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## PART I: SECTION (I) — GENERAL

### Government Notifications

#### COLOMBO CONSUMERS' PRICE INDEX

	Unit	Average, 1952			November, 1953		
		Quantity	Price Cents	Value Rs.	Price Cents	Index	Value Rs.
<b>FOOD</b>				125 17		105.49	132.04
<b>Cereals</b>				27.16		128.40	34.87
Rice, rationed	meas	*28 14	25	7 04	55		18.02
Rice, outside ration	meas	7 37	87	6 41	—		—
Wheat Flour	lb	†30 77	23	7 08	23		8 34
<b>Meals purchased</b>				8.24		104 56	8 62
<b>Beverages</b>				20 43		110 38	22 55
Tea, B. O. P	lb	08	222	18	220		18
Tea, Dust	lb.	57	200	1 14	193		1 10
Coffee Seed	lb	28	310	87	293		83
Sugar, Brown	lb.	10 47	50	5 24	60		6 28
Sugar, White	lb.	1 85	57	1 05	67		1.24
Milk, Fresh	bot		78	2 42	78	100 00	2.42
Milk, Condensed	tin	88	100	88	100		88
Milk Foods				2 19		100 81	2.21
Milk Powder				27		99 64	27
Prepared Tea with milk	cup.		6	5 69	7	116 67	6.64
Aerated Water	doz. bot.		216	50	216	100 00	50
<b>Condiments</b>				14 49		98 96	14 34
Chillies, dried	lb	2 11	128	2 70	157		3 31
Coriander	lb	1 32	63	83	59		78
Salt	lb.	9 33	6	56	6		56
Pepper	lb	19	504	96	303		96
Turmeric	lb.	24	67	16	75		18
Garlic	lb.	39	106	41	103		40
Vinegar	bot	25	68	17	66		17
Mustard	lb.	35	71	25	119		42
<b>Spices</b>				2.22		87 52	1 94
Ginger, Dried	lb.	† 16	226		159	70.35	
Cummin Seed	lb	† 47	124		112	90 32	
Fennel Seed	lb	† 21	124		108	87.10	
Mathe Seed	lb	† 16	67		65	97 01	
Tamarind	lb		34	43	38	111 76	48
Limes	each	46 50	3 89	1 81	3 72		1 73
Maldive Fish	lb	1 05	124	1.30	147		1 54
Onions, Red	lb	4 00	46	1 84	35		1.40
Onions, Bombay	lb	2 12	40	85	22		.47
<b>Pulses</b>				2.29		87 52	2 00
<b>Vegetables and Fruits</b>				14.28		95 87	13 69
Group I (Non-Seasonal)				3.93		102 69	4.04
Group II (Leaf)				1.52		100 57	1 53
Group III (Seasonal)				6 58		87 13	5 73
Yams				21		165.38	35
Fruits, Fresh				2 04		100.00	2 04
<b>Fats and Oils</b>				2 98		116 09	3 46
Coconut oil	bot.	3 17	87	2 76	101		3 20
<b>Groceries</b>				.58		98 17	57
Butter, Fresh	lb.	† 35	301		288	95.68	
Kraft Cheese	tin	† 6	168		176	104.76	
Jam, I. K. L.	tin	† 10	141		151	107.09	
Biscuits, H. & P. Cream Crackers No. 1	tin	† 29	321		316	98.44	

\* The quantity in November 1953 is 32 76 measures.

† The quantity in November 1953 is 36.27 lb.

‡ Weights.

	Unit	Average, 1952			November, 1953		
		Quantity	Price Cents	Value Rs	Price Cents	Index	Value Rs.
<b>Meat</b>				7 72		101 23	7 81
Beef (with bones)	lb	‡ 37	74		78	105 41	
Beef (without bones)	lb	‡ 32	88		89	101 14	
Mutton (with bones)	lb	‡ 20	200		193	96 50	
Mutton (without bones)	lb	‡ 11	227		218	96 04	
<b>Fish, fresh and dried</b>				20 62		80 89	16 68
Fish, fresh				10 96		72 88	7 93
Fish, dried				9 66		90 62	8 75
<b>Miscellaneous</b>				6 38		116 77	7 45
Coconuts	each	30 32	12 34	3 74	17 00		5 15
Papadam	lb		86	47	83	96 51	45
Eggs	each	3 85	20	77	21		81
Potatoes	lb.	4 53	31	1 40	23		1 04
<b>FUEL AND LIGHT</b>				8 67		104 04	9 02
Kerosene oil	bot	12 04	18	2 33	18		2 33
Firewood	owt	3 11	185	5 75	193		6 00
Matches	each	12 67	3 5	44	3 5		44
Electricity				15		166 67	25
<b>HOUSE RENT</b>				11 52		101 30	11 67
<b>CLOTHING</b>				19 05		80 65	15 36
Suitings		‡ 14				99 25	
Shirts		‡ 13				98 56	
Sarongs		‡ 14				96 91	
Camboys		‡ 1				98 10	
Vetties		‡ 2				99 30	
Sarees		‡ 10				97 09	
Printed Fabrics		‡ 17				100 11	
Long Cloth		‡ 8				98 69	
Grey Cloth		‡ 1				98 26	
Banians		‡ 3				100 54	
Silk		‡ 12				99 61	
Towels		‡ 2				93 10	
Household Linen		‡ 3				99 27	
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>				37 83		94 85	35 88
Betel and arecanuts				3 75		83 91	3 15
Tobacco				6 41		104 00	6 67
Hair dressing and Toilet Requisites				5 05		95 56	4 83
Medicine				2 41		104 80	2 53
Liquor				6 69		77 49	5 18
Household Goods				1 33		95 65	1 27
Newspapers				1 21		100 00	1 21
Education				2 19		94 52	2 07
Postage				16		150 00	24
Laundry				3 39		100 00	3 39
Sports and Clubs				15		100 00	15
Entertainment				1 28		100 00	1 28
Transport				3 81		102 61	3 91
<b>TOTAL (BUDGET)</b>				202 24			203 97
<b>INDEX NUMBER</b> (Average prices, 1952 = 100)						100 9	

