WEEKLY ECONOMIC REPORT

January 20, 2017

Department of Fiscal Policy

- CCPI increased to 4.1% in December
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 Trade deficit remained almost unchanged during Jan-September 2016
 GDP grew by 4.0 % in the first Nine Months of 2016
 Exchange rate depreciated to US\$1=Rs. 150.16
 Credit to private sector increased by 22.0% October 2016
 Brent crude oil decreased to: US\$ 55.75 per bbl
 Government revenue enhanced by 22.9 % in Jan-Sep 2016
 Tourist arrivals up by 14.0% during Jan-Dec 2016
 Unemployment rate was 4.5% in the 3rd Quarter 2016
- Workers Remittance grew by 3.1% during Jan- Nov 2016







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INFLATION, INTEREST RATES & EXCHANGE RATES

Trends in Inflation

	CCP	I (%)	Core Inflation (%)		NCP	[(%)
Month	(2006/20	(2006/2007=100)		(2006/2007=100)		=100)
	Point to Point	Annual Average	Point to Point	Annual Average	Monthly Change	Point to Point
Feb-15	0.6	2.9	0.8	3.2	-3.5	5.7
Mar	0.1	2.5	1.4	3.0	-1.2	4.3
Apr	0.1	2.1	2.4	2.9	-0.6	2.8
May	0.2	1.9	2.6	2.9	0.9	3.0
Jun	0.1	1.7	2.8	2.8	1.0	2.7
Jul	-0.2	1.3	3.5	2.8	-0.2	1.8
Aug	-0.2	1.0	3.9	2.8	-0.5	1.9
Sep	-0.3	0.7	4.2	2.8	0.0	1.9
Oct	1.7	0.7	4.4	2.9	0.7	3.0
Nov	3.1	0.9	4.3	3.0	2.6	4.8
Dec	2.8	0.9	4.5	3.1	1.1	4.2
Jan-16	0.9	0.7	4.6	3.3	-1.1	-0.7
Feb	2.7	0.9	5.7	3.7	-1.1	1.7
Mar	2.0	1.1	4.5	3.9	-0.7	2.2
Apr	3.1	1.3	4.5	4.1	1.5	4.3
May	4.8	1.7	6.6	4.5	1.9	5.3
Jun	6.0	2.2	6.4	4.8	2.1	6.4
Jul	5.5	2.7	5.8	4.9	-0.8	5.8
Aug	4.0	3.0	4.1	5.0	-1.6	4.5
Sep	3.9	3.4	4.2	5.0	0.2	4.7
Oct	4.2	3.6	4.2	4.9	4.0	5.0
Nov	3.4	3.6	5.1	5.0	4.0	4.1
Dec	4.1	3.7	6.3	5.1	4.0	4.2





Source: Department of Census and Statistics

The point to point inflation decreased to 4.1 per cent in December 2016. The annual average 3.7 per cent in December 2016. Core inflation that measures the price movements of the items in the CCPI basket excluding fresh food, energy, transport, rice and coconut, increased to 6.3 per cent, on point to point basis, while annual average core inflation increased to 5.1 per cent, in December 2016. The National Consumer Price Index (NCPI) covering price movements in all provinces of the country decreased to 4.2 percent in December 2016, on year on year basis.

Contribution of Food Items to CCPI from November 2016 to December 2016

Movements of the CCPI in Food Items

Commodity	Value Change Rs.	Change %
Food	419.06	0.78
Rice	136.10	0.25
Chicken	-36.06	-0.07
Fresh Fish	8.45	0.02
Dried Fish	4.11	0.01
Coconut	44.48	0.08
Coconut Oil	19.03	0.04
Vegetables	17.93	0.03
Big Onion	25.27	0.05
Eggs	40.52	0.08
Garlic	15.62	0.03
Mangoes	-17.57	-0.03
Banana	-12.68	-0.02
Limes	-76.37	-0.14

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

	% Change	Inflatio	n
Month	Month to Month	Point to Point	Annual Average
Jun-15	1.8	4.0	6.0
Jul	0.7	2.5	5.7
Aug	-1.5	2.2	5.5
Sep	-0.6	2.0	5.3
Oct	0.8	2.7	5.1
Nov	3.0	5.2	5.1
Dec	0.8	4.2	4.9
Jan-16	-0.5	-0.2	3.9
Feb	-1.1	0.8	3.2
Mar	-2.3	1.4	2.8
Apr	2.2	4.9	2.8
May	2.2	5.6	2.9
Jun	4.3	8.2	3.3
Jul	0.6	8.1	3.8
Aug	-3.7	5.6	4.0
Sep	-0.7	5.5	4.3
Oct	1.3	6.0	4.6
Nov	0.0	2.9	4.4
Dec	1.7	3.8	4.4

