



**Democratic Socialist Republic
of Sri Lanka**

Sri Lanka Development Bonds



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**Public Debt Department
Central Bank of Sri Lanka**

SRI LANKA DEVELOPMENT BONDS

The Sri Lanka Development Bonds (SLDBs) are a debt instrument denominated in US Dollars issued by the Government of Sri Lanka in terms of the Foreign Loans Act, No.29 of 1957.

Repayment is guaranteed by the Government of Sri Lanka.

Eligibility

The following categories of persons are eligible to purchase SLDBs.

- (a) Authorised Dealers appointed in terms of Section 4 of the Exchange Control Act, No.24 of 1953;
- (b) Primary Dealers appointed by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka under the Registered Stock and Securities Ordinance, No.7 of 1937 and the Local Treasury Bills Ordinance, No.8 of 1923;
- (c) Citizens of foreign states whether resident in Sri Lanka or outside Sri Lanka;
- (d) Citizens of Sri Lanka who have made their permanent abode outside Sri Lanka;
- (e) Citizens of Sri Lanka who have proceeded outside Sri Lanka to take up employment or to set up in business or in a profession;
- (f) Citizens of Sri Lanka who have dual citizenship provided that those citizens substantiate that their permanent place of abode is outside Sri Lanka;
- (g) Bodies corporate or unincorporate established under the laws of a country other than Sri Lanka;
- (h) Companies who have entered into agreements in terms of Section 17 of the Board of Investment of Sri Lanka Act, No.4 of 1978 with full exemption from the provisions of the Exchange Control

Act provided that all purchases of SLDBs are made against debits to foreign currency accounts maintained only for the purpose of crediting earnings from exports of such companies.

- (i) Companies registered to carry on insurance business in Sri Lanka under the provisions of the Regulation of Insurance Industry Act, No.43 of 2000 provided that all purchases of SLDBs are made against debits to Special Foreign Currency Accounts maintained with commercial banks in terms of the approval of the Controller of Exchange.

The SLDBs are not sold in the USA or to persons residing in the USA.

Salient Features of SLDBs

Maturity Period

The maturity periods of the SLDBs are one (1) year, two (2) years, three (3) years and 5 (five) years.

Denominations

These bonds are denominated in US Dollars. The minimum investment at the auction shall be USD 100,000. Denominations are available in multiples of USD 10,000. In the secondary market the minimum investment shall be USD 10,000.

Interest Payments & Principal Repayment

Interest is paid to the holders in every six (6) months from the date of issue. Calculation of interest payments will be based on the six month London Inter Bank Offered Rate (LIBOR) for USD per annum plus a margin determined through competitive bidding at the auction or a fixed margin determined through competitive bidding at the auction.

Principal repayment is made at the end of the maturity period.

Principal and interest on SLDBs are fully repatriable.

Paying Agent

Bank of Ceylon, Colombo, Sri Lanka is the Paying Agent appointed by the Superintendent of Public Debt (SPD) to make payment of interest and repayment of principal to the holders of SLDBs.

Transfer

The SLDBs are transferable by endorsement, delivery and registration on an application made to the SPD. Application forms for transfers can be obtained through Designated Agents.

Joint Holders

SLDBs may be held jointly by two holders. Repayment of principal and payments of interest are made to the person whose name appears first on the SLDB and to the surviving holder whose name appears next on the SLDB in the event of death of the first holder.

Nominee & Custodian

A holder can nominate a nominee as an alternative holder of the Bond in the event of a death of both Registered Holder and the Joint Holder.

A holder can appoint a custodian with the approval of the SPD to hold SLDBs on behalf of the holder.

Tax Treatment

All payments in respect of SLDBs are free from tax. An amount equal to interest or the discount paid or allowed as the case may be on any Sri Lanka Development Bond denominated in United States Dollars is exempt from Income Tax under section 13 of the Inland Revenue Act, No.10 of 2006, as amended. The SLDBs are exempted from the payment of stamp duty and are not liable for withholding tax.

Designated Agents

Name	Telephone
Acuity Securities Ltd.	94-11-2206291-2
Axis Bank Ltd.	94-11-2577723
Bank of Ceylon	94-11-2439566
.....	94-11-2445785-7
Capital Alliance Ltd.	94-11-2317702
Cargills Bank Ltd.	94-11-7640260
Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC	94-11-2486330/4
Deutsche Bank AG	94-11-4791252/3
DFCC Bank PLC	94-11-2442780
First Capital Treasuries PLC.	94-11-2639815
.....	94-11-2639892/3
Habib Bank Ltd.	94-11-2326565
Hatton National Bank PLC	94-11-2661105
.....	94-11-2664850
The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation Ltd. (HSBC)	94-11-2421697
Indian Bank	94-11-2438302
.....	94-11-2323402/3
Indian Overseas Bank	94-11-5324426
MCB Bank Ltd.	94-11-5222234
.....	94-11-2448765
National Development Bank PLC	94-11-2446994
Nations Trust Bank PLC	94-11-4313119
.....	94-11-4313122
Nat Wealth Securities Ltd.	94-11-4716274
NSB Fund Management Co., Ltd.	94-11-2565956-7
.....	94-11-2564601
Pan Asia Banking Corporation PLC	94-11-2565561
.....	94-11-2576964
People's Bank	94-11-2206782
Perpetual Treasuries Ltd.	94-11-2206123
Public Bank Berhad	94-11-2576289-92
.....	94-11-7290200-7
Sampath Bank PLC.....	94-11-4730336
.....	94-11-2300146
Seylan Bank PLC	94-11-2452513-4
.....	94-11-2456325-7
Standard Chartered Bank	94-11-2480005
Union Bank of Colombo PLC.....	94-11-2374158
WealthTrust Securities Ltd.....	94-11-2675091-4

Collecting Interest and Maturity Proceeds

An investor can make arrangements to collect interest payments and principal repayments in a manner flexible to him/her by a US Dollar cheque drawn in his/her favour or to a US Dollar account in accordance with his/her duly intimated instructions.

Information

The investors can obtain further information on SLDBs from the SPD or from Designated Agents.

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