‡ Weights

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**THE WAGES BOARDS ORDINANCE**

**Notification**

I, Nanda Deva Wijesekera, Acting Director of Census and Statistics, being the competent authority appointed under section 20 (2) (d) of the Wages Boards Ordinance, No. 27 of 1941, as amended by the Wages Boards (Amendment) Ordinance, No. 40 of 1943, by the Minister by notifications published in *Gazette* No. 9,327 of November 3, 1944, No. 9,591 of August 16, 1946, No. 9,683 of March 21, 1947, No. 9,928 of December 10, 1948, No. 9,963 of April 1, 1949, No. 10,108 of June 2, 1950, and No. 10,541 of June 25, 1953, do hereby declare that the cost of living index number for the month of November, 1953, applicable to workers in each of the trades specified in the Schedule hereto is 100.9.

N. D. WIJESSEKERA,  
Acting Director of Census and Statistics.

Department of Census and Statistics,  
Colombo, November 26, 1953.

**SCHEDULE**

1. The Engineering Trade
2. The Printing Trade
3. The Tea Export Trade.
4. The Rubber Export Trade.
5. The Motor Transport Trade.
6. The Match Manufacturing Trade.
7. The Cinema Trade.
8. The Dock, Harbour and Port Transport Trade.
9. The Building Trade.
10. The Tea Growing and Manufacturing Trade.
11. The Cocoa, Cardamom and Pepper Growing and Manufacturing Trade.
12. The Rubber Growing and Manufacturing Trade.
13. The Coconut Growing Trade.
14. The Coconut Manufacturing Trade.
15. The Plumbago Trade

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**SPECIAL ALLOWANCE PAYABLE TO WORKERS IN THE TEA GROWING AND MANUFACTURING, THE RUBBER GROWING AND MANUFACTURING, THE COCOA, CARDAMOM AND PEPPER GROWING AND MANUFACTURING, THE COCONUT GROWING, THE COCONUT MANUFACTURING, THE PLUMBAGO, THE ENGINEERING, THE PRINTING, THE MOTOR TRANSPORT, THE TEA EXPORT, THE RUBBER EXPORT, THE MATCH MANUFACTURING, THE CINEMA, THE DOCK, HARBOUR AND PORT TRANSPORT, AND THE BUILDING TRADES**

IT is hereby notified, under section 20 (2) (b) of the Wages Boards Ordinance, No 27 of 1941, that the cost of living index number for the above trades for the month of November, 1953, being 100 9, the special allowance payable in respect of the month of December or for a normal working day in the month of December, 1953, as the case may be, will be as follows —

1 *The Tea Growing and Manufacturing, the Rubber Growing and Manufacturing, and the Cocoa, Cardamom and Pepper Growing and Manufacturing Trades*

Class of Worker	Special allowance for a normal working day	
	Rs.	c
Male worker not under 16 years of age	1	9
Female worker not under 15 years of age	0	82
Child worker	0	75

2 *The Coconut Growing and the Coconut Manufacturing Trades*

Class of Worker	Special allowance for a normal working day	
	Coconut Growing Trade Rs. c.	Coconut Manufacturing Trade Rs c
Male worker not under 18 years of age (including kangany).	1 9	1 27
Female worker not under 18 years of age	0 82	0 95
Worker (irrespective of sex) under 18 years of age	0 75	0 88

3 *The Plumbago Trade*

Class of Worker	Special allowance for a normal working day	
	Workers other than workers employed in tasks connected with curing and dressing of marketable plumbago Rs c.	Workers employed in tasks connected with curing and dressing of marketable plumbago Rs c
Male worker not under 18 years of age	1 18	1 38
Female worker not under 18 years of age	0 88	1 8
Worker (irrespective of sex) under 18 years of age	0 81	1 1

