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COLOMBO CONSUMERS' PRICE INDEX

	Unit	Average, 1952			April, 1954		
		Quantity	Price Cents	Value Re.	Price Cents	Index	Value Re.
FOOD				125.17		104.61	130.04
Cereals				27.16		128.40	34.87
Rice, fatoned	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		111.45	22.77
Tea, B. O. P.	lb.	.08	222	.18	243		.19
Tea, Dust	lb.	.57	200	1.14	225		1.28
Coffee Seed	lb.	.28	310	.87	326		.91
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	tan	.88	100	.88	96		.84
Milk Foods				2.19		100.65	2.20
Milk Powder				.27		99.27	.27
Prepared Tea with milk	cup.		6	5.69	7	116.67	6.64
Aerated Water	doz. bot.		216	50	216	100.00	.50
Condiments				14.49		95.58	13.85
Chilies, dried	lb.	2.11	128	2.70	145		3.06
Coriander	lb.	1.32	63	.83	51		.67
Salt	lb.	9.33	6	.56	6		.56
Pepper	lb.	.19	504	.96	435		.83
Turmeric	lb.	.24	67	.16	76		.18
Garlic	lb.	.39	106	.41	101		.39
Vinegar	bot.	.25	68	.17	66		.17
Mustard	lb.	.35	71	.25	124		.43
Spices				2.22		83.61	1.86
Ginger, Dried	lb.	1.16	226		151		66.81
Cumin Seed	lb.	1.47	124		108		87.10
Fennel Seed	lb.	1.21	124		100		80.65
Mathe Seed	lb.	1.16	67		63		94.03
Tamarind	lb.		34	.43	38	111.76	
Limes	each	46.50	3.89	1.81	2.92		1.36
Maldive Fish	lb.	1.05	124	1.30	148		1.55
Onions, Red	lb.	4.00	46	1.84	44		1.76
Onions, Bombay	lb.	2.12	40	.85	26		.55

* The quantity is 32.76 measures.

† The quantity is 36.27 lb.

‡ Weights.

	Unit	Average, 1952			April, 1954		
		Quantity	Price Cents	Value Rs.	Price Cents	Index	Value Rs.
Pulses				2.29		78.54	1 80
Vegetables and Fruits				14.28		88 66	12.66
Group I (Non-Seasonal)				3.93		93.85	3 69
Group II (Leaf)				1.52		96 13	1 46
Group III (Seasonal)				6.58		78 37	5.16
Yams .. .. .				.21		148 08	.31
Fruits, Fresh				2.04		100.00	2.04
Fats and Oils				2.98		113 79	3 39
Coconut oil bot.		3.17	87	2.76	99		3 14
Groceries .. .. .				.58		98.62	.57
Butter, Fresh lb.		‡ 55	301		239	96 01	
Kraft Cheese tin		‡ 6	168		190	113.10	
Jam, I. K. L. tin		‡ 10	141		149	105 67	
Biscuits, H. & P. Cream Crackers No 1 tin		‡ 29	321		315	98.13	
Meat				7.72		100.98	7.80
Beef (with bones) lb.		‡ 37	74		75	101 35	
Beef (without bones) lb.		‡ 32	88		90	102 27	
Mutton (with bones) lb.		‡ 20	200		199	99 60	
Mutton (without bones) lb.		‡ 11	227		224	98 68	
Fish, fresh and dried				20.62		85 65	17 66
Fish, fresh				10.96		80 05	8 77
Fish, dried				9 66		91 98	8 89
Miscellaneous				6.38		108.93	6 95
Coconuts each		30.32	12.34	3 74	15 00		4 55
Papadam lb.			86	47	83	96.51	.45
Eggs each		3.85	20	.77	20		.77
Potatoes lb.		4 53	31	1.40	26		1.18
FUEL AND LIGHT				8 67		101 96	8 84
Kerosene oil bot.		12.94	18	2 33	19		2 46
Firewood cwt.		3.11	185	5.75	133		5.69
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		78 72	15 00
Sutings		‡ 14				98 80	
Shirts		‡ 13				99 68	
Sarongs		‡ 14				100 81	
Camboys		‡ 1				100 00	
Vetties		‡ 2				101 10	
Saroca		‡ 10				99 77	
Printed Fabrics		‡ 17				98.17	
Long Cloth		‡ 8				99 82	
Grey Cloth		‡ 1				97 83	
Banias		‡ 3				100 05	
Silk		‡ 12				98 13	
Towels		‡ 2				102 05	
Household Linen		‡ 3				99 44	
MISCELLANEOUS				37.83		94.66	35 81
Betel and arecanuts				3 75		88 07	3 30
Tobacco				6 41		104 00	6 67
Hair dressing and toilet requisites				5 05		92 14	4.65
Medicines				2 41		100 05	2 41
Liquor				6 69		77 49	5.18
Household Goods				1 33		100 53	1 34
Newspapers				1 21		100 00	1 21
Education				2 19		95.89	2.10
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			202.29
INDEX NUMBER (Average prices, 1952 = 100)						100 0	
† Weights							

