2015 April	% Change
Factory Industry- Production Index	105.6	115.3	-8.4
Food products	89.7	95.2	-5.9
Beverages	111.5	124.3	-10.2
Tobacco products	85.7	99.6	-14.0
Wearing apparel	147.7	157.9	-6.5
Chemicals and chemical products	64.0	71.6	-10.7
Rubber and plastic products	94.3	97.3	-3.1
Other non-metallic mineral products	107.8	87.1	23.8

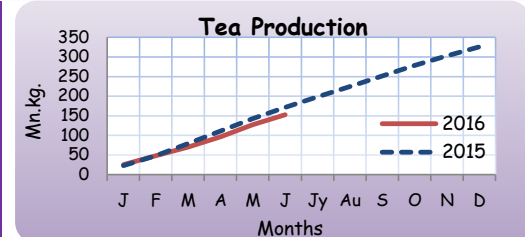


(a) Major 7 sub divisions of FIPI out of 17 sub divisions.

(b) Provisional

1.8 Agriculture Production

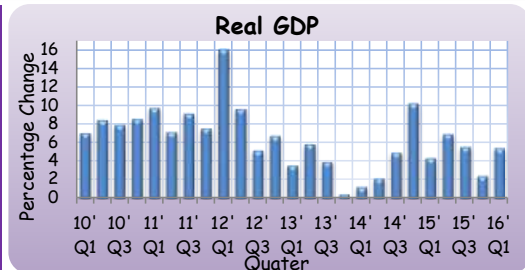
Item	Unit	2016(a) Jan-Jun	2015 Jan-Jun	% Change
Tea	(Mn Kg)	152.5	171.9	-11.3
Rubber	(Mn Kg)	47.9	50.4	-5.0
Coconuts	(Mn Nuts)	1,526.9	1,500.0	1.8



(a) Provisional

1.9 GDP by Industrial Origin at Constant (2010) Prices - Growth Rates in value added terms

Item	2016(a) 1 st Quarter	2015(a) 1 st Quarter	2015(a) Annual
Agriculture	1.9	5.9	5.5
Industry	8.3	1.4	3.0
Services	4.9	5.4	5.3
GDP	5.5	4.4	4.8



(a) Provisional

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

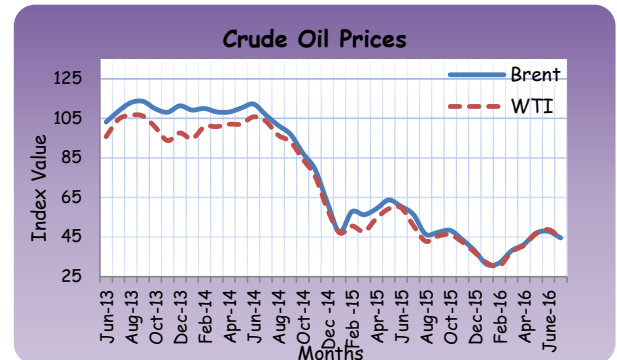
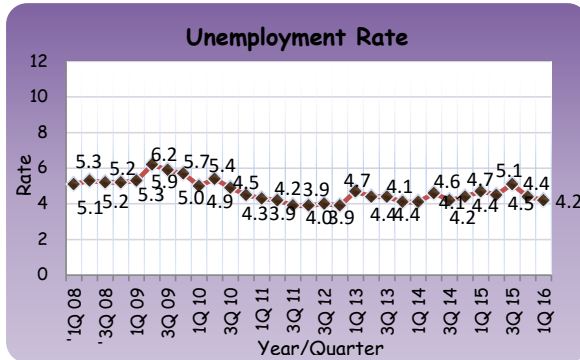
1.10 Employment (a)

Item	2015 (b) 1 st Quarter	2016 (b) 1 st Quarter	2015 Annual
Labour Force Participation rate	53.5	54.1	53.8
Unemployment rate	4.7	4.2	4.7
Employed Persons by Sectors (c) (as a % of total employment)			
Agriculture	29.9	28.5	28.7
Industry	25.6	26.0	25.8
Services	44.5	45.5	45.6

(a) The working age population aged 15 and above (b) Provisional

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

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



1.11 Average Crude Oil Prices

Month	2015			2016		
	Spot Prices (US \$/bbl)		CPC Import Prices (C&F) (US\$/bbl)(*)	Spot Prices (US \$/bbl)		CPC Import Prices (C&F) (US\$/bbl)(*)
	Brent (Benchmark price)	WTI (Benchmark price)		Brent (Benchmark price)	WTI (Benchmark price)	
January	47.46	47.11	55.47	31.10	31.96	31.87
February	57.81	50.58	69.52	31.93	30.32	35.36
March	56.30	47.82	-	38.06	37.55	36.85
April	59.32	54.45	-	41.25	40.75	44.05
May	63.76	59.26	63.09	47.00	46.69	48.84
June	60.53	59.82	66.17	47.82	48.76	50.95
July	56.48	50.90	60.49	44.54	44.65	
August	46.43	42.87	54.92			
September	47.41	45.48	48.65			
October	48.36	46.22	49.26			
November	43.68	42.44	45.46			
December	38.08	37.21	41.21			
	2015			2016		
29 July	55.43	48.77		40.36	41.54	
01 August	-	-		39.77	40.05	
02 August	-	-		39.60	39.50	
03 August	49.84	45.25		40.05	40.80	
04 August	49.43	45.75		40.93	41.92	

Sources: Reuters
Energy Information Administration
Ceylon Petroleum Corporation

(*) CPC import prices are not directly comparable with spot prices of WTI and Brent as CPC is 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

Weekly AWPR for the week ending 05 August 2016 increased by 47 bps to 11.45 per cent compared to the previous week.

Broad money (M2b) expanded by 16.5 per cent on a year-on-year basis in May 2016.