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

Real Interest Rates

Month	CCPI (2006/07 =100)	CCPI Point to Point Change	CCPI Annual Average Change	91 Days T Bill Rate	Real Interest Rate (Y on Y)	Rea Interes Rate (Annua Avg
Jun-15	181.6	0.1	1.7	6.08	5.98	4.38
Jul	182.8	-0.2	1.3	6.28	6.48	4.98
Aug	181.9	-0.2	1.0	6.53	6.73	5.53
Sep	181.4	-0.3	0.7	6.78	7.08	6.08
Oct	182.1	1.7	0.7	6.61	4.91	5.91
Nov	184.7	3.1	0.9	6.06	2.96	5.16
Dec	185.2	2.8	0.9	6.45	3.65	5.55
Jan-16	184.9	0.9	0.7	7.01	6.11	6.31
Feb	183.8	2.7	0.9	7.14	4.44	6.24
Mar	181.7	2.0	1.1	8.30	6.30	7.20
Apr	184.1	3.1	1.3	8.45	5.35	7.15
May	188.5	4.8	1.7	8.80	4.00	7.10
Jun	192.5	6.0	2.2	8.86	2.86	6.66
Jul	192.9	5.5	2.7	8.80	3.30	6.10
Aug	189.1	4.0	3.0	9.04	5.04	6.04
Sep	188.5	3.9	3.4	8.55	4.65	5.15
Oct	189.7	4.2	3.6	8.60	4.40	5.00
Nov	190.9	3.4	3.6	8.60	5.20	5.00
Dec	192.8	4.1	3.7	8.72	4.62	5.02



Sources : Central Bank of Sri Lanka and Department of Census and Statistics

Category	Week Ending 20 th Jan 2017	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Standing Deposit Facility	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.00
Standing Lending Facility	8.50	8.50	8.50	7.50
Call Money Weekly Average	8.38	8.29	8.40	6.79
Treasury Bill (Yield rate)				
91 Days	8.98	8.97	8.55	6.38
182 Days	10.05	9.89	9.39	7.19
364 Days	10.37	10.31	10.11	7.80
Prime Lending Rate	11.38	11.47	11.98	7.76
	Dec-1	6	Month	Year
			Ago	Ago
Commercial Bank Average Weighted Deposit Rate (AWDR)	8.17		8.00	6.20

Interest Rate Movements

Central Bank Standing Deposit Facility rate (SDF) and Standing Lending Facility rate (SLF) remained at 7.00 percent and 8.50 percent, respectively during this week. The Prime Lending rate decreased to11.38 per cent by week ending 20th January 2017 and Commercial Bank Average Weighted Deposit Rate (AWDR) for the month of December 2016 was 8.17 percent.

Source : Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Currency	Week Ending 20 th Jan 2017	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	% Change 2015/16
US Dollar	150.16	149.89	146.62	143.96	4.3
Sterling Pound	185.67	182.39	188.55	203.72	-8.9
Euro	160.37	159.08	163.20	157.19	2.0
Japanese Yen	1.31	1.31	1.42	1.23	6.5
Indian Rupee	2.21	2.20	2.20	2.12	4.2



Source : Central Bank of Sri Lanka

The rupee depreciated against US Dollar, Japanese Yen, Euro and Indian Rupee. While the rupee appreciated against sterling pound.

Exchange Rates

MONEY SUPPLY & CAPITAL MARKET

	Oct	Sep	Aug	Oct	Sep	Aug	Growth
Item	2016	2016	2016	2015	2015	2015	2015 Oct/
							2016
							Oct (%)
M_1	727.6	729.3	714.2	665.1	660.4	660.4	21.7
(Rs Bn)							
M_2	4,616.8	4,551.9	4434.8	3,877.7	3,821.8	3,821.8	15.7
(Rs Bn)							
M _{2b}	5,165.7	5,096.2	4988.6	4,384.8	4,305.0	4,305.0	17.0
(Rs Bn)							

Money Supply and Credit Growth						
Item	Oct 2016	Month Ago	Year Ago	Growth 2015Oct /2016 Oct (%)		
Credit to Private Sector (Rs.bn)	4,044.5	3,965.4	3,314.6	22.0		
DBUs	3,752.1	3,678.3	3,056.7	22.8		
OBUs	292.4	287.1	258.0	13.3		

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Indicator	Week ending 20 th Jan-17	Week Ago	Year Ago
All Share Price Index (1985 = 100) (ASPI)	6,165	6,218	6,261
S & P Sri Lanka 20 Index (S & P SL20)	3,493	3,524	3,241
Average Daily Turnover (Rs.Mn)	786	706	791
Market Capitalization (Rs.Bn.)	2,717	2,741	2,673

Share Market



Source: Colombo Stock Exchange

All Share Price Index (ASPI) decreased by 53 index points and closed at 6,165 points compared to the second week of January 2017. The S & P Sri Lanka 20 Index (S & P SL20) decreased by 31 to 3,493 index points. The Average Daily Turnover increased by Rs. 80 million and stationed at Rs.786 million. Market capitalization reached Rs. 2,717 billion in the third week of January 2017.

