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THE COMMISSIONS OF INQUIRY ACT, No. 17 OF 1948

Order

BY virtue of the powers vested in me by section 12A of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, No. 17 of 1948 (inserted by section 2 of the Commissions of Inquiry (Amendment) Act, No. 8 of 1950), I, Herwald, Baron Soulbury, Governor-General, declare that the aforesaid section 12A shall apply in relation to the Commission, appointed to inquire into and report on the working of omnibus companies and such improvements therein as are considered necessary in the public interest, dated March 18, 1954, and published in *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 10,656 of March 19, 1954.

Colombo, May 26, 1954.

SOULBURY,
Governor-General.

L. D.—B. 80/44.

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 May, 1954, applicable to workers in each of the trades specified in the Schedule hereto is 101·7.

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

Department of Census and Statistics,
Colombo, May 27, 1954.

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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 May, 1954, being 101·7, the special allowance payable in respect of the month of June or for a normal working day in the month of June, 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	12
Female worker not under 15 years of age	0	84
Child worker	0	77

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	
	Coconut Growing Trade	Coconut Manufacturing Trade	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	
	Rs. c.	Rs. c.						
Male worker not under 18 years of age (including kangany)..	1 12	1 30	.. 24 70	.. 32 60	.. 40 50	.. 52 10	.. 64 20	
Female worker not under 18 years of age ..	0 84	0 97	.. 19 15	.. 30 75	.. 36 80	.. 45 54	—	
Worker (irrespective of sex) under 18 years of age ..	0 77	0 90	.. 19 15	.. 23 77	.. 28 39	.. 35 15	—	
			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 04	.. 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	—

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	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 18	1 38
Female worker not under 18 years of age ..	0 88	1 08
Worker (irrespective of sex) under 18 years of age..	0 81	1 01

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

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

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 06
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—	
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 04

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.	11. Building Trade		Special allowance for a normal working day Rs. c
			Class of Worker		
B. Young persons—					
Over 14 years and under 17 years ..		0 85			
17 years and over but under 18 years		1 04	Unskilled labourers ..	..	1 33
9. Cinema Trade			Semi-skilled Grade II, Semi-skilled Grade I and Skilled workers ..	..	1 43
Class of Worker		Special allowance for the month Rs. c.	C. B. KUMARASINHA, Acting Commissioner of Labour.		
Colombo, May 28, 1954.					
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.	Up- Country Cents	Mid- Country Cents	Low- Country Cents
Manual Work—					
Special Grade ..		32 50	A male labourer ..	77 ..	75 ..
Skilled Grade ..		28 50	A female labourer ..	62 ..	60 ..
Semi-skilled Grade, Unskilled Grades I and II, and women workers ..		25 50	A child labourer ..	62 ..	60 ..
Non-manual Work—					
Special Grade ..		38 0			
Grade I ..		28 50			

**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 May, 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 ..	77 ..	75 ..	72
A female labourer ..	62 ..	60 ..	58
A child labourer ..	62 ..	60 ..	58

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.

C. B. KUMARASINHA,
Acting Commissioner of Labour.

Department of Labour,
Colombo 3, May 28, 1954.

COLOMBO CONSUMERS' PRICE INDEX

	Unit	Average, 1952			May, 1954		
		Quantity	Price Cents	Value Rs.	Price Cents	Index	Value Rs.
FOOD				125.17		106.97	133.89
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		8.84
Meals purchased ..				8.24		104.56	8.62
Beverages				20.43		112.09	22.90
Tea, B. O. P. ..	lb.	.08	222	.18	248		.20
Tea, Dust	lb.	.57	200	1.14	228		1.30
Coffee Seed	lb.	.28	310	.87	361		1.01
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	96		.84
Milk Foods				2.19		100.65	2.20
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
Condiments				14.49		98.55	14.28
Chillies, dried ..	lb.	2 11	128	2.70	143		3.02
Coriander	lb.	1.32	63	.83	51		.67
Salt	lb.	9.33	6	.56	6		.56
Pepper	lb.	.19	504	.96	411		.78
Turmeric	lb.	.24	67	.16	79		.19
Garho	lb.	.39	106	.41	103		.40
Vinegar	bot.	.25	68	.17	66		.17
Mustard	lb.	.35	71	.25	132		.46
Spices				2.22		84.10	1.87
Ginger, Dried ..	lb.	† 16	226		155	68.58	
Cumin Seed	lb.	† 47	124		109	87.90	
Fennel Seed	lb.	† 21	124		99	79.84	
Mathe Seed	lb.	† 16	67		63	94.03	
Tamarind	lb.		34	.43	38	111.76	.48
Limes	each	46.50	3.89	1.81	3.62		1.68
Maldive Fish ..	lb.	1.05	124	1.30	148		1.55
Onions, Red	lb.	4.00	46	1.84	50		2.00
Onions, Bombay ..	lb.	2.12	40	.85	21		.45

* The quantity is 32.76 measures.

† The quantity is 36.27 lb.

‡ Weights.

