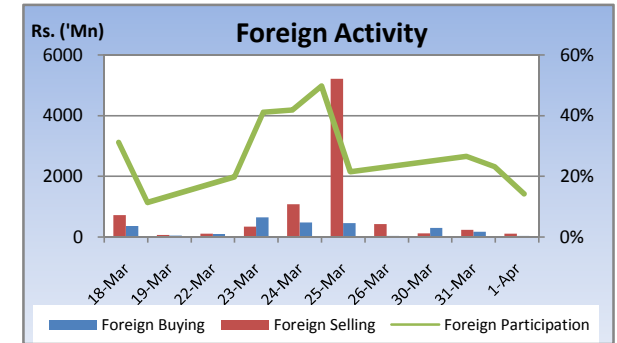
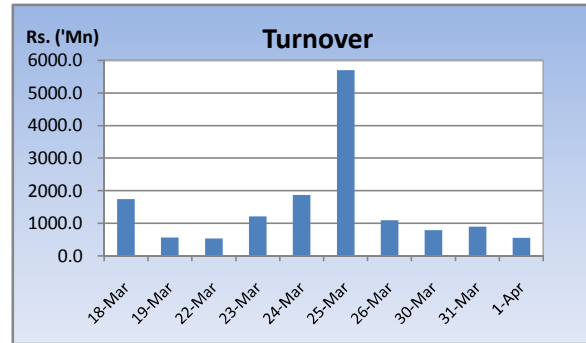
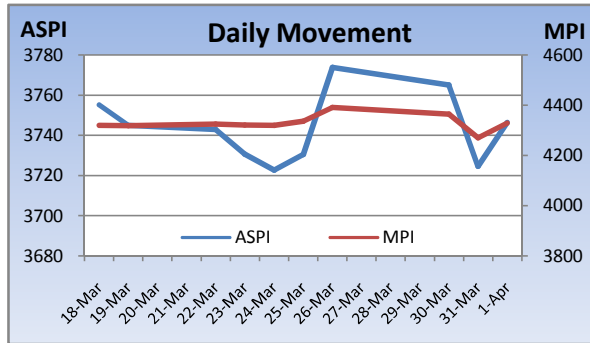