Equity Trading Statistics

Indicator	Dec 2016	Dec 2015	Jan -Dec 2016	Jan -Dec 2015
Turnover -Equity (Rs. Mn.)	23,429.8	20,491.3	176,935.4	253,251.0
Domestic (Rs. Mn.)	7,025.8	5,912.9	102,544.2	166,151.5
Foreign (Rs. Mn.)	16,403.9	14,578.3	74,391.3	87,099.5
Market Days	19	21	240	239
Daily Turnover Avg. Equity (Rs. Mn.)	1,233.1	975.8	7372	1,059.6
Trade Equity	43,708	61,973	1,056,849	1,506,790
Domestic	40,544	57,277	1,002,476	1,431,750
Foreign	3,164	4,696	54,373	75,040
Shares Traded _Equity	399.9	882.7	7,195.8	9,414.6
Domestic (Rs. Mn.)	188.2	465.1	5,776.2	7,693.2
Foreign (Rs. Mn.)	211.8	417.7	1,419.6	1,721.5
Companies Traded	271	272	278	278
Companies Listed	295	294	295	294

Market Indicators

Price Indices	Nov 2016	Dec 2016
ASPI	6,241.10	6,228.26
S&P SL 20	3,467.10	3,496.44
Total Return Indicators		
ASTRI	8,247.70	8,232.66
S&P SL20 (TRI)	4,790.17	4,843.17
Market PER	12.95	12.37
Dividend Yield	3.12	2.75
Market Capitalization (Rs.Bn.)	2,659.52	2,745.41

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange

Stock Market - Foreign Purchases and Foreign Sales

7,539.1	74,583.0
5,268.9	74,199.5
270.2	338.1
5	,268.9

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange



COMMODITY PRICES

International Commodity Prices

Month	Milk Powder Average Price US\$/MT	Rice Thai,100% US\$/MT	Wheat (HRW) US\$/MT
Apr	2,780	410	239
May	2,637	394	231
Jun	2,455	385	242
Jul	2,164	401	238
Aug	1,912	382	216
Sep	2,148	367	218
Oct	2,597	376	221
Nov	2,420	380	211
Dec	2,279	375	212
Jan-2016	2,134	389	213
Feb	2,094	389	205
Mar	2,058	392	207
Apr	2,046	401	201
May	2,064	448	193
Jun	2,192	456	198
Jul	2,284	457	188
Aug	2,506	435	188
Sep	2,831	399	188
Oct	2,874	375	193



		A	nnual Average	s	Mon	thly Average	s
Commodity	Unit	Jan-Dec	Jan-Dec	Jan-Dec	Aug	Sep	Oct
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2016	2016
Non Energy, Agriculture, Beverages							
Сосоа	\$/kg	2.44	3.06	3.14	3.03	2.88	2.71
Coffee, Arabica	\$/kg	3.08	4.42	3.53	3.69	3.89	3.94
Tea, auctions (3) average	\$/kg	2.86	2.72	2.71	2.69	2.74	2.81
Tea, Colombo auctions	\$/kg	3.45	3.54	2.96	3.27	3.52	3.76
Food, Fats & Oils							
Coconut Oil	\$/mt	941	1,280	1,110	1,529	1,547	1,446
Copra	\$/mt	627	854	736	1,018	1,025	964
Palm Oil	\$/mt	857	821	622	736	756	712
Grains							
Barley	\$/mt	202.2	137.6	194.3	138.0	135.5	132.5
Maize	\$/mt	259.4	192.9	169.8	150.2	148.4	152.3
Wheat, US HRW	\$/mt	312.2	284.9	203.2	149.2	150.8	151.8
Other Food							
Meat, Beef	\$/kg	4.07	4.95	4.42	4.09	4.02	3.94
Meat, Chicken	\$/kg	2.29	2.43	2.53	2.45	2.43	2.43
Sugar, World	\$/kg	0.57	0.37	0.30	0.44	0.47	0.49
Raw Materials, Timber							
Plywood	¢/sheets	560.2	517.3	451.2	539.3	535.9	526.2
Wood pulp	\$/mt	823.1	876.9	875.0	875.0	875.0	875.0
Other Raw Materials							
Rubber RSS3, US	\$/kg	2.79	1.96	1.56	1.55	1.57	1.66
Fertilizers							
Phosphate Rock	\$/mt	148.1	110.2	117.5	111.0	110.0	110.0
TSP	\$/mt	382.1	388.3	385.0	283.0	277.0	273.0
Urea	\$/mt	340.1	316.2	272.9	182.0	191.0	193.0
Metals and Minerals							
Aluminum	\$/mt	1,847	1,867	1.665	1,639	1,592	1,663
Gold	\$/toz	1,412	1,266	1,160	1,340	1,327	1,266
Iron ore	\$/dmt	135.0	97.0	56.0	61.0	58.0	59.0