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Colombo, April 29, 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 *Gazettes* 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 April, 1954, applicable to workers in each of the trades specified in the Schedule hereto is 100·0.

N D WIJESEKERA,

Acting Director of Census and Statistics.

Department of Census and Statistics,
Colombo, 29th April, 1954.

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 April, 1954, being 100·0, the special allowance payable in respect of the month of May or for a normal working day in the month of May, 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

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 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	0 99

4. *Engineering Trade*

Class of Worker	Special allowance for a normal working day Rs. c.
Unskilled labourers	1 30
Semi-skilled workers, Grades I and II, Skilled workers, Kanganies and Watchers	1 40

Trade learners and apprentices—

1st year	0 42
2nd year	0 52
3rd year	0 79
4th year	0 94

5. *Printing Trade*

Class of Worker	Special allowance for the month Rs. c.
Class A worker other than learner or apprentice	77 0
Class B worker other than learner or apprentice	59 0
Class C Grade I worker other than learner or apprentice	50 0
Class C Grade II worker other than learner or apprentice	45 42
Class D worker other than learner or apprentice	41 0
Class E worker	38 79
Class F worker	21 20
Class G worker	41 0

	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	10.31	80.39	50.50	80.62
Class B learner or apprentice	.18	70.30	0.35	90.44	42. —
Class C Grade I learner or apprentice	.20	50.25	42.30	50.37	79. —
Class C Grade II learner or apprentice	.18	70.23	21.27	72.34	31. —
Class D learner or apprentice	.16	90.21	0.25	10.31	0. —

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	41 0	1 75
Class C	38 50	1 75
Class E	36 0	1 50
Classes G and H	37 40	1 75
Class K	28 25	1 3
Classes I and J	37 40	—

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—	
Grade II	1 30
Intermediate Grade, Grade I, Box makers and repairers (applicable to tea export trade only), and Watchers	1 40
B. Female workers not under 18 years of age	1 18
C. Workers (irrespective of sex) under 18 years of age—	
Over 14 years but under 15 years	0 82
Over 15 years but under 16 years	0 87
Over 16 years but under 17 years	0 92
Over 17 years but under 18 years	1 2

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 40	1 30
Grade III	1 30	1 18
Grade IV	1 40	—
	Irrespective of sex Rs. c.	
B. Young persons—		
Over 14 years and under 17 years	0 84	
17 years and over but under 18 years	1 2	

9. Cinema Trade

Class of Worker	Special allowance for the month Rs. c.
A. Non-Clerical—	
Unskilled workers	33 60
Semi-skilled workers	36 20
Skilled workers, Grades I and II	38 2
B. Clerical—	
Grade III	34 0
Grade II	37 0
Grade I	42 0

10. Dock, Harbour and Port Transport Trade

Class of Worker	Special allowance for the month Rs. c.
Manual Work—	
Special Grade	31 75
Skilled Grade	27 75
Semi-skilled Grade, Unskilled Grades I and II, and women workers	24 75
Non-manual Work—	
Special Grade	37 0
Grade I	27 75

11. Building Trade

Class of Worker	Special allowance for a normal working day Rs. c.
Unskilled labourers	1 30
Semi-skilled Grade II, Semi-skilled Grade I and Skilled workers	1 40

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Commissioner of Labour.

Colombo, 29th April, 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 April 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	75	73	70
A female labourer	60	58	56
A child labourer	60	58	56

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, April 29, 1954.