4 *Engineering Trade*

Class of Worker	Special allowance for a normal working day	
	Rs.	c.
Unskilled labourers	1	33
Semi-skilled workers, Grades I and II, Skilled workers, Kanganyies, and Watchers	1	43
Trade learners and apprentices—		
1st year	0	43
2nd year	0	53
3rd year	0	81
4th year	0	96

5. *Printing Trade*

Class of Worker	Special allowance for the month	
	Rs	c
Class A worker other than learner or apprentice	79	0
Class B worker other than learner or apprentice	60	50
Class C Grade I worker other than learner or apprentice	51	25
Class C Grade II worker other than learner or apprentice	46	54
Class D worker other than learner or apprentice	42	0
Class E worker	39	73
Class F worker	21	65
Class G worker	42	0

Class of Worker	1st Year	2nd Year	3rd Year	4th Year	5th Year
	Rs c	Rs c	Rs. c	Rs c	Rs. c.
Class A learner or apprentice	24 70	32 60	40 50	52 10	64 20
Class B learner or apprentice	19 15	30 75	36 80	45 54	—
Class C Grade I learner or apprentice	21 0	26 4	31 25	38 73	—
Class C Grade II learner or apprentice	19 15	23 77	28 39	35 15	—
Class D learner or apprentice	17 30	21 50	25 70	31 75	—

6 *Motor Transport Trade*

Class of Worker	Special allowance	
	For the month Rs c.	For a normal working day in the month Rs. c
Classes A, B, D and F	42 0	1 80
Class C	39 50	1 80
Class E	37 0	1 55
Classes G and H	38 30	1 80
Class K	29 0	1 6
Classes I and J	38 30	—

7. *Tea Export and Rubber Export Trades*

Class of Worker	Special allowance for a normal working day	
	Rs c.	Rs c.
A Male workers not under 18 years of age—		
Grade II	1	33
Intermediate Grade, Grade I, Box makers and repairers (applicable to tea export trade only) and Watchers	1	43
B Female workers not under 18 years of age	1	21
C Workers (irrespective of sex)-under 18 years of age—		
Over 14 years but under 15 years	0	84
Over 15 years but under 16 years	0	89
Over 16 years but under 17 years	0	94
Over 17 years but under 18 years	1	4

8. *Match Manufacturing Trade*

Class of Worker	Special allowance for a normal working day	
	For men Rs. c.	For women Rs. c.
A. Adults (18 years and over) —		
Grades I and II	1 43	1 33
Grade III	1 33	1 21
Grade IV	1 43	—

	<i>Irrespective of sex Rs. c.</i>
B. Young persons—	
Over 14 years and under 17 years . .	0 85
17 years and over but under 18 years	1 4

9. *Cinema Trade*

<i>Class of Worker</i>	<i>Special allowance for the month Rs. c.</i>
A. Non-Clerical—	
Unskilled workers . . . . .	34 38
Semi-skilled workers . . . . .	36 98
Skilled workers, Grades I and II	38 80
B. Clerical—	
Grade III . . . . .	34 50
Grade II . . . . .	37 50
Grade I . . . . .	42 50

10. *Dock, Harbour and Port Transport Trade*

<i>Class of Worker</i>	<i>Special allowance for the month Rs c</i>
Manual Work—	
Special Grade . . . . .	32 50
Skilled Grade . . . . .	28 50
Semi-skilled Grade, Unskilled Grades I and II, and women workers . . . . .	25 50
Non-manual Work—	
Special Grade . . . . .	38 0
Grade I . . . . .	28 50

11. *Building Trade*

<i>Class of Worker</i>	<i>Special allowance for a normal working day Rs. c.</i>
Unskilled labourers . . . . .	1 33
Semi-skilled Grade II, Semi-skilled Grade I and skilled workers . . . . .	1-43

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Commissioner of Labour.  
Colombo, November 28, 1953.

**DEARNESS ALLOWANCE PAYABLE ON ESTATES TO  
LABOURERS TO WHOM WAGES BOARDS DECISIONS  
DO NOT APPLY**

IT is hereby notified for general information that the dearness allowances payable for each working day in November, 1953, to labourers to whom minimum wages under the Wages Boards Ordinance are not payable is as follows —

	<i>Up- Country Cents</i>	<i>Mid- Country Cents</i>	<i>Low- Country Cents</i>
A male labourer . . . . .	76	74	71
A female labourer . . . . .	61	59	57
A child labourer . . . . .	61	59	57

The classification of an estate as Up, Mid, or Low shall be as in Notification No. 281 of December 21, 1940, published in *Government Gazette* of December 23, 1940.

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Colombo 3, November 28, 1953.