 $Source: \ The \ World \ Bank, \ Available \ at \ world \ bank. org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/EXTDEC/EXTDECPROPECTS$

¢= US cent \$= US dollar

Crude Oil Prices - Singapore Plattes Prices (US\$/bbl)

Item	Jan 16	Jan 17	Jan 18	Jan 19	Jan 20	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Brent (New York Closing Prices) (US \$/bbl.)	55.57	55.75	55.63	54.40	54.31	56.09	54.92	28.76
WTI (US\$/bbl.)	52.48	52.51	52.60	51.48	51.55	53.08	52.00	28.15
Petrol	66.80	67.45	67.85	66.20	66.10	67.80	63.80	43.75
Diesel	64.89	64.97	65.46	63.67	63.47	65.25	63.70	30.81
Kerosene	65.57	65.68	65.03	64.32	64.08	65.97	64.43	33.18

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Crude Oil Prices (Monthly Average)



Month	WTI European Market (US\$/bbl)	Brent (US\$/bbl)
May-15	63.65	65.24
Jun	63.85	60.16
Jul	51.52	57.11
Aug	42.64	7.92
Sep	45.60	48.87
Oct	46.35	49.34
Nov	43.56	46.79
Dec	37.55	39.36
Jan-16	32.09	32.23
Feb	31.13	33.63
Mar	37.64	39.66
Apr	40.80	42.86
May	47.58	46.84
Jun	48.83	49.82
Jul	45.32	46.88
Aug	44.61	46.82
Sep	44.26	46.52
Oct	49.91	51.38
Nov	45.85	45.96
Dec	54.74	52.04
Jan-17*	52.71	55.75

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka *upto 20th Jan 2017

Monthly Average	Refined Product Prices - Singapore Plattes Price	s (US\$/bbl)
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Month	Petrol	Diesel	Kerosene
May-15	81.07	77.27	77.68
Jun	80.99	74.32 71.3	
Jul	72.52	64.50 65.9	
Aug	61.90	56.30	57.25
Sep	61.59	58.72	58.61
Oct	60.75	58.34	59.32
Nov	56.66	57.19	58.10
Dec	54.36	48.30	47.38
Jan-16	47.08	35.76	38.07
Feb	41.29	38.11	41.00
Mar	49.20	45.23	47.13
Apr	51.26	47.94	49.52
May	55.98	54.28	55.19
Jun	56.48	57.97	58.14
Jul	49.24	54.12	54.49
Aug	51.60	53.09	53.53
Sep	52.81	54.25	55.18
Oct	60.15	60.63	60.98
Nov	56.63	56.03 56.6	
Dec	67.80	66.34	64.87
Jan-17*	66.70	64.71	65.28



Local Market Prices of Petroleum Products

Item	Unit	End 2013	End 2014	End 2015	Current Price 2016
Auto Diesel	1 liter	121.00	111.00	95.00	95.00
Petrol (Octane 92)	1 liter	162.00	150.00	117.00	117.00
Kerosene oil	1 liter	106.00	81.00	49.00	44.00
L P Gas	12.5 kg	2,396.00	1,896.00	1,346.00	1,321.00

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka *upto 20th Jan 2017

Wholesale Prices Week Ending –20th January 2017(Rs/Kg)

