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### Government Notifications

#### COLOMBO CONSUMERS' PRICE INDEX

	Unit	Average, 1952			September, 1954		
		Quantity	Price Cents	Value Rs.	Price Cents	Index	Value Rs.
<b>FOOD</b>				125.17		105.30	131.80
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		112.43	22.97
Tea, B. O. P.	lb.	.08	222	.18	260		.21
Tea, Dust	lb.	.57	200	1.14	233		1.33
Coffee Seed	lb.	.28	310	.87	369		1.03
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		100.97	2.21
Milk Powder				.27		99.64	.27
Prepared Tea with milk	cup.		6	5.89	7	116.67	6.64
Aerated Water	doz. bot.		216	.50	216	100.00	.50
Condiments				14.49		101.17	14.66
Chillies, dried	lb.	2.11	128	2.70	143		3.12
Coriander	lb.	1.32	63	.83	52		.69
Salt	lb.	9.33	6	.56	6		.56
Pepper	lb.	.19	504	.96	317		.60
Turneric	lb.	.24	67	.16	95		.23
Garlic	lb.	.39	106	.41	94		.37
Vinegar	bot.	.25	68	.17	66		.17
Mustard	lb.	.35	71	.25	263		.92
Spices				2.22		84.52	1.88
Ginger, Dried	lb.	† 16	226		177		75.66
Cumin Seed	lb.	† 47	124		108		87.10
Fennel Seed	lb.	† 21	124		97		78.23
Mathe Seed	lb.	† 16	67		63		94.03
Tamarind	lb.		34	.43	40	117.65	.51
Limes	each	46.50	3.89	1.81	4.44		2.06
Maldiva Fish	lb.	1.05	124	1.30	150		1.68
Onions, Red	lb.	4.00	46	1.84	38		1.52
Onions, Bombay	lb.	2.12	40	.85	21		.45
Pulses				2.29		73.76	1.69
Vegetables and Fruits				14.28		89.64	12.80
Group I (Non-Seasonal)				3.93		100.83	3.96
Group II (Leaf)				1.52		98.07	1.49
Group III (Seasonal)				6.58		76.35	5.02
Yams				.21		138.46	.29
Fruits, Fresh				2.04		100.00	2.04

\* The quantity is 32.76 meas.

† The quantity is 36.27 lb.

‡ Weights.

	Unit	Average, 1952			September, 1954		
		Quantity	Price Cents	Value Rs.	Price Cents	Index	Value Rs.
<b>Fats and Oils</b>				2.98		106.90	3.19
Coconut oil	bot.	3.17	87	2.76	93		2.95
<b>Groceries</b>				.58		97.99	.57
Butter, Fresh	lb.	‡ 55	301		290	96.35	
Kraft Cheese	tin	‡ 6	168		182	108.33	
Jam, I. X. L.	tin	‡ 10	141		148	104.96	
Biscuits, H. & P. Cream Crackers No. 1	tin	‡ 29	321		310	96.57	
<b>Meat</b>				7.72		100.91	7.79
Beef (with bones)	lb.	‡ 37	74		77	104.05	
Beef (without bones)	lb.	‡ 32	88		88	100.00	
Mutton (with bones)	lb.	‡ 20	200		197	98.50	
Mutton (without bones)	lb.	‡ 11	227		221	97.36	
<b>Fish, fresh and dried</b>				20.62		87.88	18.12
Fish, fresh				10.96		82.78	9.07
Fish, dried				9.66		93.73	9.05
<b>Miscellaneous</b>				6.38		102.19	6.52
Coconuts	each	30.32	12.34	3.74	13.00		3.94
Papadam	lb.		86	.47	84	97.67	.46
Eggs	each	3.85	20	.77	21		.81
Potatoes	lb.	4.53	31	1.40	29		1.31
<b>FUEL AND LIGHT</b>				8.67		103.00	8.93
Kerosene oil	bot.	12.94	18	2.33	19		2.46
Firewood	cwt.	3.11	185	5.75	186		5.78
Matches	each	12.67	3.5	.44	3.5		.44
Electricity				.15		166.67	.25
<b>HOUSE RENT</b>				11.52		101.53	11.70
<b>CLOTHING</b>				19.05		79.73	15.19
Suits		‡ 14				100.08	
Shirts		‡ 13				97.38	
Sarongs		‡ 14				103.13	
Camboys		‡ 1				100.00	
Vestues		‡ 2				103.22	
Saroes		‡ 10				101.17	
Printed Fabrics		‡ 17				99.66	
Long Cloth		‡ 8				98.69	
Grey Cloth		‡ 1				100.91	
Banians		‡ 3				99.89	
Silk		‡ 12				100.67	
Towels		‡ 2				101.46	
Household Linen		‡ 3				99.91	
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>				37.83		94.26	35.66
Betel and arecanuts				3.75		89.02	3.34
Tobacco				6.41		104.00	6.67
Hair dressing and toilet requisites				5.05		91.62	4.63
Medicine				2.41		99.54	2.40
Liquor				6.69		77.49	5.13
Household Goods				1.33		99.12	1.32
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		98.80	3.76
<b>TOTAL (BUDGET)</b>				202.24			203.28
<b>INDEX NUMBER</b> (Average prices, 1952 = 100) ..						100.5	
‡ Weights.							

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Colombo, September 28, 1954.

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 September, 1954, applicable to workers in each of the trades specified in the Schedule hereto is 100.5.

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

Colombo, 28th September, 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 September, 1954, being 100.5, the special allowance payable in respect of the month of October or for a normal working day in the month of October, 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 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

	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	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—	
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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Commissioner of Labour.

Colombo, 29th September, 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 September, 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	73	71
A female labourer	61	59	56
A child labourer	61	59	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, 29th September, 1954.