# Weekly Market Update

Week Ending: April 01<sup>st</sup>, 2010



Market Statistics	Current	Previous	Change	Top 5 Gainers	Previous	Current	Change	High	Low	Volume	Turnover (Rs. 'Mn)
ASPI	3746.50	3773.76	-0.72%	CONVENIENCE FOOD	125.25	144.50	15.37%	144.50	144.50	100	14,450
MPI	4328.70	4391.22	-1.42%	ABANS	126.00	144.75	14.88%	144.75	130.00	200	27,875
MARKET CAP. (Rs. 'Bn)	1218.41	1221.91	-0.29%	KALAMAZOO	850.00	945.50	11.24%	1,000.00	900.00	4,600	4,190,000
MARKET PER(x)	18.47	18.53	-0.32%	COMMERCIAL BANK[NON VOTING]	143.00	158.00	10.49%	162.00	143.00	148,100	22,382,635
MARKET PBV(x)	1.86	1.87	-0.53%	ALUFAB	38.25	42.00	9.80%	42.00	40.00	800	34,200
<b>Average Daily</b>				<b>Top 5 Losers</b>							
TURNOVER	756.27	2088.30	-63.8%	KELANI CABLES	222.00	105.50	-52.48%	115.00	103.00	700	76,500
VOLUME	14.43	25.58	-43.6%	ENVI. RESOURCES	241.75	115.25	-52.33%	247.00	100.00	1,362,800	188,724,552
FOREIGN PURCHASES	175.18	351.96	-50.2%	PAN ASIA	19.00	16.50	-13.16%	19.50	16.00	565,200	10,372,802
FOREIGN SALES	160.16	1438.04	-88.9%	ON'ALLY	42.00	37.00	-11.90%	37.00	37.00	400	14,800
NET FOREIGN	15.02	-1086.08	101.4%	PEOPLE'S L FIN	42.75	37.75	-11.70%	42.50	37.50	6,000	243,315
FOREIGN PARTICIPATION	22.2%	42.9%	-48.3%	<b>Top 5 by Turnover</b>							
<b>Sector Summary</b>				JKH	186.00	185.50	-0.27%	189.75	182.00	1,979,700	365,555,413
INFORMATION TECHNOLO	83.45	81.47	2.43%	COMMERCIAL BANK	198.75	214.75	8.05%	220.00	196.00	1,735,200	353,273,557
BEVERAGE FOOD AND TOB.	6,481.12	6,358.38	1.93%	ENVI. RESOURCES	241.75	115.25	-52.33%	247.00	100.00	1,362,800	188,724,552
BANKS FINANCE AND INSUI	7,356.59	7,262.42	1.30%	SEYLAN BANK[NON VOTING]	26.25	25.75	-1.90%	26.75	25.50	3,477,600	91,807,450
HEALTH CARE	406.45	402.95	0.87%	HNB[NON VOTING]	136.00	137.00	0.74%	140.00	132.25	547,800	75,514,774
TRADING	8,187.85	8,140.79	0.58%	<b>Top 5 by Volume</b>							
SERVICES	14,331.16	14,588.52	-1.76%	SEYLAN BANK[NON VOTING]	26.25	25.75	-1.90%	26.75	25.50	3,477,600	91,807,450
POWER AND ENERGY	85.47	87.30	-2.10%	NAWALOKA	3.40	3.50	2.94%	3.60	3.40	2,405,300	8,472,052
LAND AND PROPERTY	359.00	368.27	-2.52%	RENUKA AGRI	3.30	3.30	0.00%	3.50	3.30	2,327,000	7,769,310
OIL PALMS	40,490.89	41,715.53	-2.94%	JANASHAKTHI INS.	14.25	14.25	0.00%	14.75	14.00	2,269,800	32,634,550
INVESTMENT TRUSTS	28,329.30	36,495.07	-22.37%	JKH	186.00	185.50	-0.27%	189.75	182.00	1,979,700	365,555,413

## Market Review

Market activity dried up this week with it being a short week and the approach of the festive season. With the heavy fall of the speculative counter Env. Resources a significant decline of the indices were observed. Investor sentiment was positive this week with buying interest in the blue chip counters strengthening towards the latter part of the week. The benchmark ASPI declined 27.26 points or 0.72% week on week while the more sensitive MPI reported a week on week declined of 62.52 points or 1.42%.

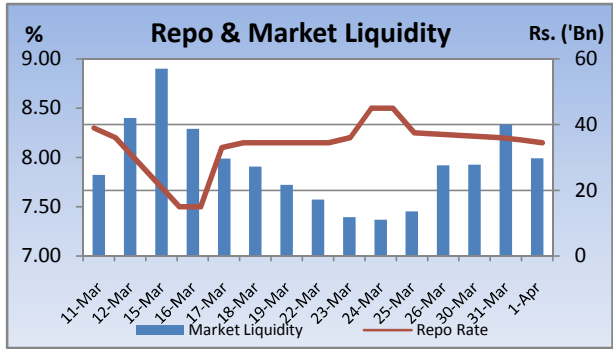
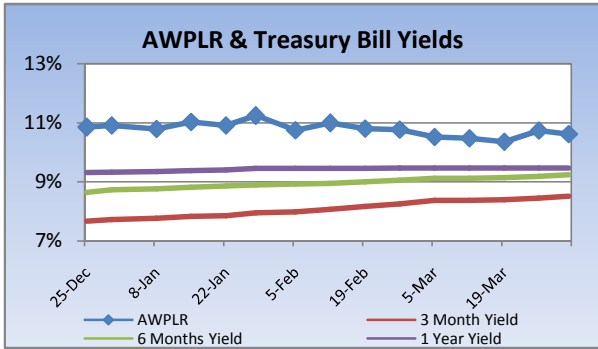
Compared to previous week's closing levels the market declined Rs.3.4 billion approximately or 0.29% in value this week to close at Rs.1218.41 Bn on Thursday.

Total market turnover for the week amounted to Rs.2.7 Bn with an average daily turnover of Rs.756m. Turnover for the week witnessed 78% decrease compared to the last week's market turnover of Rs.10.4 Bn.