	Unit	Average, 1952			May, 1954					
		Quantity	Price Cents	Value Rs.	Price Cents	Index	Value Rs.			
Pulses	2.29	..	77.55	..	1.78	
Vegetables and Fruits	14.28	..	95.59	..	13.65	
Group I (Non-Seasonal)	3.93	..	103.47	..	4.07	
Group II (Leaf)	1.52	..	106.78	..	1.62	
Group III (Seasonal)	6.58	..	85.49	..	5.63	
Yams21	..	140.38	..	.29	
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
Groceries58	..	98.33	..	.57	
Butter, Fresh lb.	..	‡ 55	..	301	..	..	289	..	96.01
Kraft Cheese tin	..	‡ 6	..	168	..	..	187	..	111.31
Jam, I. X. L. tin	..	‡ 10	..	141	..	..	149	..	105.67
Biscuits, H. & P. Cream Crackers No. 1 tan	..	‡ 29	..	321	..	..	313	..	97.51
Meat	7.72	..	101.63	..	7.85	
Beef (with bones) lb.	..	‡ 37	..	74	..	..	76	..	102.70
Beef (without bones) lb.	..	‡ 32	..	88	..	..	90	..	102.27
Mutton (with bones) lb.	..	‡ 20	..	200	..	..	200	..	100.00
Mutton (without bones) lb.	..	‡ 11	..	227	..	..	225	..	99.12
Fish, fresh and dried	20.62	..	92.73	..	19.12	
Fish, fresh	10.96	..	95.58	..	10.48	
Fish, dried	9.66	..	89.49	..	8.64	
Miscellaneous	6.38	..	107.52	..	6.86	
Coconuts each	..	30.32	..	12.34	..	3.74	..	15.00	..	4.55
Papadam lb.	86	..	.47	..	83	..	.45
Eggs each	..	3.85	..	20	..	.77	..	20	..	.77
Potatoes lb.	..	4.53	..	31	..	1.40	..	24	..	1.09
FUEL AND LIGHT	8.67	..	103.81	..	9.00	
Kerosene oil bot.	..	12.94	..	18	..	2.33	..	19	..	2.46
Firewood cwt.	..	3.11	..	185	..	5.75	..	188	..	5.85
Matches each	..	12.67	..	3.5	..	.44	..	3.5	..	.44
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HOUSE RENT	11.52	..	101.53	..	11.70	
CLOTHING	19.05	..	79.59	..	15.16	
Suits	‡ 14	100.26	
Shirts	‡ 13	101.05	
Sarongs	‡ 14	..	..	..	..	..	..	101.51	
Cambays	‡ 1	..	..	..	..	..	..	100.00	
Vettas	‡ 2	..	..	..	..	..	..	103.10	
Saroes	‡ 10	..	..	..	..	..	..	100.18	
Printed Fabrics	‡ 17	..	..	..	..	..	..	101.77	
Long Cloth	‡ 8	..	..	..	..	..	..	99.91	
Grey Cloth	‡ 1	..	..	..	..	..	..	100.46	
Banians	‡ 3	..	..	..	..	..	..	100.53	
Silk	‡ 12	..	..	..	..	..	..	101.51	
Towels	‡ 2	..	..	..	..	..	..	103.25	
Household Linen	‡ 3	..	..	..	..	..	..	102.96	
MISCELLANEOUS	37.83	..	94.71	..	35.83	
Betel and arecanuts	3.75	..	87.68	..	3.29	
Tobacco	6.41	..	104.00	..	6.67	
Hair dressing and toilet requisites	5.05	..	91.50	..	4.62	
Medicine	2.41	..	100.35	..	2.42	
Liquor	6.69	..	77.49	..	5.18	
Household Goods	1.33	..	104.72	..	1.39	
Newspapers	1.21	..	100.00	..	1.21	
Education	2.19	..	95.89	..	2.10	
Postage16	..	150.00	..	.24	
Laundry	3.39	..	100.00	..	3.39	
Sports and Clubs15	..	100.00	..	.15	
Entertainment	1.28	..	100.00	..	1.28	
Transport	3.81	..	102.14	..	3.89	
TOTAL (BUDGET)	202.24	205.58	
INDEX NUMBER (Average prices, 1952 = 100)	101.7	

‡ Weights.

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P. O. Box 563,
Colombo, May 27, 1954.

Miscellaneous Departmental Notices

PROCLAMATION

Hoof-and Mouth Disease

HOOF-AND-MOUTH disease having broken out among cattle in the Village Headmen's Divisions No. 247, Mahara Nugegoda, No. 246, Kendaliyaddapaluwa, No. 269, Biyanwila Ihala, No. 270/271, Makola, No. 275, Heiyantuduwa and No. 266/267, Talawatuhenpita, in the Divisional Revenue Officer's Division of Siyane Korale West (Adikari Pattu), Colombo District, I, Vidanelage Samson Manuel de Mel, Government Agent, Western Province, in terms of section 4 of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Ordinance (Chapter 327), hereby declare an "infected area" the whole of the Village Headmen's Divisions No. 247, Mahara Nugegoda, No. 246, Kendaliyaddapaluwa, No. 269, Biyanwila

Ihala, No. 270/271, Makola, No. 275, Heiyantuduwa and No. 266/267, Talawatuhenpita. The declaration will take effect from the date hereof.

2. Under section 7 of the same Ordinance, I proclaim that no movement of cattle or cart traffic between one village and another shall be allowed within the infected areas for a period of one month from the date of this proclamation.

3. The attention of all cattle owners and carters in the areas are drawn to the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Regulations, 1937, which lay down the actions which persons by law are required to take in an "Infected Area". Details of these regulations can be obtained from the office of the Divisional Revenue Officer, Siyane Korale West (Adikari Pattu), or from the Kachcheri.

The Kachcheri,
Colombo, May 26, 1954.

V. S. M. DE MEL,
Government Agent.