Pettah Market

Average Wholesale Prices	Week Ending 20/01/2017	Week Ago	% Change	Year Ago Annual Avg.
Rice (Rs/Kg)				
Samba	90.00	85.00	5.8	80.97
Kekulu (Red)	83.00	80.00	3.7	60.29
Vegetable				
Beans	45.00	70.00	-35.7	147.16
Cabbage	25.00	25.00	0.0	76.62
Carrots	55.00	55.00	0.0	121.42
Tomatoes	65.00	115.00	-43.5	75.00
Pumpkins	50.00	60.00	-16.7	60.29
Snake Gourd	50.00	55.00	-9.1	76.18
Brinjals	45.00	35.00	28.6	66.57
Ash Plantains	70.00	80.00	12.5	67.65
Other Foods				
Red-Onions (Local)	115.00	n.a	-	92.66
Big Onions (Local)	n.a	n.a	-	74.50
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	135.00	152.50	-11.5	122.58
Dried Chilies (Imported)	220.00	210.00	4.8	293.68
Dhal (Indian)	145.00	150.00	-3.3	160.16
Eggs (Red) (Each)	13.00	12.00	8.3	14.30
Coconut (Each)	52.50	44.00	19.3	34.69
Fish (Rs/Kg)				
Kelawalla	500.00	500.00	0.0	508.20
Balaya	300.00	300.00	0.0	327.29
Salaya	110.00	130.00	-15.4	141.43
Paraw (Small)	500.00	520.00	3.8	540.36

	Dambulla Mark
Food Item	Wholesale (Average)
Rice (Rs/Kg)	
Samba	87.70
Kekulu (Red)	85.90
Vegetables	
Pumpkins	38.00
Snake Gourd	36.00
Ash Plantains	51.50
Beans	54.50
Carrots	70.50
Tomatoes	60.00
Other Foods	
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	133.50
Dried Chilies (Imported)	224.50
Big-Onions (Local)	70.88
Red-Onions (Local)	69.17
Coconut (Each)	47.30

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Marandagahamula Average Price of Rice (Rs/Kg)

Item	Week Ending 20/01/2017	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Samba	87.20	87.25	84.72	77.58
Sudu Kekulu	87.50	86.50	81.58	62.91
Raw Red	80.40	78.25	71.94	59.59
Nadu	90.50	88.50	83.64	66.62

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

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Wholesale prices of some of the rice varieties increased and some of vegetable varieties and other foods such as potatoes and dhal (Indian) decreased during the week.

Weekly Retail Commodity Prices – 2nd Week of January 2017

		This	Week	0/0	Rs Year
Item	Unit	Week			
Rice		VVEEK	Ago	Change	Ago
	11	98.94	96.94	2.1	06.07
Samba(Avg.) No. 1	1 kg			2.1	96.97
No. 1 No. 2	1 kg	102.09 95.79	99.48 94.41	<u> </u>	99.59 94.35
Nadu Red	1kg	95.54	94.41	0.7	<u>94.33</u> 85.70
Raw Red (Avg)	1kg	90.40	88.54	2.1	71.75
No. 1	1kg 1kg	90.40	91.74	2.5	74.49
No. 2	1kg	86.72	85.35	1.6	69.01
Wheat Flour	1 kg	89.78	88.93	1.0	87.16
Bread	450g	58.13	58.13	0.0	52.47
	V	103.00	98.89	4.2	97.05
Sugar	1 kg	325.00	325.00	4.2	325.00
Lakspray	400g	119.20	119.31	-0.1	<u> </u>
Potatoes (Import)	1 kg	119.20	119.31		128.66
Potatoes (Local) Red Dhal(Avg)	1kg	173.70	167.05	4.0	128.66
· · · ·	1kg			0.4	
Cowpea (Avg)	1kg	261.29	260.28	0.4	267.15
Green Gram(Avg)	1kg	232.64	230.18	1.1	256.05
Kadalai (Avg)	1kg	308.54	300.09	2.8	176.55
Meat	41	050 54	047 (0	0.4	F 00.00
Beef	1kg	850.71	847.69	0.4	729.22
Chicken	- 1	101.05	100.00		
Fresh	1kg	481.25	489.23	-1.6	486.37
Broiler	1kg	410.00	410.00	0.0	380.00
Fresh Fish	. 1		0.05 (0	- -	004.44
Paraw	<u>1 kg</u>	930.59	925.63	0.5	904.44
Balaya	1 kg	575.00	594.29	-3.2	519.47
Kelawalla	1 kg	874.17	872.59	0.2	819.34
Salaya	1 kg	144.58	143.91	0.5	161.73
Dried Fish					
Sprats	<u>1 kg</u>	658.52	666.09	-1.1	609.91
Eggs	Each	14.22	14.42	-1.4	16.90
Coconut	Each	54.22	53.30	1.7	47.76
Coconut Oil	750ml	249.71	248.89	0.3	206.27
Red Onions	1 kg	137.68	137.30	0.3	170.18
B- Onions (Import)	1 kg	96.90	96.98	-0.1	77.13
Brinjal	1kg	98.86	99.39	-0.5	172.20
Beans Green	1 kg	132.22	136.13	-2.9	270.60
Cabbage	1 kg	92.94	94.38	-1.5	219.84
Leeks	1 kg	125.65	129.14	-2.7	186.80
Beet Root	1kg	128.00	129.70	-1.3	274.50
Carrot	1kg	132.41	139.71	-5.2	298.65
Tomatoes	1kg	140.54	124.52	12.9	106.85
Radish	1kg	103.53	100.0	3.5	140.15
Vetakolu	1kg	179.09	170.67	4.9	172.81
Snake Gourd	1kg	124.12	128.33	-3.3	155.77
Bandakka	1kg	121.08	112.86	7.3	187.88
Kolikuttu	1kg	242.40	244.07	-0.7	196.38
Papaw	1kg	106.46	107.33	-0.8	92.11
Pineapple	1kg	172.81	173.67	-0.5	121.36