Heavily traded shares of the week under review were Seylan Bank (X) and Nawaloka with the former being highest in terms of volume for the week, trading over 3m shares. The counter declined 1.9% during the week in value on a Week on Week basis. JKH and Commercial Bank contributed heavily to the week's market turnover, whilst the former being the highest contributor to the week's market turnover with Rs.365m and declining 0.3% in value during the week.

FII participation gained to 22% of total turnover this week, from 43% reported last week. FII interest was negative during the week with a net inflow of Rs.45m, a 101% increase compared to last week's net outflow of Rs.5.4Bn.

Company	Price	P/BV	PER 10E	PER 11E
<b>BANKING</b>				
COMMERCIAL BANK	214.75	1.90	12.99	12.14
DFCC	182.50	1.22	10.19	10.45
HNB	188.00	1.78	9.88	11.96
NDB	208.00	1.24	8.17	9.26
NTB	34.50	1.26	8.43	7.02
SAMPATH BANK	222.50	1.29	8.36	7.42
<b>BEVERAGE, FOOD &amp; TOBACCO</b>				
CTC	250.25	14.86	11.39	9.70
DISTILLERIES	118.00	1.49	12.46	10.63
<b>CHEMICALS &amp; PHARMACEUTICALS</b>				
CIC	68.00	1.30	10.72	10.20
<b>CONSTRUCTION &amp; ENGINEERING</b>				
DOCKYARD	283.75	3.31	9.02	7.83
<b>DIVERSIFIED HOLDINGS</b>				
AITKEN SPENCE	1,378.25	2.05	17.27	14.24
CARSONS	544.75	2.76	14.88	13.30
HAYLEYS	223.00	1.28	16.76	19.63
HEMAS HOLDINGS	120.00	1.64	15.07	14.26
JOHN KEELLS HOLDINGS	185.50	2.42	34.85	26.26
<b>HOTELS &amp; TRAVELS</b>				
AITKEN SPENCE HOTEL HOLDINGS	385.75	3.10	45.90	21.12
ASIAN HOTELS AND PROPERTIES	130.75	2.39	55.03	24.35
KEELLS HOTELS	18.25	2.84	(104.35)	33.84
<b>MANUFACTURING</b>				
ACL CABLES	75.00	1.20	50.47	17.62
CHEVRON LUBRICANTS	169.50	7.14	13.61	14.50
LANKA TILES	87.00	2.03	12.03	8.63
ROYAL CERAMICS	113.00	1.69	6.82	5.57
TOKYO CEMENT	28.00	1.46	93.33	17.50
<b>PLANTATIONS</b>				
AGALAWATTE	29.00	1.42	7.80	9.54
KEGALLE	47.75	0.81	5.28	4.63
KELANI VALLEY	51.50	1.12	(41.09)	5.56
<b>POWER &amp; ENERGY</b>				
LANKA IOC	17.75	1.23	(7.38)	22.78
<b>TELECOMMUNICATIONS</b>				
DIALOG	7.00	2.03	(4.67)	16.88

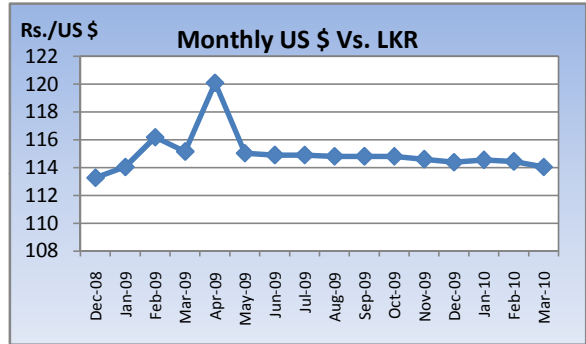


**Currency Board**

	Current	Previous	Change
<b>USD EXCHANGE RATE</b>			
- AVERAGE MIDDLE RATE	114.02	114.16	-0.12%
- FORWARD 1 MONTH	114.66	114.75	-0.08%
- FORWARD 3 MONTHS	115.89	115.81	0.07%
<b>BRITISH POUND</b>	173.27	169.72	2.09%
<b>EURO</b>	154.03	152.09	1.27%
<b>JAPANESE YEN</b>	1.22	1.23	-1.09%
<b>INDIAN RUPEE</b>	2.55	2.51	1.26%
<b>AUSTRALIAN DOLLAR</b>	104.48	103.69	0.76%
<b>SINGAPORE DOLLAR</b>	81.55	81.15	0.50%