NFA of the banking system declined marginally by Rs. 3.3 billion in May 2016.

NCG from the banking system showed an increase of Rs. 6.1 billion in May 2016.

Credit extended to the private sector increased by Rs. 60.2 billion in May 2016.

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

The total outstanding market liquidity decreased to a short position of Rs. 48.22 bn by end of the week, compared to an short position of Rs. 46.28 bn by the end of last week.

By 05 August 2016, All Share Price Index (ASPI) increased by 1.93 per cent to 6,517 points while S&P SL 20 Index increased by 3.43 per cent to 3,531 points, compared to the previous week.

Highlights

MONETARY SECTOR

2.1 Interest Rates

Item	Week Ending 2016 Aug 05	Week Ago	Year Ago
Policy Interest Rates			
Standing Deposit Facility Rate	7.00	7.00	6.00
Standing Lending Facility Rate	8.50	8.50	7.50
Average Weighted Call Money Rate (AWCMR)(Weekly Average)	8.40	8.27	6.11
Sri Lanka Inter Bank Offered Rate (SLIBOR)			
1 day	8.43	8.56	6.13
7 days	9.50	9.45	6.31
1 Month	10.47	10.43	6.59
3 Months	10.72	10.67	6.80
6 Months	11.28	11.09	7.09
12 Months	11.71	11.51	7.39
Treasury Bill Yields (Excluding 10% withholding tax)			
91 days	8.99	-	-
182 days	9.90	9.69	6.50
364 days	10.73	10.48	6.54
Licensed Commercial Banks			
Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR)	11.45	10.98	6.98
	June 2016	Month Ago	Year Ago
Saving Deposits	0.50-9.00	0.50-8.50	0.50-8.00
One Year Fixed Deposits	4.50-15.00	4.50-15.00	3.50-15.00
	July 2016	Month Ago	Year Ago
Average Weighted Deposit Rate (AWDR)	7.10	6.87	6.00
Average Weighted Fixed Deposit Rate (AWFDR)	8.99	8.64	7.21
	June 2016	Month Ago	Year Ago
Average Weighted Lending Rate (AWLR)	12.09	11.89	11.25
National Savings Bank (NSB)			
	June 2016	Month Ago	Year Ago
Saving Deposits	4.50	4.50	5.00
One Year Fixed Deposits	10.00	8.50	6.50
Treasury Bonds Auction			
	(4 Y & 07 Months) 29/07/2016	(8 Years) 29/07/2016	(10 years) 29/07/2016
Coupon rate	10.75	11.00	11.50
Weighted Average Yield (Excluding 10% withholding tax)	12.07	12.61	12.86

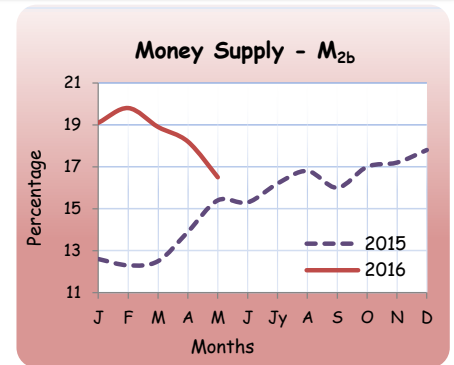
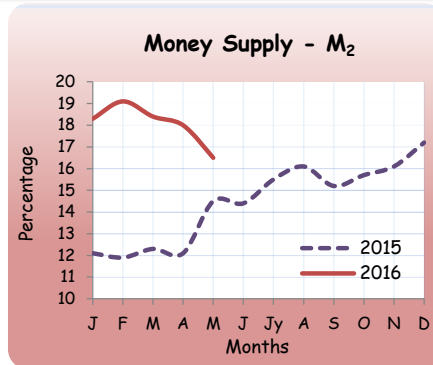
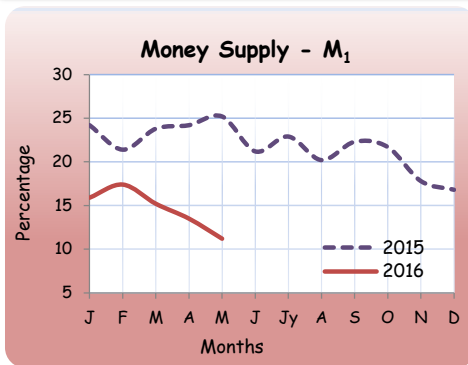
Bankwise- AWPR	Week ending 2016 Aug 05	Week Ago
Bank of Ceylon	10.63	10.53
People's Bank	11.73	11.73
Hatton National Bank	12.25	11.64
Commercial Bank of Ceylon	11.77	11.71
Sampath Bank	11.94	11.59
Seylan Bank	11.91	11.34
Union Bank of Colombo	13.38	12.84
Pan Asia Banking Corporation	15.90	14.73
Nations Trust Bank	11.42	11.30
DFCC Bank	12.28	12.88
NDB Bank	15.52	13.04
Amana Bank	11.98	11.49
Cargills Bank	12.87	12.05

Bankwise- AWPR	Week ending 2016 Aug 05	Week Ago
HSBC	8.88	9.01
Standard Chartered Bank	10.46	10.19
Citi Bank	10.57	9.81
Deutsche Bank	9.56	9.21
Habib Bank	10.23	10.23
Indian Bank	12.37	11.86
Indian Overseas Bank	12.87	12.48
MCB Bank	11.04	11.52
State Bank of India	12.44	11.92
Public Bank	10.25	10.25
ICICI Bank	11.17	11.17
Axis Bank	12.04	11.90