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

The average retail prices of some rice varieties and some of fish varieties are increased and some of vegetable varieties showed a mixed performance during this week.

FISCAL SECTOR AND GOVERNMENT DEBT

Item	2015	2016 Jan-Sep (a)
Tax Revenue	1,355,779	1,067,317
Income Tax	262,583	196,034
VAT	219,700	194,777
Excise Duty	497,623	336,433
Nation Building Tax	45,004	39,445
PAL	58,644	63,622
Customs Duty	132,189	114,668
SCL	52,276	43,390
Cess	46,289	44,183
License Fee and Other	41,471	34,765
Non Tax Revenue	99,099	112,021
Total Revenue	1,454,878	1,179,338



Source: Department of Fiscal Policy

(a) provisional

Note: Not to be quoted

Government Debt

Government Debt (Rs.bn)	End Dec 2015	End Sep 2016 (a)
Total Domestic Debt	4,959.2	5,332.3
Total Foreign Debt	3,544.0	4,069.7
Total Government Debt	8,503.2	9,401.9

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka (a) provisional

			Key Fi
Indicator	Unit	2015	Jan-Sep 2016
	Rs Mn	829,502	505,971
Budget Deficit	% of GDP	7.4	-
	Rs Mn	1,454,878	1,179,338
Total Revenue	% of GDP	13.0	-
	Rs Mn	1,355,779	1,067,317
Tax Revenue	% of GDP	12.1	-
N	Rs Mn	99,099	112,021
Non Tax Revenue	% of GDP	0.9	-
	Rs Mn	1,701,657	1,308,347
Recurrent Expenditure	% of GDP	15.2	
	Rs Mn	602,768	390,769
Public Investment	% of GDP	5.4	-
	Rs Mn	8,503,227	9,062,212
Government Debt	% of GDP	76.0	-

Compiled by Department of Fiscal Policy

EXTERNAL SECTOR

Category	Sep 2015 (US\$ Mn)	Sep 2016 (US\$ Mn)	Growth Rate (%)	Jan-Sep 2015 (US\$ Mn)	Jan-Sep 2016 (US\$ Mn)	Growth Rate (%)
Exports	849.6	897.9	5.7	8,005.0	7,763.1	-3.0
Agricultural	205.6	224.0	8.9	1,873.5	1,744.6	-6.9
Tea	106.3	114.9	8.0	1,007.5	949.9	-5.7
Other	99.3	109.1	9.9	866.0	794.7	-8.2
Industrial	636.4	669.9	5.3	6,091.4	5,984.6	-1.8
Rubber Products	58.6	67.5	15.3	583.5	575.9	-1.3
Textiles and Garments	411.2	382.2	-7.1	3,629.9	3,715.8	2.4
Food, Beverage and Tobacco	21.2	30.7	45.0	195.5	230.2	17.8
Other	145.4	189.5	30.3	1,682.5	1,462.7	-13.1
Mineral	1.7	3.1	79.9	24.1	22.7	-5.6
Unclassified	5.9	1.0	-83.0	16.1	11.2	-30.0
Imports	1,582.7	1,542.9	-2.5	14,186.7	13,945.7	-1.7
Consumer Goods	392.4	374.8	-4.5	3,534.8	3,199.7	-9.5
Food and Beverages	115.5	144.8	25.5	1,239.8	1,183.9	-4.5
Other Consumer Goods	276.9	230.0	-16.9	2,295.0	2,015.8	-12.2
Intermediate Goods	829.0	775.6	-6.4	7,271.6	7,084.6	-2.6
Petroleum	226.4	176.3	-22.1	2,061.0	1,677.1	-18.6
Textiles & Textile Articles	168.2	221.5	31.7	1,715.6	1,986.2	15.8
Other Intermediate Goods	434.4	377.8	-13.0	3,495.0	3,421.3	-2.1
Investment Goods	359.6	392.1	9.0	3,367.0	3,651.6	8.5
Machinery and Equipment	166.8	194.7	16.7	1,649.7	2,010.1	21.8
Transport Equipment	73.0	85.7	17.4	749.4	500.0	-33.3
Building Material	119.5	111.3	-6.9	964.6	1,137.0	17.9
Other Investment Goods	0.3	0.4	12.9	3.4	4.5	34.3
Unclassified	1.7	0.3	-79.8	13.3	9.8	-26.3
Trade Balance	-733.1	-645.0	12.0	-6,181.7	-6,182.6	0.0