**Treasury Bill Auction**

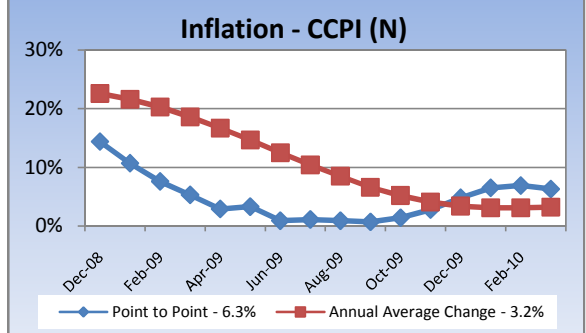
Maturity	Weighted Average Yield			Amount Offered Rs. ('Mn)	Bids Received Rs. ('Mn)	Amount Accepted Rs. ('Mn)
	Current Week	Previous Week	Change Basis Points			
3 MONTHS	8.52%	8.45%	7.00	2,500	3,397	1,752
6 MONTHS	9.24%	9.19%	5.00	3,500	5,213	2,953
12 MONTHS	9.47%	9.47%	0.00	4,000	4,900	721
				<b>10,000</b>	<b>13,510</b>	<b>5,426</b>



**Interest Rates**

	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
COMMERCIAL BANK AVERAGE WEIGHTED PRIME LENDING RATE [AWPLR]	10.62	10.74	19.16
OVERNIGHT RATE ON REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS	7.50	7.50	10.25
SRI LANKA INTER BANK OFFER RATE [SLIBOR]			
- OVERNIGHT	9.07	9.14	11.33
- 7 DAYS	9.30	9.41	12.94
- 1 MONTH	9.50	9.61	14.58
- 3 MONTHS	9.73	9.83	15.60
- 6 MONTHS	9.98	10.12	16.67
- 1 YEAR	10.22	10.38	17.77
	<b>March 2010</b>	<b>Month Ago</b>	<b>Year Ago</b>
COMMERCIAL BANK AVERAGE WEIGHTED DEPOSIT RATE [AWDR]	7.22	7.40	11.53
COMMERCIAL BANK AVERAGE WEIGHTED FIXED DEPOSIT RATE [AWFDR]	9.71	9.99	16.32