2.2 Money Supply

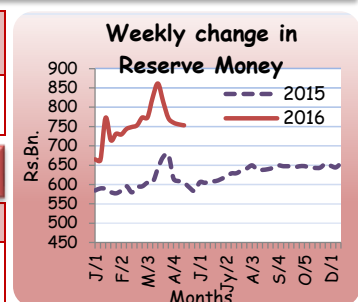
Item	Rs. Bn.			Annual Change (%)		
	2016 (a)	Month	Year	2016 (a)	Month	Year
	May	Ago	Ago	May	Ago	Ago
Reserve Money	733.3	763.1	589.8	24.3	24.6	18.1
M ₁	701.7	715.5	630.8	11.2	13.5	25.2
M ₂	4,241.0	4,242.0	3,641.3	16.5	18.0	14.5
M _{2b}	4,781.1	4,772.1	4,102.8	16.5	18.2	15.4
Net Foreign Assets of the Banking System (b)	-467.5	-464.2	-177.0	-164.2	-170.9	-211.2
Monetary Authorities	422.6	437.6	550.5	-23.2	-23.7	-17.6
Commercial Banks	-890.1	-901.8	-727.5	-22.4	-21.1	-43.0
Domestic Banking Units (DBUs)	-330.5	-312.7	-234.6	-40.9	-33.5	-15.1
Offshore Banking Units (OBUs)	-559.6	-589.1	-492.8	-13.5	-15.4	-61.7
Net Domestic Assets of the Banking System (b)	5,248.6	5,236.3	4,279.7	22.6	24.4	26.0
Net Credit to the Government	1,965.5	1,959.4	1,662.7	18.2	20.5	20.9
Monetary Authorities	407.2	424.2	201.5	102.1	87.6	37.8
Commercial Banks	1,558.3	1,535.3	1,461.2	6.6	9.6	18.9
DBUs	1,160.5	1,142.3	1,191.2	-2.6	0.9	15.3
OBUs	397.8	392.9	270.0	47.3	46.6	37.9
Credit to Public Corporations	489.8	511.5	496.9	-1.4	2.8	50.4
DBUs	262.8	259.0	202.5	29.8	29.3	39.2
OBUs	227.0	252.6	294.4	-22.9	-15.1	59.3
Credit to the Private Sector	3,722.2	3,662.0	2,908.2	28.0	28.1	17.6
DBUs	3,450.6	3,396.7	2,660.6	29.7	29.7	17.1
OBUs	271.7	265.3	247.6	9.7	10.3	22.3
Other Items (Net)	-928.9	-896.7	-788.0	-17.9	-15.8	-0.7

(a) Provisional (b) In relation to M_{2b}



2.3 Weekly change in Reserve Money

Item	04 Aug 2016	Week Ago	Change
Reserve Money (Rs.Mn.)	778,229	772,182	6,047



2.4 Money Market Activity (Overnight)

Item	01.08.2016	02.08.2016	03.08.2016	04.08.2016	05.08.2016
Call Money Market					
Weighted Average Rate (% p.a.)	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40
Gross Volume (Rs. Mn)	12,320	16,090	15,380	14,340	10,090
Repo Market					
Weighted Average Rate (% p.a.)	8.71	8.61	8.55	8.54	8.55
Gross Volume (Rs. Mn)	14,451	18,473	21,533	21,840	21,867

2.5 CBSL Security Portfolio

Item	01.08.2016	02.08.2016	03.08.2016	04.08.2016	05.08.2016
CBSL T-Bill Holding (Rs. Mn)	273,462	269,544	267,081	270,486	276,564

2.6 Open Market Operations

Item	01.08.2016	02.08.2016	03.08.2016	04.08.2016	05.08.2016
Short-Term Auction					
Repo Amount Offered (Rs. bn)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Reverse Repo Amount Offered (Rs. bn)	45.00	45.00	40.00	45.00	47.00
Tenure (No. of Days)	1	1	1	1	1
Bids Received (Rs. bn)	44.19	46.32	48.51	53.17	56.56
Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)	44.19	45.00	40.00	45.00	47.00
Weighted Average Yield Rate (% p.a.)	8.32	8.30	8.29	8.29	8.30
Term Auction					
Repo Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Reverse Repo Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Standing Facility					
Standing Deposit Facility (Rs. bn)	13.16	12.94	14.37	16.83	15.27
Standing Lending Facility (Rs. bn)	19.41	14.68	17.16	15.51	16.49
Total Outstanding Market Liquidity (Rs. bn)	-50.44	-46.74	-42.79	-43.68	-48.22

2.7 Credit Cards (a)

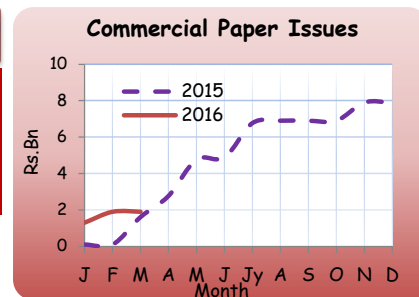
Item	2016 (b) End June	2016 End May	2015 End Dec
Total Number of Active Cards	1,205,422	1,191,448	1,142,231
Local (accepted only locally)	30,043	30,192	30,902
Global (accepted globally)	1,175,379	1,161,256	1,111,329
Outstanding balance (Rs. Mn.)	65,433	65,088	63,010
Local (accepted only locally)	804	808	1,226
Global (accepted globally)	64,630	64,281	61,784

(a) Issued by Licensed Commercial Banks (b) Provisional

2.8 Commercial Paper Issues (a)

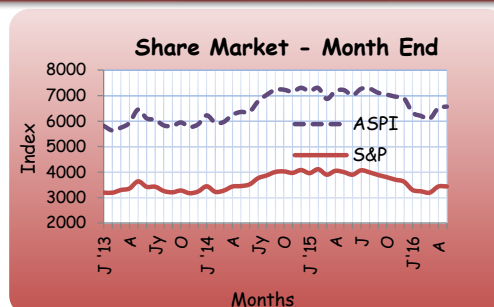
Item (Rs. bn.)	2016 End June(b)	2016 End May (c)	2015 End Dec
Total Issues - Cumulative	4.8	4.8	7.9
Outstanding (as at end of the period)	4.5	4.5	4.5