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka



- Export earnings during January to September 2016 declined by 3.0 percent, compared to the respective period of 2015. The earnings for the month of September increased by 5.7 percent on year on year basis, reflecting the positive contribution from agricultural, industrial and mineral exports.
- On a cumulative basis, expenditure on imports decreased by 1.7 percent for the period during January to September 2016. Expenditure on imports for the month of September 2016 recorded 2.5 percent decreased over the corresponding month of 2015 despite the in imports of consumer and intermediate goods.
- Trade deficit was US\$ 6,182.6 Mn during January to September 2016 remained almost unchanged in comparison to the same period of 2015.

Tourist Arrivals

		Arriv	vals		Ea	rnings US	\$ Mn	
Month	2014	2015	2016	% change 2015/16	2014	2015	2016	% change 2015/16
Jan	146,575	156,246	194,280	24.3	233.3	248.7	309.3	24.3
Feb	141,878	165,541	197,697	19.4	225.9	274.4	327.7	19.4
Mar	133,048	157,051	192,841	22.8	192.2	260.3	319.6	22.8
Apr	112,631	122,217	136,367	11.6	179.3	202.6	226.0	11.6
May	90,046	113,529	125,044	10.1	143.3	188.2	207.2	10.1
Jun	103,175	115,467	118,038	2.2	164.2	191.4	195.6	2.2
July	133,971	175,804	209,351	19.1	213.3	291.4	347.0	19.1
Aug	140,319	166,610	186,288	11.8	223.4	276.1	308.8	11.8
Sep	105,535	143.374	148,499	3.6	168.0	237.6	246.1	3.6
Oct	121,576	132,280	150,419	13.7	193.5	219.2	249.3	13.7
Nov	119,727	144,147	167,217	16.0	190.6	238.9	277.1	16.0
Dec	178,672	206,114	224,791	9.1	284.4	341.6	372.6	9.1
Total	1,527,153	1,798,380	2,050,832*	14.0	2,431.0	2,980.7	3,399.1*	14.0



Source: Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority *Jan-Dec

Tourism

Earnings from tourism increased to US \$ 3,399.1 Mn. during January to December 2016 with an increase of 14.0 per cent over the same period of 2015.

The number of tourist arrivals increased to 2,050,832 during January to December 2016 with a 14.0 per cent increase compared to same period of 2015.

									External Assets
External Assets (US\$ Mn)	Sep 2016	Aug 2016	July 2016	Sep 2015	Aug 2015	July 2015	Growth 2015Sep /2016 Sep (%)	Bn. 8	
Total Reserves	9,074.1	9,240.9	8,850.3	8,438.9	8,190.0	8,431.4	7.5	[\$ SN 2	
Gross Official Reserves	6,455.7	6,598.9	6,489.2	6,783.7	6,457.7	6,808.5	-4.8	C	20157 F My My My My N N N N N N N N N N N N N N

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Official reserves

The gross official reserves and total reserves were US\$ 6.4 Bn and US\$ 9.1 Bn, respectively by end September 2016. Total foreign reserves were sufficient to 5.8 months of imports and the gross official reserves were equivalent to 4.1 months of imports. Workers' remittances increased by 3.1 per cent in dollar terms to US \$ 6,556.9 Mn. in January to November 2016.

			Private Remitta
Category	2015 Jan -Nov	2016 Jan -Nov(a)	% Change
Inflows US\$ Mn	6,361.8	6,556.9	3.1
Rs. Bn	860.2	952.6	10.7

