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COLOMBO CONSUMERS' PRICE INDEX

	Unit	Average, 1952			February, 1954		
		Quantity	Price Cents	Value Rs.	Price Cents	Index	Value Rs.
FOOD				125.17		105.54	132.10
Cereals				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
Meals purchased				8.24		104.56	8.62
Beverages				20.43		110.92	22.66
Tea, B. O. P.	lb.	.08	222	.18	237		.19
Tea, Dust	lb.	.57	200	1.14	212		1.21
Coffee Seed	lb.	.28	310	.87	304		.85
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	97		.85
Milk Foods				2.19		100.81	2.21
Milk Powder				.27		99.64	.27
Prepared Tea with milk	oup.		6	5.69	7	118.67	6.64
Aerated Water	doz bot.		216	50	216	100.00	.50
Condiments				14.49		98.62	14.29
Chilies, dried	lb.	2.11	128	2.70	160		3.38
Coriander	lb.	1.32	63	.83	50		.66
Salt	lb.	9.33	6	.56	6		.56
Pepper	lb.	.19	504	.96	479		.91
Turmeric	lb.	.24	67	.16	78		.19
Garlic	lb.	.39	106	.41	108		.42
Vinegar	bot.	.25	68	.17	66		.17
Mustard	lb.	.35	71	.25	117		.41
Spices				2.22		83.14	1.85
Ginger, Dried	lb.	† 18	226		148	65.49	
Curmum Seed	lb.	† 47	124		108	85.48	
Fennel Seed	lb.	† 21	124		103	83.06	
Mathe Seed	lb.	† 16	67		63	94.03	
Tamarind	lb.		34	.43	39	114.71	.49
Limes	each	48.50	3.89	1.81	2.30		1.07
Maldiva Fish	lb.	1.05	124	1.30	148		1.55
Onions, Red	lb.	4.00	46	1.84	53		2.12
Onions, Bombay	lb.	2.12	40	.85	24		.51
Pulses				2.29		81.19	1.86
Vegetables and Fruits				14.28		92.86	13.26
Group I (Non-Seasonal)				3.93		96.82	3.81
Group II (Leaf)				1.52		101.30	1.54
Group III (Seasonal)				6.58		84.35	5.55
Yams				.21		151.92	.32
Fruits, Fresh				2.04		100.00	2.04
Fats and Oils				2.98		125.29	3.73
Coconut oil	bot.	3.17	87	2.76	109		3.46

* The quantity is 32.76 measures.

† The quantity is 36.27 lb.

‡ Weights.

	Unit	Average, 1952			February, 1954		
		Quantity	Price Cents	Value Rs.	Price Cents	Index	Value Rs.
Groceries				58		98.42	57
Butter, Fresh	lb.	55	301		289	96.01	
Kraft Cheese	tin	6	168		177	105.36	
Jam, I. X. L.	tin	10	141		149	105.67	
Biscuits, H. & P. Cream Crackers No. 1	tin	29	321		318	99.07	
Meat				7.72		102.12	7.88
Beef (with bones)	lb.	37	74		77	104.05	
Beef (without bones)	lb.	32	88		90	102.27	
Mutton (with bones)	lb.	20	200		199	99.50	
Mutton (without bones)	lb.	11	227		227	100.00	
Fish, fresh and dried				20.62		80.26	16.55
Fish, fresh				10.96		73.89	8.10
Fish, dried				9.66		87.45	8.45
Miscellaneous				6.38		122.41	7.81
Coconuts	each	30.32	12.34	3.74	18.00		5.46
Papadam	lb.		86	.47	83	96.51	.45
Eggs	each	3.85	20	.77	20		.77
Potatoes	lb.	4.53	31	1.40	25		1.13
FUEL AND LIGHT				8.67		104.50	9.06
Kerosene oil	bot.	12.94	18	2.33	19		2.46
Firewood	owt.	3.11	185	5.75	190		5.91
Matches	each	12.67	3.5	.44	3.5		.44
Electricity				.15		166.67	.25
HOUSE RENT				11.52		101.53	11.70
CLOTHING				19.05		79.16	15.08
Suitings		14				99.03	
Shirtings		13				99.91	
Sarongs		14				100.05	
Camboys		1				100.00	
Vetties		2				92.29	
Sarees		10				100.08	
Printed Fabrics		17				101.07	
Long Cloth		8				100.57	
Grey Cloth		1				103.66	
Banians		1				100.18	
Silk		12				101.81	
Towels		2				99.33	
Household Linen		3				100.93	
MISCELLANEOUS				37.83		94.48	35.74
Betel and arecanuts				3.75		84.62	3.17
Tobacco				6.41		104.00	6.67
Hair dressing and toilet requisites				5.05		93.59	4.73
Medicine				2.41		100.05	2.41
Liquor				6.69		77.49	5.18
Household Goods				1.33		99.82	1.33
Newspapers				1.21		100.00	1.21
Education				2.19		95.43	2.09
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		102.14	3.89
TOTAL (BUDGET)				202.24			203.68
INDEX NUMBER (Average prices, 1952 = 100)..						100.7	
‡ Weights.							

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Colombo, February 25, 1954.

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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 February, 1954, applicable to workers in each of the trades specified in the Schedule hereto is 100.7.

N. D. WIJESEKERA,
Acting Director of Census and Statistics,
Department of Census and Statistics,
Colombo, February 25, 1954.

SCHEDULE

3 *The Plumbago Trade*

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.

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	Workers employed in tasks connected with curing and dressing of marketable plumbago
	Rs. c.	Rs. c.
Male worker not under 18 years of age ..	1 15	1 35
Female worker not under 18 years of age ..	0 86	1 6
Worker (irrespective of sex) under 18 years of age..	0 79	99

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, Kanganies and Watchers	1 43	
Trade learners and apprentices—		
1st year ..	0 43	
2nd year ..	0 53	
3rd year ..	0 81	
4th year ..	0 96	

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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 February, 1954, being 100 7, the special allowance payable in respect of the month of March or for a normal working day in the month of March, 1954, 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	

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	

2. *The Coconut Growing and the Coconut Manufacturing Trades*

Class of Worker	Special allowance for a normal working day		1st Year	2nd Year	3rd Year	4th Year	5th Year
	Rs. c.						
	Coconut Growing Trade	Coconut Manufacturing Trade					
Male worker not under 18 years of age (including kangany) ..	1 9	1 27	24 70	32 60	40 50	52 10	64 20
Female worker not under 18 years of age ..	0 82	0 95	19 15	30 75	36 80	45 54	—
Worker (irrespective of sex) under 18 years of age ..	0 75	0 88	17 30	21 50	25 70	31 75	—

6. *Motor Transport Trade*

Class of Worker	Special allowance	
	For the month	For a normal working day in the month
	Rs. c.	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.
A. Male workers not under 18 years of age—	
(a) 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	For women
	Rs. c.	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	—
		Irrespective of sex
		Rs. c.
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*

Class of Worker	Special allowance for the month
	Rs. c.
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*

Class of Worker	Special allowance for the month
	Rs. c.
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*

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

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for Commissioner of Labour.

Colombo, February 25, 1954.

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 allowance payable for each working day in February, 1954, to labourers to whom minimum wages under the Wages Boards Ordinance are not payable is as follows—

	Up-Country Cents	Mid-Country Cents	Low-Country Cents
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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Department of Labour,
Colombo 3, February 25, 1954.