(a) Based on the information provided by Licensed Commercial Banks and Licensed Specialised Banks (b) provisional (c) Revised



2.9 Share Market

Item	Week Ending 05 Aug 2016	Week Ago	Year Ago
All Share Price Index (1985 = 100) (ASPI)	6,517	6,394	7,366
S & P Sri Lanka 20 Index (S&P SL20)	3,531	3,414	4,083
Average Daily Turnover (Rs. Mn)	974	471	1,671
Market Capitalisation (Rs.Bn.)	2,777	2,725	3,130



Fiscal Sector

During the first quarter of 2016, government revenue as a percentage of estimated GDP increased to 2.8 per cent from 2.5 per cent in the corresponding period in 2015. Average monthly revenue during this period was around Rs. 115.2 billion compared to Rs. 95.2 billion recorded in the same period of 2015. Tax revenue increased by 26.3 per cent to Rs. 325.4 billion during the first quarter of 2016 from Rs. 257.7 billion in the corresponding period of 2015 mainly due to increase in revenue from excise taxes, income taxes and import related taxes. Non tax revenue declined by 27.5 per cent to Rs. 20.2 billion during the first quarter of 2016 compared to Rs. 27.9 billion in the corresponding period of 2015 mainly due to decline in profits and dividend from State Owned Business Enterprises (SOBEs).

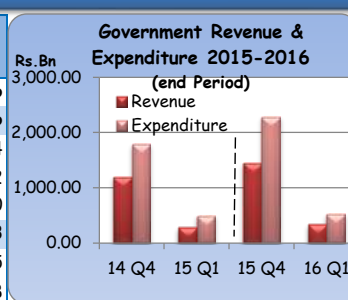
Total expenditure and net lending during the first quarter of 2016 is estimated to be declined to 4.3 per cent of estimated GDP from 4.4 per cent of GDP during the same period in 2015 mainly due to decline in recurrent expenditure to 3.5 per cent of estimated GDP from 3.6 per cent of GDP recorded in the same period in 2015. However, in nominal terms, total expenditure and net lending is estimated to be increased by 6.7 per cent to Rs. 526.3 billion during the first quarter of 2016 in comparison to Rs. 493.4 billion recorded in the same period of 2015, due to a considerable increase in expenditure on salaries and wages and pension.

In nominal terms, total outstanding government debt increased to Rs. 8,772.4 billion as at end March 2016 from Rs. 8,503.2 billion at end 2015. Foreign debt decreased by Rs. 38.9 billion to Rs. 3,505.1 billion while domestic debt increased by Rs. 308.1 billion to Rs. 5,267.3 billion.

FISCAL SECTOR

3.1 Government Finance (Rs.bn)

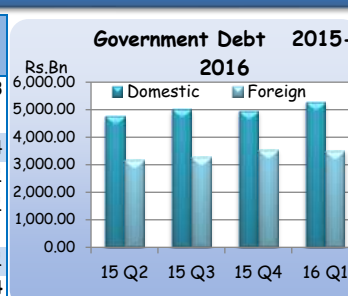
Item	2015	2016(a)
	1 st Quarter	1 st Quarter
Revenue and Grants	285.6	345.6
Revenue	285.6	345.6
Tax	257.7	325.4
Non tax	27.9	20.2
Grants	0.1	0.0
Expenditure & Lending Minus Repayments	493.4	526.3
Current	410.9	426.5
Capital & Lending Minus Repayments	82.5	99.8



(a) Provisional

3.2 Outstanding Central Government Debt (Rs.bn)

Item	End 2015	2016(a)
		1 st Quarter
Total domestic debt	4,959.2	5,267.3
of which		
Treasury bills	658.2	649.4
Treasury bonds	3,305.2	3,493.1
Rupee loans	24.1	24.1
Total foreign debt	3,544.0	3,505.1
Total outstanding govt. debt	8,503.2	8,772.4



(a) Provisional

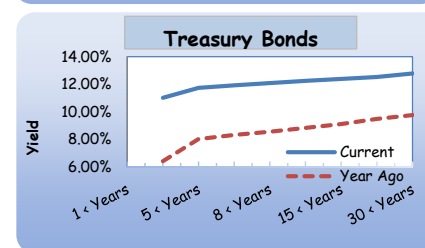
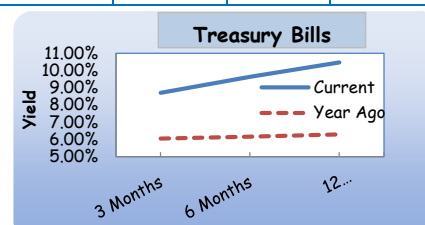
3.3 Government Securities - Primary and Secondary Market Yield Rates as for the week ending - 03rd August 2016

Security	Maturity	Primary Market(a)		Secondary Market			
		This Week	Last Week	This Week			Last Week
				Buying	Selling	Average	Average
Treasury Bills	3 Months	8.99%	-	9.03%	8.75%	8.89%	8.70%
	6 Months	9.90%	9.69%	9.94%	9.69%	9.82%	9.66%
	12 Months	10.73%	10.48%	10.65%	10.47%	10.56%	10.41%
Treasury Bonds	< 2 Years	-	-	11.23%	11.12%	11.17%	11.00%
	< 5 Years	12.07%	-	12.01%	11.92%	11.97%	11.76%
	< 6 Years	-	-	12.19%	12.07%	12.13%	11.93%
	< 8 Years	12.61%	-	12.39%	12.27%	12.33%	12.15%
	< 10 Years	12.86%	-	12.56%	12.45%	12.50%	12.35%
	< 15 Years	-	-	12.75%	12.63%	12.69%	12.50%
	< 20 Years	-	-	12.90%	12.80%	12.85%	12.72%
< 30 Years	-	-	13.13%	12.96%	13.05%	12.92%	

(a) Primary market transactions during the week ending 03/08/2016

The secondary market yield rates of T-bills and T-bonds increased across all maturities during the reporting week, compared to the secondary market yield rates of the previous week.

