

Message to Sri Lankans living abroad from Dr. P Nandalal Weerasinghe, Governor of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Currently Sri Lanka is facing social, economic and financial distress creating hardships to its people due to the long lasting impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, global political imbalances and macroeconomic imbalances of the country. Although the authorities are taking measures to address the above situation of the country, including taking steps to actively manage its debt obligations, finding immediate financial assistance from other nations and progressing at the discussions with the International Monetary Fund for a comprehensive programme, the positive impacts of such measures will benefit the people only in the medium to long term. Therefore, urgent measures are needed to enhance the foreign reserve position of the country to meet its day-to-day essential imports including food, fuel and medicine.

In this background, the Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL) warmly welcomes the communications made by the Sri Lankans living abroad, expressing their willingness to support the motherland at this crucial juncture by donating much needed foreign exchange to the foreign reserves of Sri Lanka.

The well-wishers may make foreign exchange transfers to the following accounts maintained at respective banks under the beneficial ownership of CBSL, and CBSL assures that such foreign currency donations will be utilized only for the purpose of importation of essentials such as food, fuel and medicine.

Currency	Bank Name	Beneficiary Account Name	Beneficiary Account Number	Other Information
US Dollar (USD)	Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas New York, NY USA	Central Bank of Sri Lanka	04015541	SWIFT: BKTRUS33XXX
Euro (EUR)	ODDO BHF Bank - Frankfurt Am Main Germany	Central Bank of Sri Lanka	0000739854	SWIFT: BHFBDDEFF500
Sterling Pound (GBP)	Bank of Ceylon (UK) LTD London, UK	Central Bank of Sri Lanka	88001249	Sort Code :40-50-56 IBAN : GB89BCEY40505688001249 SWIFT: BCEYGB2LXXX

Well-wishers are also requested to send an image of the payment confirmation to fdacc@cbsl.lk for reconciliation purposes, and any enquiries can be made through same email address. Upon verification, each payment will be acknowledged by email.

In order to maintain the transparency of collection and utilization of such foreign currency resources, a Committee consisting three members from CBSL has been appointed, and the Committee will publish the financial statements of the foreign currency funds received from the well-wishers into the said accounts on a quarterly basis via the official website of CBSL, while the receipt and utilization of funds of these accounts will be subject to periodic independent audit.

Note: The above replaces the message which was published in the CBSL website on 12.04.2022

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