

LIST OF ACRONYMS

AAIB	Agriculture and Agrarian Insurance Board	ERIMU	Educational Reforms Implementation Monitoring Unit
ADB	Asian Development Bank	ESAF	Extended Structural Adjustment Facility
ADS	Average Duration of Stay	ETF	Employees' Trust Fund
APCPI	Anuradhapura District Consumer Price Index	EU	European Union
ASEAN	Association of South East Asian Nations	FAO	Food and Agriculture Organisation
ASPI	All Share Price Index	FB	Farmers' Bank
ATM	Automated Teller Machine	FCBU	Foreign Currency Banking Unit
AWDR	Average Weighted Deposit Rate	FCD	Food Commissioners Department
AWPR	Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate	FD	Forest Department
BIMST-EC	Bangladesh, India, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Thailand - Economic Co-operation	FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
BOI	Board of Investment	FSAP	Financial Sector Assessment Programme
BOO	Build, Own and Operate	FSCS	Forward Sales Contract System
BOT	Build, Own and Transfer	FTA	Free Trade Agreement
CBSL	Central Bank of Sri Lanka	FTC	Fair Trading Commission
CCB	Coconut Cultivation Board	GCPI	Greater Colombo Consumers' Price Index
CCPI	Colombo Consumers' Price Index	GDE	Gross Domestic Expenditure
CDCPI	Colombo District Consumer Price Index	GDP	Gross Domestic Product
CDD	Co-operative Development Department	GN	Grama Niladhari
CDIC	Capital Development and Investment Co. Ltd.	GNP	Gross National Product
CDS	Central Depository System	GOE	Group of Experts
CEA	Central Environmental Authority	GPS	Gami Pubuduwa Scheme
CEB	Ceylon Electricity Board	GST	Goods and Services Tax
CFS	Consumer Finances and Socio Economic Survey	GSTP	Generalised System of Trade Preference
CICL	Ceylinco Insurance Company Ltd.	HFI	Housing Finance Institutions
CIS	Commonwealth of Independent States	HNB	Hatton National Bank
CMRSP	Colombo Metropolitan Regional Structure Plan	HSCode	Harmonised System Code
COE	Committee of Experts	ICT	Institute of Computer Technology
COLA	Cost of Living Allowance	IDA	International Development Association
CP	Commercial Paper	IDPL	International Dairy Products Limited
CPC	Ceylon Petroleum Corporation	IEE	Initial Environmental Evaluations
CPI	Consumer Price Index	IES	Income and Expenditure Survey
CRB	Co-operative Rural Bank	IFC	International Finance Corporation
CRI	Coconut Research Institute	IFF	Industrial Facilitation Forum
CSE	Colombo Stock Exchange	IGG	Inter-Governmental Group
CTB	Ceylon Tourist Board	ILFTA	Indo-Lanka Free Trade Agreement
CTC	Cut, Tear and Curl	IMF	International Monetary Fund
CWDCS	Country Wide Data Collection System	IOR-ARC	Indian Ocean Rim Association for Regional Co-operation
CWE	Co-operative Wholesale Establishment	IPM	Integrated Pest Management
DBU	Domestic Banking Unit	IT	Information Technology
DC	Desiccated Coconut	JBIC	Japan Bank for International Co-operation
DCA	Department of Civil Aviation	JBS	Janashakthi Banking Society
DCGS	Department of Commissioner General of Samurdhi	JTC	Jaya Container Terminal
DCRB	District Co-operative Rural Banking Union	KIA	Katunayake International Airport
DCS	Department of Census and Statistics	LG	Local Government
DDEC	Dambulla Dedicated Economic Centre	LIBOR	London Inter Bank Offered Rate
DEA	Department of Export Agriculture	LP	Liquefied Petroleum
DEC	Dedicated Economic Centre	LSB	Licensed Specialised Bank
DHF	Dengue Haemorrhagic Fever	LTTE	Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam
DIT	Department of Internal Trade	MCI	Monetary Conditions Index
DOA	Department of Agriculture	MENR	Ministry of Environment & Natural Resources
DOP	Department of Posts	MFA	Multi-Fiber Arrangement
DC	Divisional Secretariat	MFOR	Ministry of Fisheries & Ocean Resources
DTET	Department of Technical Education and Training	MICE	Meetings, Incentive Travel, Conventions & Exhibitions
ECCD	Early Childhood Care & Development	MLCPI	Matale District Consumer Price Index
EDB	Export Development Board	MO	Medical Officer
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment	MPC	Monetary Policy Committee
ELVIS	Electronic Visa Information System	MPCS	Multi-purpose Co-operative Society
EMS	Express Mail Service	MPI	Milanka Price Index
EPF	Employees' Provident Fund	MRCPI	Matara District Consumer Price Index
EPL	Environment Protection License	NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement
EPZ	Export Processing Zone	NAITA	National Apprentice & Industrial Training Authority