Security	Maturity Date	Coupon Rate	Secondary Market	
			This Week	Last Week
International Sovereign Bonds	4-Oct-20	6.250%	4.67%	4.71%
	27-Jul-21	6.250%	4.94%	5.04%
	18-Jan-22	5.750%	5.04%	5.13%
	25-Jul-22	5.875%	5.19%	5.31%
	14-Jan-19	6.000%	4.11%	4.12%
	11-Apr-19	5.125%	4.18%	4.18%
	3-Jun-25	6.125%	5.90%	6.04%
	3-Nov-25	6.850%	6.04%	6.22%
18-Jul-26	6.825%	6.17%	6.36%	



3.4 Government Securities - Weekly Summary of Primary and Secondary Market Transactions (Week Ended - 03rd August 2016)

Item	Volume in Rs Mn	
	This Week	Last Week
Outstanding Stock of Government Securities		
Treasury Bills	737,712.21	736,915.01
Treasury Bonds (a)	3,961,408.96	3,978,095.11
Total	4,699,121.17	4,715,010.12
T-bills and T-bonds held by Foreigners	287,671.86	288,439.57
Sri Lanka Development Bonds (SLDB)	690,284.76	690,308.44

The outstanding stock of T-bills slightly increased with new issuances during the reporting week compared to the previous week.

Primary Market Activities	Volume in Rs Mn	
	This Week	Last Week
Treasury Bills		
Amount Offered	22,500.00	19,000.00
Total Bids Received	66,981.00	48,251.00
Total Bids Accepted	18,152.00	20,156.00
Treasury Bonds		
Amount Offered	60,000.00	
Total Bids Received	195,486.00	No auction held
Total Bids Accepted	63,085.00	

The weekly T-bill and T-bond auctions were over subscribed by 3.0 times and 3.3 times, respectively.

Secondary Market Activities	Volume in Rs Mn	
	This Week	Last Week
Treasury Bills		
Outright Transaction (Sales / Purchases)	29,476.74	38,275.50
Repo Transaction (Sales / Purchases)	193,735.49	178,548.55
Treasury Bonds		
Outright Transaction (Sales / Purchases)	94,887.31	70,843.85
Repo Transaction (Sales / Purchases)	813,249.13	833,054.53

The secondary market outright transactions increased by 13.97 per cent, while the secondary market repo transactions slightly decreased by 0.46 per cent, in the reporting week compared to the previous week.

(a) Excludes Treasury bonds amounting to Rs.4,397 million issued to CWE in November 2003, Rs. 78,441 million issued to settle dues to CPC in January 2012, Rs. 13,125 million issued to capitalize Sri Lankan Airlines in March 2013.

3.5 Two way Quotes (Treasury Bills) - 05/08/2016

Remaining Maturity	Average Buying Price	Yield %	Average Selling Price	Yield %	Buying & Selling Spread
1-7 Days	99.84	8.46	99.84	8.25	0.00
1 Month	99.29	8.63	99.31	8.40	0.02
2 Month	98.56	8.81	98.59	8.62	0.03
3 Month	97.77	9.07	97.83	8.82	0.06
4 Month	96.97	9.26	97.04	9.03	0.07
5 Month	96.08	9.54	96.17	9.31	0.10
6 Month	95.08	9.98	95.18	9.77	0.11
7 Month	94.23	10.04	94.33	9.85	0.11
8 Month	93.31	10.17	93.46	9.94	0.15
9 Month	92.40	10.28	92.56	10.05	0.16
10 Month	91.48	10.37	91.65	10.16	0.17
11 Month	90.52	10.49	90.70	10.29	0.18
12 Month	89.41	10.74	89.58	10.57	0.17