**Inflation**

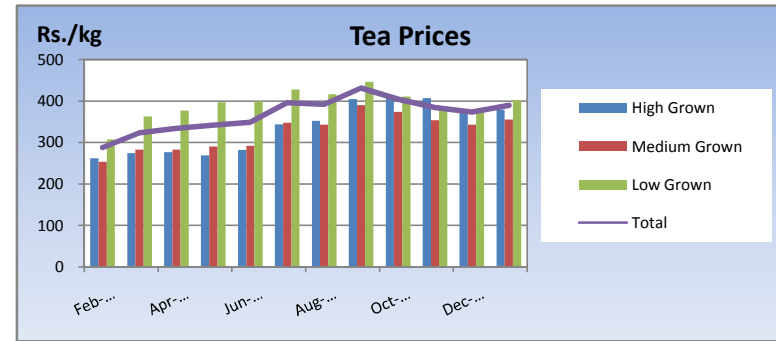


Point to Point - 6.3%  
Annual Average Change - 3.2%

## Tea Market

### Colombo Tea Auction

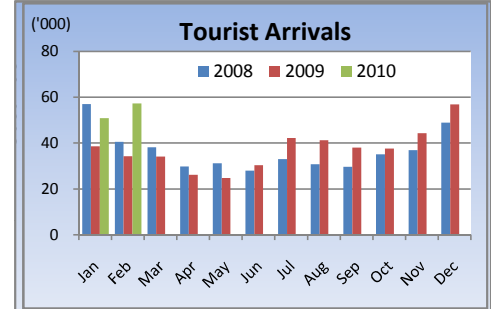
SALES (kg)	Current	Previous	Change	Year to date	Year to date	Change
	Sale 13-2010	Sale 12-2010		2010	2009	
HIGH GROWN	1,284,535	1,410,033	-8.90%	18,348,343	14,370,184	27.68%
MEDIUM GROWN	874,821	985,904	-11.27%	12,631,279	10,195,926	23.89%
LOW GROWN	3,532,142	4,100,510	-13.86%	53,742,542	38,353,765	40.12%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,691,498</b>	<b>6,496,447</b>	<b>-12.39%</b>	<b>84,722,164</b>	<b>62,919,875</b>	<b>34.65%</b>



PRICES (Rs./kg)	2009	Jan-10	Feb-10	Sale 13-2010	Sale 12-2010	Change
HIGH GROWN	321.28	378.77	351.44	354.46	354.43	0.01%
MEDIUM GROWN	316.79	354.84	344.12	347.39	347.07	0.09%
LOW GROWN	388.44	401.89	382.90	400.53	401.71	-0.29%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>362.70</b>	<b>389.77</b>	<b>369.65</b>	<b>381.97</b>	<b>383.15</b>	<b>-0.31%</b>

## Tourism

SRI LANKA ARRIVALS	2010	2009	Change
	February	57,300	34,169
Year to date	108,057	72,637	48.76%
Occupancy	Nov-09	Nov-08	Change
Foreign Guest Night	57.4%	45.5%	26.15%
	267,874	221,049	21.18%

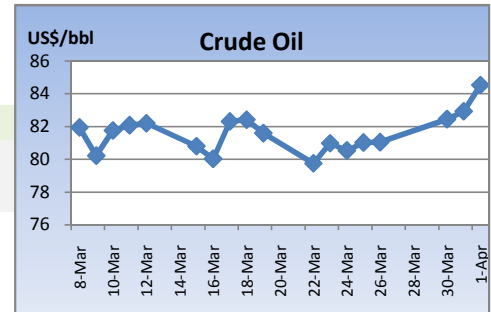


PRODUCTION (kg) BY ELEVATION	February			Year to date		
	2010	2009	Change	2010	2009	Change
HIGH GROWN	5,373,023	4,097,599	31.13%	12,099,824	9,289,376	30.25%
MEDIUM GROWN	3,754,110	2,231,473	68.23%	7,755,486	5,154,452	50.46%
LOW GROWN	14,380,879	6,552,619	119.47%	32,115,045	16,322,472	96.75%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23,508,012</b>	<b>12,881,691</b>	<b>82.49%</b>	<b>51,970,355</b>	<b>30,766,300</b>	<b>68.92%</b>

## Crude Oil

### NYMEX CRUDE OIL FUTURES

US\$/BBL	1-Apr	26-Mar	Change
US\$/BBL	84.53	81.05	4.29%



PRODUCTION (kg) BY CATEGORY	February			Year to date		
	2010	2009	Change	2010	2009	Change
ORTHODOX	22,074,269	11,871,994	85.94%	48,829,362	28,345,450	72.27%
CTC	1,224,659	914,875	33.86%	2,731,897	2,160,013	26.48%
<b>TOTAL BLACK TEA</b>	<b>23,298,928</b>	<b>12,786,869</b>	<b>82.21%</b>	<b>51,561,259</b>	<b>30,505,463</b>	<b>69.02%</b>
GREEN TEA	209,085	94,821	120.50%	409,096	260,838	56.84%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23,508,013</b>	<b>12,881,690</b>	<b>82.49%</b>	<b>51,970,355</b>	<b>30,766,301</b>	<b>68.92%</b>

ANALYSIS OF TOTAL TEA PRODUCTION	February 2010	Year to date 2010
HIGH GROWN	22.86%	23.28%
MEDIUM GROWN	15.97%	14.92%
LOW GROWN	61.17%	61.79%
<b>CTC AS A % OF BLACK TEA PRODUCTION</b>	<b>5.26%</b>	<b>5.30%</b>

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