NARA	National Aquatic Resources Research and Development Agency	SCATB	Standing Cabinet Appointed Tender Board
NCG	Net Credit to the Government	SDB	SANASA Development Bank
NCRCS	New Comprehensive Rural Credit Scheme	SDDS	Special Data Dissemination Standards
NDB	National Development Bank	SDR	Special Drawing Rights
NDF	Nordic Development Fund	SEC	Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka
NEER	Nominal Effective Exchange Rate	SEEDS	Sarvodaya Economic Enterprise Development Services
n.e.s.	not elsewhere specified	SLA	SriLankan Airlines
NFA	Net Foreign Assets	SLBFE	Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment
NFIA	Net Factor Income from Abroad	SLCC	Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation
NGO	Non-Governmental Organisation	SLCPI	Sri Lanka Consumer Price Index
NHDA	National Housing Development Authority	SLCTB	Sri Lanka Central Transport Board
NIC	National Insurance Corporation	SLDB	Sri Lanka Development Bond
NITE	National Institute of Technical Education	SLECIC	Sri Lanka Export Credit Insurance Corporation
NLL	Nestle Lanka Limited	SLIATE	Sri Lanka Institute of Advanced Technical Education
NMA	Naval Maritime Academy	SLIBOR	Sri Lanka Inter Bank Offered Rate
NORAD	Norwegian Agency for Development Co-operation	SLIC	Sri Lanka Insurance Corporation
NPITSE	National Policy on Information Technology in School Education	SLIIT	Sri Lanka Institute of Information Technology
NPL	Non Performing Loans	SLPA	Sri Lanka Ports Authority
NPS	National Productivity Secretariat	SLR	Sri Lanka Railways
NR	Natural Rubber	SLT	Sri Lanka Telecom Ltd.
NRFC	Non-Resident Foreign Currency	SME	Small and Medium Enterprise
NSB	National Savings Bank	SMI	Small and Medium Industries
NSL	National Security Levy	SMIB	State Mortgage and Investment Bank
NTC	National Transport Commission	SMILE	Small and Micro Industries Leader and Entrepreneur Promotion Project
NWSDB	National Water Supply & Drainage Board	SNA	System of National Accounts
ODA	Official Development Assistance	SNC	Save the Nation Contribution
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development	SPC	State Pharmaceutical Corporation of Sri Lanka
OMO	Open Market Operations	SPX	Sub-contracting Partnership Exchange
PAMP	Poverty Alleviation Microfinance Project	SRI	Sugar Research Institute
PAYE	Pay As You Earn	SRR	Statutory Reserve Ratio
PC	Provincial Council	STC	State Timber Corporation
PCE	Private Consumption Expenditure	STP	Sustainable Township Program
PCI	Participatory Credit Institution	STWSP	Small Towns Water Supply Project
PCL	Prima Ceylon Limited	TA	Technical Assistance
PDSP	Plantation Development Support Programme	TAI	Tharuna Aruna Institute
PERC	Public Enterprises Reform Commission	TB	Tuberculosis
PHSWT	Plantation Housing & Social Welfare Trust	TCCS	Thrift and Credit Co-operative Societies
PSDG	Province Specific Development Grants	TDRF	Textile Debt Recovery Fund
PSDP	Province Specific Development Programme	TEU	Twenty-foot Equivalent Unit
PSPF	Public Service Provident Fund	TEVT	Technical Education and Vocational Training
PTF	Presidential Task Force	TEWA	Termination of Employment of Workmen Act, No. 45 of 1971
QLFS	Quarterly Labour Force Survey	TIEP	Temporary Imports for Export Promotion
R & D	Research and Development	TQB	Textile Quota Board
RDA	Road Development Authority	TQM	Total Quality Management
RDB	Regional Development Bank	TRC	Telecommunication Regulatory Commission of Sri Lanka
RDD	Rubber Development Department	TRI	Tea Research Institute
REEL	Real Estate Exchange Ltd.	TRIPS	Trade Related Intellectual Property Rights
REER	Real Effective Exchange Rate	TSHDA	Tea Small Holdings Development Authority
RFC	Resident Foreign Currency	TVEC	Tertiary & Vocational Education Commission
RNNFC	Resident Non-National Foreign Currency	UAE	United Arab Emirates
RRI	Rubber Research Institute	UDA	Urban Development Authority
RSS	Ribbed, Smoked Sheets	UGC	University Grants Commission
RTC	Regional Transport Companies (Cluster Bus Companies)	UK	United Kingdom
RTGS	Real Time Gross Settlements	UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
SAARC	South Asian Association for Regional Co-operation	UNIDO	United Nations Industrial Development Organisation
SAF	Structural Adjustment Facility	USA/US	United States of America
SAGT	South Asia Gateway Terminals Ltd.	VAT	Value Added Tax
SAPTA	South Asian Preferential Trading Arrangement	VCC	Venture Capital Company
SASL	Samurdhi Authority of Sri Lanka	VTA	Vocational Training Authority of Sri Lanka
SBA	Stand-By Arrangement	WBSL	Women's Bureau of Sri Lanka
SBL	Stock Borrowing and Lending	WDF	Women's Development Federation
SBS	Samurdhi Banking Society	WPI	Wholesale Price Index
		WRI	Wage Rate Index
		WTO	World Trade Organisation