3.6 Two way Quotes (Treasury Bonds)- 05/08/2016

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
08.00%2016A	5	1-Sep-16	27	99.89	9.19	99.91	8.97	0.02
06.40%2016B	6	1-Oct-16	57	99.53	9.24	99.56	9.05	0.03
08.00%2017A	5	1-Jan-17	149	99.21	9.94	99.29	9.76	0.07
05.80%2017A	6	15-Jan-17	163	98.19	10.03	98.28	9.81	0.09
08.25%2017A	3	1-Mar-17	208	98.96	10.13	99.06	9.95	0.10
08.75%2017A	4	15-May-17	283	98.76	10.42	98.95	10.16	0.19
08.00%2017B	5	15-Jun-17	314	97.91	10.58	98.10	10.34	0.20
05.80%2017B	6	15-Jul-17	344	95.78	10.61	95.98	10.38	0.20
08.50%2018A	15	1-Feb-18	545	96.68	10.97	97.05	10.69	0.37
08.50%2018C	5	1-Apr-18	604	96.23	11.04	96.36	10.94	0.13
08.50%2018D	5	1-Jun-18	665	95.76	11.12	95.94	11.01	0.18
08.50%2018B	15	15-Jul-18	709	95.43	11.18	95.58	11.08	0.16
07.50%2018A	15	15-Aug-18	740	93.41	11.22	93.59	11.11	0.18
08.75%2018A	4	15-Oct-18	801	95.21	11.26	95.48	11.12	0.27
08.00%2018A	6	15-Nov-18	832	93.51	11.30	93.76	11.16	0.25
05.65%2019A	8	15-Jan-19	893	88.05	11.39	88.19	11.32	0.14
08.50%2019A	10	1-May-19	999	93.18	11.46	93.38	11.37	0.20
10.60%2019A	5	1-Jul-19	1,060	97.78	11.51	98.01	11.41	0.23
10.60%2019B	5	15-Sep-19	1,136	97.33	11.64	97.58	11.54	0.24
08.00%2019A	8	1-Nov-19	1,183	90.39	11.63	90.64	11.53	0.25
09.25%2020A	5	1-May-20	1,365	92.56	11.76	92.82	11.66	0.26
08.00%2020A	8	1-Jun-20	1,396	88.81	11.71	88.96	11.65	0.16
06.20%2020A	10	1-Aug-20	1,457	82.67	11.77	82.84	11.71	0.17
09.50%2020A	5	15-Dec-20	1,593	92.18	11.84	92.58	11.71	0.41
10.75%2021A	5	1-Mar-21	1,669	95.72	11.99	96.08	11.88	0.36
09.00%2021A	8	1-May-21	1,730	89.53	11.95	89.84	11.85	0.31
11.00%2021A	7	1-Aug-21	1,822	96.55	11.94	96.77	11.87	0.22
09.45%2021A	7	15-Oct-21	1,897	90.32	12.00	90.63	11.91	0.31
08.00%2022A	10	1-Jan-22	1,975	84.19	12.06	84.45	11.99	0.26
11.20%2022A	9	1-Jul-22	2,156	96.37	12.07	96.75	11.98	0.38
10.00%2022A	8	1-Oct-22	2,248	90.85	12.15	91.32	12.03	0.48
09.00%2023A	10	1-Sep-23	2,583	84.93	12.24	85.38	12.13	0.45
11.20%2023A	9	1-Sep-23	2,583	94.86	12.30	95.48	12.17	0.62
07.00%2023A	20	1-Oct-23	2,613	75.24	12.30	75.64	12.20	0.39
11.40%2024A	10	1-Jan-24	2,705	95.11	12.42	95.66	12.30	0.55
11.00%2024A	8	1-Aug-24	2,918	92.81	12.44	93.33	12.34	0.52
06.00%2024A	10	1-Dec-24	3,040	67.04	12.47	67.44	12.37	0.40
10.25%2025A	10	15-Mar-25	3,144	88.22	12.52	88.82	12.39	0.60
09.00%2025A	12	1-May-25	3,191	81.62	12.51	82.06	12.41	0.44
11.00%2025A	10	1-Aug-25	3,283	91.94	12.52	92.49	12.41	0.55
09.00%2026A	13	1-Feb-26	3,467	80.66	12.54	81.05	12.46	0.39
05.35%2026A	15	1-Mar-26	3,495	60.29	12.61	60.67	12.51	0.38
11.00%2026A	11	1-Jun-26	3,587	90.89	12.64	91.47	12.53	0.58
11.50%2026A	10	1-Aug-26	3,648	93.41	12.68	93.93	12.58	0.52
09.00%2028B	15	1-May-28	4,287	77.68	12.70	78.29	12.58	0.61
09.00%2028A	15	1-Jul-28	4,348	77.41	12.73	78.01	12.61	0.60
11.50%2028A	13	1-Sep-28	4,410	92.35	12.75	93.06	12.63	0.71
13.00%2029A	15	1-Jan-29	4,532	101.41	12.76	102.12	12.65	0.70
13.00%2029B	15	1-May-29	4,652	101.17	12.80	101.89	12.69	0.72
11.00%2030A	15	15-May-30	5,031	88.31	12.82	89.20	12.67	0.90
08.00%2032A	20	1-Jan-32	5,627	67.95	12.81	68.32	12.74	0.37
09.00%2032A	20	1-Oct-32	5,901	74.05	12.84	74.44	12.77	0.40
09.00%2033A	20	1-Jun-33	6,144	73.58	12.87	73.98	12.80	0.40
13.25%2033A	20	1-Jul-33	6,174	102.29	12.91	102.88	12.82	0.59
09.00%2033B	20	1-Nov-33	6,297	73.02	12.94	73.70	12.81	0.68
13.25%2034A	20	1-Jan-34	6,358	101.61	13.01	102.55	12.88	0.94
11.50%2035A	20	15-Mar-35	6,796	89.53	13.00	91.03	12.77	1.50
12.00%2041A	25	1-Jan-41	8,915	92.20	13.06	93.47	12.88	1.27
09.00%2043A	30	1-Jun-43	9,796	69.61	13.12	70.06	13.03	0.45
13.50%2044A	30	1-Jan-44	10,010	102.32	13.18	103.52	13.02	1.20
13.50%2044B	30	1-Jun-44	10,162	101.90	13.24	103.01	13.09	1.11
12.50%2045A	30	1-Mar-45	10,435	94.23	13.28	96.61	12.95	2.38

External Sector

During the year up to 05 August 2016 the rupee depreciated against the US dollar (1.1 per cent). Given the cross currency exchange rate movements, the Sri Lanka rupee appreciated against the pound sterling (11.7 per cent) and depreciated against Indian rupee (0.5 per cent), Japanese yen (16.8 per cent) and euro (2.9 per cent) during this period.

Exports earnings during the first four months of 2016 contracted by 4.5 per cent, year-on-year, to US dollars 3,435 million compared to the US dollars 3,598 million largely due to a reduction in export earnings from transport equipment and petroleum products.

Expenditure on imports during the period from January to April 2016 decreased by 3.6 per cent to US dollars 6,055 million, mainly due to the declines recorded in the importation of fuel, transport equipment and rice.

