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CENTRAL BANK OF SRI LANKA

## INSTITUTIONS AUTHORISED BY THE CENTRAL BANK OF SRI LANKA TO DEAL IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE (As at 11.10.2019)

### 1. Who are Authorised to Deal in Foreign Exchange in Sri Lanka?

- a. In terms of the Foreign Exchange Act, No. 12 of 2017, the Central Bank of Sri Lanka (Central Bank) authorises persons to deal in Foreign Exchange.
- b. The Central Bank has authorised 26 Licensed Commercial Banks and their branches to deal in foreign exchange for permitted transactions and selected branches of 02 Licensed Specialised Banks for the purposes specified in the respective authorisation.
- c. 77 outlets of 66 Authorised Money Changers, selected branches of 09 Licensed Finance Companies and 04 Tourist Hotels are authorised by the Central Bank as Restricted Dealers to deal in foreign exchange for the purposes specified in their permits.
- d. The list of institutions authorised by the Central Bank to deal in foreign exchange with respective permitted activities is available in the website; [www.dfe.lk](http://www.dfe.lk).
- e. The public is advised to buy and/or sell and exchange foreign currency notes, only with the institutions authorised by the Central Bank, i.e. Authorised Dealers and Restricted Dealers who display the logo of “Authorised Money Changer”.



### 2. What is meant by Deal in Foreign Exchange?

As defined in the Foreign Exchange Act, ‘foreign exchange dealings’ include,

- Accepting
- Buying
- Selling
- Borrowing
- Lending of Foreign Exchange and
- Exchange to any other Foreign Currency

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Authorised Dealers			
Licensed Commercial Banks (Authorised to Deal in Foreign Exchange for Permitted Transactions)			
1. Amana Bank PLC	8. Deutsche Bank AG	15. MCB Bank Ltd	22. Seylan Bank PLC
2. Axis Bank Ltd	9. DFCC Bank PLC	16. National Development Bank PLC	23. Standard Chartered Bank
3. Bank of Ceylon	10. Habib Bank Ltd	17. Nations Trust Bank PLC	24. State Bank of India
4. Bank of China Ltd	11. Hatton National Bank PLC	18. Pan Asia Banking Corporation PLC	25. The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation Ltd (HSBC)
5. Cargills Bank Ltd	12. ICICI Bank Ltd	19. People's Bank	26. Union Bank of Colombo PLC
6. Citibank, N.A.	13. Indian Bank	20. Public Bank Berhad	
7. Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC	14. Indian Overseas Bank	21. Sampath Bank PLC	
Licensed Specialised Banks (Permitted to Deal in Foreign Exchange for the Purposes Specified in the Authorisation)			
1. National Savings Bank	2. Sanasa Development Bank PLC		
Restricted Dealers			
Money Changers* (Permitted to Buy, Sell** and Exchange Foreign Currency Notes)			
1. A H M Trading (Pvt) Ltd, Wattala	8. Metro Forex (Pvt) Ltd, Negombo		
2. Arrujina Jewellery (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 11	9. Prasanna Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01		
3. City Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01	10. Prasanna Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 06		
4. Crown Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01	11. Pushpa Money Changer (Pvt) Ltd, Negombo		
5. Devi Forex (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 11	12. Ravi Forexae (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 11		
6. Maruthi Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 06	13. Thomas Cook Lanka (Pvt) Ltd, Bandaranaike International Airport		
7. Mercantile Merchant Bank Ltd, Colombo 03			
Money Changers* (Permitted to Buy and Exchange Foreign Currency Notes)			
1. A O Lakshmi Jewels (Pvt) Ltd, Matale	16. Daya Authorized Money Changer (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 11	33. M P Money Changer (Pvt) Ltd, Gampaha	50. Salaka Trust Investment (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 02
2. Abdeen Money Changers (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01	17. Delta Sarath Holdings (Pvt) Ltd, Ambalangoda	34. Maruthi Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Jaffna	51. Sharanga Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Jaffna
3. Abilash Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Ja-Ela	18. Galle Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Galle	35. Mayurie Money Changers (Pvt) Ltd, Negombo	52. Shifaz Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01
4. Ariyawansa Enterprises (Pvt) Ltd, Kiribathgoda	19. Galle Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Galle Fort	36. Midna Mini Market (Pvt) Ltd, Wennappuwa	53. Sornam Forex (Private) Limited, Kalmunai
5. Aruna Forexc (Pvt) Ltd, Nuwara Eliya	20. George Michael Holdings (Pvt) Ltd, Wennappuwa	37. Milano Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Wennappuwa	54. S S D D Money Exchanging (Pvt) Ltd, Wadduwa
6. Asian Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01	21. Gexon Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01	38. Narmatha Gold Centre (Pvt) Ltd, Jaffna	55. Swiss Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01
7. Brescia Grameen (Pvt) Ltd, Negombo	22. Global Trust Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Aluthgama	39. Narmatha Gold Centre (Pvt) Ltd, Kilinochchi	56. Swiss Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 06
8. Bullion Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 11	23. Global Village Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Negombo	40. New Natasha (Pvt) Ltd, Wennappuwa	57. Thamasha Forex (Pvt) Ltd, Chilaw
9. Capital Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01	24. Golden Money Changers (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01	41. New Regal's Money Changer (Pvt) Ltd, Kurunegala	58. Thomas Cook Lanka (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 02
10. Carlo International (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 06	25. Haifa Travels & Tours (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01	42. Pearl Exci (Pvt) Ltd, Negombo	59. Thomas Cook Lanka (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 03
11. Central Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 04	26. International Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01	43. Rafeek's Gems (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01	60. Thomas Cook Lanka (Pvt) Ltd, Kandy
12. Colombo Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01	27. Jayes Investments Ltd, Colombo 11	44. Rimha Jewellery (Pvt) Ltd, Puttalam	61. Unic Forex (Pvt) Ltd, Chilaw
13. Colombo Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 06	28. Jewel Lanka Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Negombo	45. Rivindu Enterprises (Pvt) Ltd, Wattala	62. Vasanthas Intl. Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Kandy
14. Dadigama Group (Pvt) Ltd, Maharagama	29. Jeya Forex Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 03	46. Royal Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01	63. Western Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01
15. Data Exchange International (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01	30. Kamal Enterprises (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01	47. Royal Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 06	64. Windsor Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01
	31. Keyser Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 11	48. Royal Money Mart (Pvt) Ltd, Aluthgama	
	32. Kudamadu Money Exchange (Pvt) Ltd, Mahawewa	49. Royal Money Mart (Pvt) Ltd, Colombo 01	
Licensed Finance Companies* (Permitted to Buy, Sell** and Exchange Foreign Currency Notes)			
1. Asia Asset Finance PLC	6. LOLC Finance PLC		
2. Bimputh Finance PLC	7. Senkadagala Finance PLC		
3. Citizens Development Business Finance PLC	8. Singer Finance (Lanka) PLC		
4. Lanka Credit and Business Finance Limited	9. Sinhaputhra Finance PLC		
5. LB Finance PLC			
Tourist Hotels* (Permitted only to Buy Foreign Currency Notes)			
1. Pearl City Hotel, Colombo 04	3. Shangri-la's Hambantota Resorts & Spa, Hambantota		
2. Shangri-La Hotel, Colombo 02	4. Sigiriya Jungles, Kimbissa		
Other Entities (for Purposes Specified in the Respective Authorisation)			
1. MMBL Money Transfer (Pvt) Ltd.	2. Sri Lanka Export Credit Insurance Corporation		
*subject to receipt of periodic permits ** only for travel purposes			

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