

Indices	9-Nov-23	8-Nov-23	Change	Change %
ASPI	10,889.48	10,938.05	-48.57	-0.44%
S&P SL20	3,088.93	3,105.19	-16.26	-0.52%
AWLI	963.62	953.80	9.82	1.03%

News Updates

Budget Proposals 2024 to restart construction industry

The Budget 2024 is being presented at a critical time for our country. The country is still battling with the unprecedented economic crisis which had a profound negative impact on our economy. However, the situation has been slowly, but steadily improving as a result of the progressive and active role played by the current Government in winning support from the IMF to help us in tiding over the crisis and the progress made in negotiating with creditors to restructure the loans. (Source: ft.lk)

Port City Colombo Signs MoU to Attract Investors at “Invest Sri Lanka – Retire Sri

“Invest Sri Lanka – Retire Sri Lanka” – an event focused on attracting investment to Sri Lanka was held in Singapore, recently. The event served as the backdrop for the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), between Port City Colombo and the Singapore Sri Lanka Business Association. (Source: adaderana.lk)

“SriLankan to bounce back to pre COVID- revenue levels”

Speaking to Daily News Business during the sidelines of the WTM here he said that this could be achieved before the end of this year. He also said that there is strong demand for SriLankan since it's the only airline that offers direct flights to Colombo and the fact that they are offering very competitive airfares. He said that they currently operate 9 flights per week with two each on Saturday and Sunday. He however said that the passenger's figures are moving up steadily and the numbers would be matched to pre COVID levels early next year. (Source: dailynews.lk)

SL targets 5 Mn tourists by 2029

Sri Lanka Tourism Promotion Bureau (SLTPB) Chairman has laid out a five-year recovery plan targetting five million tourist arrivals to the country by 2029. He praised Sri Lanka's “amazing comeback” following a challenging period grappling with the after-effects of Covid-19 and the country's worst economic crisis since its independence in 1948. Visitor numbers to Sri Lanka dropped to 700,000 last year – a substantial decrease compared to the country's best-ever year in 2018, when 2.3 million travellers visited the island country in South Asia. But the Chairman remained “confident” Sri Lanka would reach its target of 1.5 million for 2023, claiming the destination had already nearly surpassed 1.2 million visitors. (Source: themorning.lk)

Asia Markets Feel The Pain After Treasuries Slide: Markets Wrap

Shares in Asia fell after Jerome Powell warned interest rates may have to climb further, stunting a rally in stocks and bonds and sending investors back to the dollar. (Source: bloomberg.com)

Cash Dividends (LKR)

No	Ticker Code	DPS	Final/Interim	XD	Date of Payment	Total Payout
1	SDF.N	0.75	Final dividend	27-Oct-23	16-Nov-23	112,197,039
2	GEST.N	3.00	First interim	27-Oct-23	16-Nov-23	7,973,436
3	CFVF.N	12.25	First interim	27-Oct-23	14-Nov-23	4,961,250,000
4	BFL.N	3.30	First interim	30-Oct-23	17-Nov-23	58,080,000
5	NHL.N	1.50	First interim	31-Oct-23	20-Nov-23	335,598,254
6	LLUB.N	4.00	Second interim	3-Nov-23	23-Nov-23	960,000,000
7	CARG.N	4.50	First interim	7-Nov-23	27-Nov-23	1,159,549,790
8	CTHR.N	3.50	First interim	7-Nov-23	27-Nov-23	704,924,423
9	DIST.N	1.43	First interim	14-Nov-23	1-Dec-23	6,578,000,000
10	MELS.N	4.27	First interim	14-Nov-23	4-Dec-23	4,976,245,497
11	JKH.N	0.50	First interim	16-Nov-23	6-Dec-23	693,442,516
Total Payout						20,547,260,954

Interest Rates

Treasury Bills	8-Nov-23	1-Nov-23	% Change
91-Days	15.64%	15.93%	-0.29%
182-Days	14.81%	14.93%	-0.12%
364-Days	12.99%	13.02%	-0.03%
	3-Nov-23	27-Oct-23	% Change
Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR)	13.88%	13.86%	0.02%

Forex Rates

Currency Pair	9-Nov-23		8-Nov-23		Change	
	Buy	Sell	Buy	Sell	Buy	Sell
AUD/LKR	205.43	215.85	206.00	216.36	0.28%	0.23%
CNY/LKR	43.53	46.40	43.91	46.41	0.87%	0.01%
EUR/LKR	344.51	359.27	343.04	357.88	-0.43%	-0.39%
GBP/LKR	395.84	411.39	395.05	410.58	-0.20%	-0.20%
JPY/LKR	2.13	2.22	2.13	2.22	0.05%	0.08%
USD/LKR	323.16	333.64	322.51	332.79	-0.20%	-0.25%

Global Commodity Prices

Commodity	9-Nov-23	8-Nov-23	% Change
Oil-Crude	75.94	75.55	0.52%
Oil-Brent	80.36	79.75	0.76%
Gold	1,963.40	1,953.80	0.49%
Silver	22.77	22.47	1.33%
Copper	3.63	3.63	0.12%
Aluminum	2,238.50	2,260.00	-0.95%
Gas - Propane Aramco	613.45	605.78	1.27%

International Stock Market Updates

Index	Market	9-Nov-23	8-Nov-23	% Change
Bursa Malaysia	KL	11,659.09	11,698.70	-0.34%
Hang Seng	HK	17,236.00	17,521.00	-1.63%
Nikkei 225	TYO	32,443.50	32,480.00	-0.11%
Shanghai Composite	SS	3,039.66	3,054.68	-0.49%
Straits Times Index (STI)	SGX	3,109.52	3,141.64	-1.02%
BSE Sensex 30	BO	64,666.86	64,975.61	-0.48%
Nifty 50	NS	19,351.10	19,418.00	-0.34%
FTSE 100	LON	7,455.67	7,401.72	0.73%
Dow Jones Industrial Average	NYSE	33,891.94	34,112.27	-0.65%
Nasdaq 100	NASDAQ	13,521.45	13,650.41	-0.94%
S&P 500	NYSE	4,347.35	4,382.78	-0.81%

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