The terms of trade improved by 11.8 per cent compared to the corresponding month of previous year due to deteriorating of import prices compared to export prices. The export unit value index declined by 0.5 per cent, year-on-year in April 2016. Significant decline recorded in prices of agricultural exports largely contributed to this decline. The import unit value index declined by 11.0 per cent, year-on-year, in April 2016, as a result of declines recorded in unit price indices of intermediate goods and investment goods.

India, China, UK, Germany and France were the top five sources of tourist arrivals in July 2016, accounting for 52.1 per cent of total tourist arrivals upto the month of July 2016

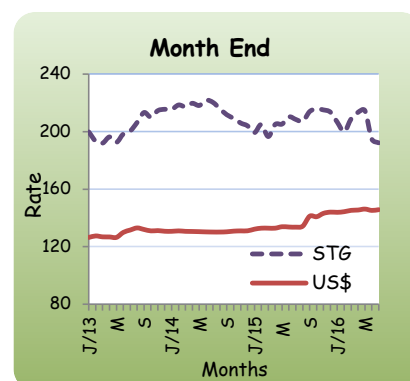
The average price of tea declined to US dollars 2.97 per kg in April 2016 from US dollars 3.08 per kg (in the Colombo auction) in April 2015.

Further, the import prices of rice and wheat prices declined in April 2016 compared to the corresponding month of 2015.

EXTERNAL SECTOR

4.1 Exchange Rates

Item (Rs Per Unit)(a)	Week Ending - 05 Aug 2016			Average Rate	
	Buying Rate	Selling Rate	Average Rate	Week Ago	Year Ago
US\$	143.64	147.42	145.53	145.86	133.52
STG	187.91	194.44	191.18	192.48	207.47
Yen	1.41	1.47	1.44	1.40	1.07
Euro	158.92	165.09	162.01	161.66	144.98
INR ⁽¹⁾			2.18	2.17	2.09
SDR (As at 04 Aug 2016)			203.72	202.64	186.24
Central Bank purchases and sales(b) (US\$ Mn.)			June 2016	Month Ago	Year Ago
Purchases			178.78	123.83	0.00
Sales			194.02	36.20	352.58



	Week Ending 05 Aug 2016	Week Ago	Year Ago
Average Daily Interbank Volume (US\$ Mn.) (spot, tom and cash transactions among commercial banks)	18.54	18.10	8.62
Forward Transactions			
Forward Rates (US\$) ⁽²⁾			
1 Month	146.72	146.79	134.17
3 Months	-	148.29	135.20
Average Daily Interbank Forward Volume (US\$ mn)	43.21	41.84	15.56
Outstanding Forward Volume (US\$ mn) (As at 04 Aug 2016)	1,454.30	1,465.14	1,248.49

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

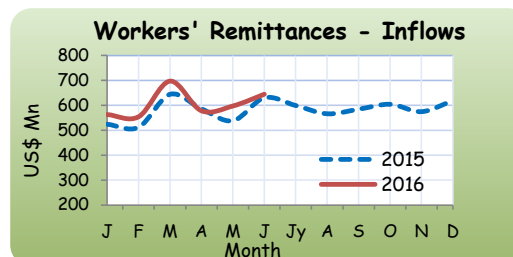
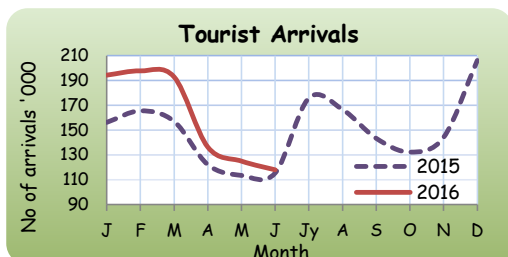
(b) Central Bank purchases and sales of foreign exchange from commercial banks at market rates total for the Month

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

4.2 Tourism & Workers' Remittances

Item		2015	2016	2015(a)	2016(b)	% Change
		July (a)(c)	July (b)(d)	Jan-Jul (c)	Jan-Jul (d)	
Tourist Arrivals	Number	175,804	209,351	1,005,855	1,173,618	16.7
Earnings from Tourism(d)	US\$ Mn.	291.4	347.0	1,667.1	1,945.2	16.7
	Rs.bn.	39.0	50.5	221.7	281.1	26.8
Workers' Remittances (Inflows)		2015	2016	2015	2016	% Change
		June (a)	June (b)	Jan-Jun(a)	Jan-Jun(b)	
	US\$ Mn.	629.6	644.5	3,432.7	3,613.1	5.3
	Rs. bn.	84.3	93.6	456.4	521.9	14.4

(a) Revised (b) Provisional (c) revised based on Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority survey results on average stay period and average spending per day estimates for 2015 (d) May be revised based on Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority survey results on average stay period and average spending per day estimates for 2016



4.3 Official Reserve Assets as at 31st July 2016^(a)

Official Reserve Assets (USD Mn)	6,485.62
(1) Foreign Currency Reserves	5,448.27
(2) Reserve position in the IMF	66.69
(3) SDRs	5.43
(4) Gold	964.26
(5) Other Reserve Assets	0.97

(a) Provisional

4.3 International Reserves & Foreign Currency Liquidity as at 30th June 2016 ^(a)

Official Reserve Assets (USD mn)	
Official Reserve Assets	5,292.27
(1) Foreign currency reserves	4,277.70
(a) Securities	1,935.47
(b) Total currency and deposits with	2,342.23
(i) other national central banks, BIS	1,018.33
(ii) banks headquartered inside the reporting country of which located abroad	1.23
(iii) banks headquartered outside the reporting country	1,322.67
(2) Reserve position in the IMF	66.94
(3) SDRs	4.11
(4) Gold	942.55
(5) Other reserve assets	0.97

Predetermined Short-Term Net Drains on Foreign Currency Assets^(b)