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka (a) Provisional

PRODUCTION

	1 st Q	$2^{nd} Q$	$3^{rd} Q$	4 th Q	Annual
2012	8.0	6.4	5.2	6.8	9.1
Agriculture	13.3	0.6	0.6	2.6	4.0
Industry	21.0	10.6	-2.6	8.5	9.0
Service	14.6	11.1	10.7	8.8	11.2
2013	3.6	5.9	4.0	0.5	3.4
Agriculture	2.2	3.9	4.5	2.5	3.2
Industry	6.7	6.0	2.8	0.6	4.1
Service	2.9	7.7	5.5	-0.8	3.8
2014	1.3	2.2	5.0	10.3	4.9
Agriculture	7.3	4.1	3.2	5.0	4.9
Industry	-1.5	-2.8	7.8	11.7	3.5
Service	1.9	4.0	3.0	11.7	5.2
2015	4.4	6.7	4.8	2.5	4.8
Agriculture	5.9	10.4	7.3	-0.5	5.5
Industry	1.4	3.9	4.9	1.9	3.0
Service	5.4	6.9	6.5	2.7	5.3
2016	5.5	2.6	4.1		
Agriculture	1.9	-5.6	-1.9		
Industry	8.3	2.2	6.8		
Service	4.9	4.9	4.7		

Source: Department of Census & Statistic

Note : Growth rate of value added terms based on year 2010



OUARTERLY GDP GROWTH (%)

GDP grew by 4.0%

The Sri Lankan economy grew by 4.0% in the first nine months of 2016 compared to the 5.7% growth recorded in the same period of 2015. The Industry sector mainly supported to this growth with 5.7% contribution while the Service sector contributed to GDP by 4.8% and Agriculture sector negatively contributed to GDP by 2.5%.

2012

2013

2014

Labour Force Statistics



Source: Department of Census & Statistics

(a) Data cover the entire island

* Provisional

Employment

Labour Force

By Gender

Female

By Age Group

Male

20-29 20-24

25-29

Participation Rate Unemployment Rate

Paddy Production

2015

Catagory		2015	2016			
Category	2014/2015 2015 Maha Yala Total		Total	2015/2016 Maha	2016 Yala	Total
Production						
Mn.Mt	2.88	1.94	4.82	2.90	1.55	4.45
Bushels Mn.	138	93	231	139	71	210
Net Extent Harvested						
Hectares ('000)	659	429	1,088	667	391	1,058
Acres ('000)	1,629	1,060	2,689	1,649	-	
Average Yield kg per ha	4,364	4,527	4,429	4,349	-	

Source: Department of Census & Statistics

The paddy production in 2016 Yala season decreased by 17.8 percent to around 1.6 million mt. compared to the 1.9 million mt recorded in 2015.

Tea, Rubber & Coconut Production

Category	2015 Jan-Nov	2016 Jan - Nov	% Change
Production			
Tea (Mn. Kg)	303.3	262.5	-13.4
Rubber (Mn. Kg)	82.1	74.0	-9.9
Coconut (Mn. Nuts)	2,799.1	2,888.5	3.2
Exports (US\$ Mn)	2015 Jan -Sep	2016 Jan -Sep	
Tea	1,007.5	949.9	-5.7
Rubber	20.0	23.1	15.5
Coconut	272.6	275.5	1.1
Colombo Auction Prices	2015 Sep	2016 Sep	
Tea (Rs./ Kg)	366.3	511.7	39.7
Rubber (Rs./ Kg)	238.8	225.2	-5.7
Coconut (Rs/nut)	33.1	26.9	-18.8

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka and Forbes & Walkers Commodity Brokers Pvt Ltd

Factory Industrial Production Index (2010=100)

Item	2015 Oct	2016 Oct (b)	Growth %
Manufacture of Food Products	117.9	106.6	-9.6
Manufacture of Beverages	130.9	93.4	-28.6
Manufacture of Tobacco Products	93.4	90.9	-2.7
Manufacture of Textiles	157.5	140.8	-10.6
Manufacture of Wearing Apparel	175.5	170.3	-3.0
Manufacture of Leather and Related Products	99.0	138.0	39.4
Manufacture of Wood products ,except Furniture	119.7	129.8	8.4
Manufacture of Paper and Paper Products	124.4	124.4	0.0
Printing and Reproduction of Recorded Media	110.6	110.6	0.0
Manufacture of Coke and Refined Petroleum Products	102.0	87.4	-14.3
Manufacture of Chemicals and Chemical Products	94.8	99.7	5.2
Manufacture of Pharmaceuticals, Medicinal Chemicals	127.3	137.1	7.7
Manufacture of Rubber and Plastic Products	131.3	147.2	12.2
Manufacture of Other Non Metallic Mineral Products	131.4	150.4	14.5
Manufacture of Basic Metals	138.8	150.1	8.1
Manufacture of Fabricated Metal Products	100.9	83.8	-16.9
Manufacture of Electrical Equipment	140.6	135.2	-3.9
Factory Industry Production Index	131.2	126.6	-3.5

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka (a) FIPI based on ISIC Revision 4 Classification (b)Provisional