Item	Total	Maturity breakdown (residual maturity)		
		Up to 1 month	More than 1 and up to 3 months	More than 3 months and up to 1 year
1. Foreign currency loans, securities, and deposits				
outflows (-) Principal	-4,480.51	-250.83	-1,092.65	-3,137.02
Interest	-967.52	-172.11	-124.5	-670.91
inflows (+) Principal				
Interest				
2. 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)				
(a) Short positions (-) ^(c)	-2,989.88	-493.38	-963.07	-1,533.43
(b) Long positions (+)				
3. Other (specify)	-0.73	-0.73		
inflows related to reverse repos (+)				
other accounts payable (-)	-0.73	-0.73		

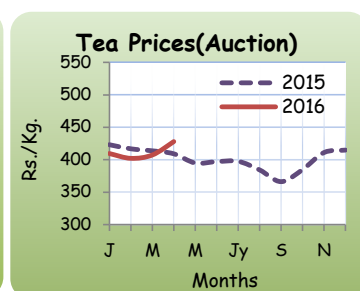
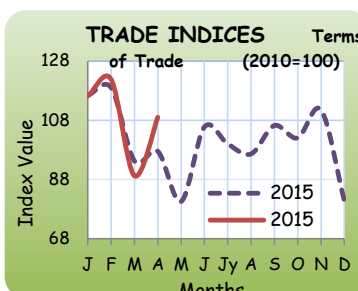
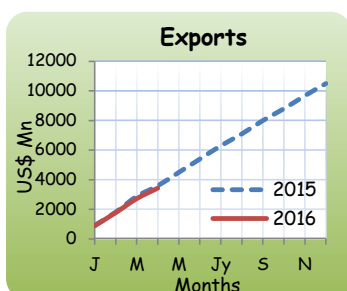
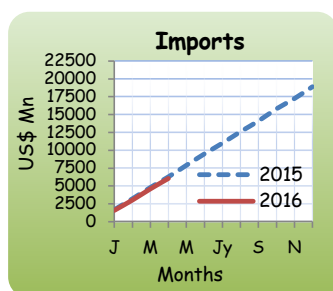
(a) Provisional

(b) This mainly includes only the predetermined outflows

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

4.4 External Trade

Item	US\$ Mn			Rs Mn		
	Jan-Apr 2016	Jan-Apr 2015	% Change	Jan-Apr 2016	Jan-Apr 2015	% Change
Exports	3,434.6	3,597.7	-4.5	494,352.7	476,747.1	3.7
Agricultural	721.8	801.0	-9.9	103,885.7	106,150.9	-2.1
Industrial	2,698.5	527.8	411.3	388,410.6	368,285.2	5.5
Food, Beverages and Tobacco	102.4	84.0	21.9	14,734.2	11,132.4	32.4
Textiles and Apparel	1,709.8	1,588.1	7.7	246,092.7	210,435.1	16.9
Petroleum Products	92.3	150.5	-38.7	13,290.3	19,915.6	-33.3
Leather, Rubber etc	301.4	305.1	-1.2	43,388.9	40,426.8	7.3
Other	492.6	651.5	-24.4	70,904.5	86,375.3	-17.9
Mineral	9.2	12.2	-24.5	1,325.5	1,616.9	-18.0
Other	5.1	5.2	-3.0	730.9	694.1	5.3
Imports	6,055.4	6,282.5	-3.6	871,563.9	832,417.5	4.7
Consumer Goods	1,425.5	1,567.3	-9.1	205,176.0	207,702.0	-1.2
Intermediate Goods	3,019.2	3,153.0	-4.2	434,562.0	417,760.5	4.0
Investment Goods	1,607.8	1,554.9	3.4	231,420.5	205,983.1	12.3
Other	2.8	7.3	-61.5	405.5	971.9	-58.3
Trade Balance	-2,620.8	-2,684.8	2.4	-377,211.2	-355,670.3	-6.1

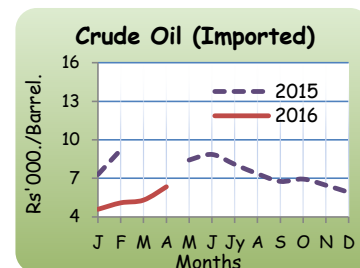
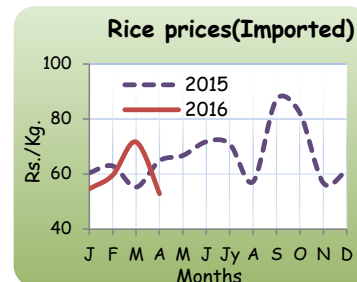


4.5 Trade Indices (2010= 100) (a)

Item	2016 Apr (b)	Month Ago	Year Ago
Total Exports			
Value	98.3	131.6	99.3
Quantity	99.5	159.4	100.0
Unit Value	98.8	82.5	99.3
Total Imports			
Value	130.7	140.2	133.4
Quantity	144.2	151.5	131.0
Unit Value	90.7	92.5	101.9
Terms of Trade	109.0	89.2	97.5

(a) In US\$ Terms

(b) Provisional



4.6 International Commodity Prices

Item	April 2016	April 2015	% Change	April 2016	April 2015	% Change
Colombo Auction Price	US\$ / Kg			Rs / Kg		
Tea Prices	2.97	3.08	-3.4	428.04	409.22	4.6
Imports (C I F)	US\$ / MT			Rs / MT		
Rice	367.19	487.61	-24.7	52,838.83	64,803.51	-18.5
White Sugar	448.08	409.60	9.4	64,479.00	54,436.20	18.4
Wheat	231.81	291.07	-20.4	33,357.78	38,683.13	-13.8
	US\$ / Barrel			Rs / Barrel		
Crude Oil	44.05	-	-	6,338.30	-	-