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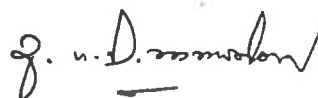
This is the 6th publication on retail prices of selected commodities in Colombo City. This is in addition to the "Annual Bulletin on selected Retail and Producer Prices" for all island published by the Department of Census and Statistics. Price information given here relates to consumption Expenditure on cereals, Vegetables and other Food and Miscellaneous items and is based on data compiled on a regular weekly and monthly basis and analysed for a variety of statistical purposes. Special reference is given to the compilation of the Colombo Consumers' Price Index.

The statistical data series presented here covers broadly, the period January 1996 to December 1996 with comparable figures given for corresponding months in all tables. Graphical presentations on movement of quartely average prices of selected items for the given period are also shown in this bulletin.

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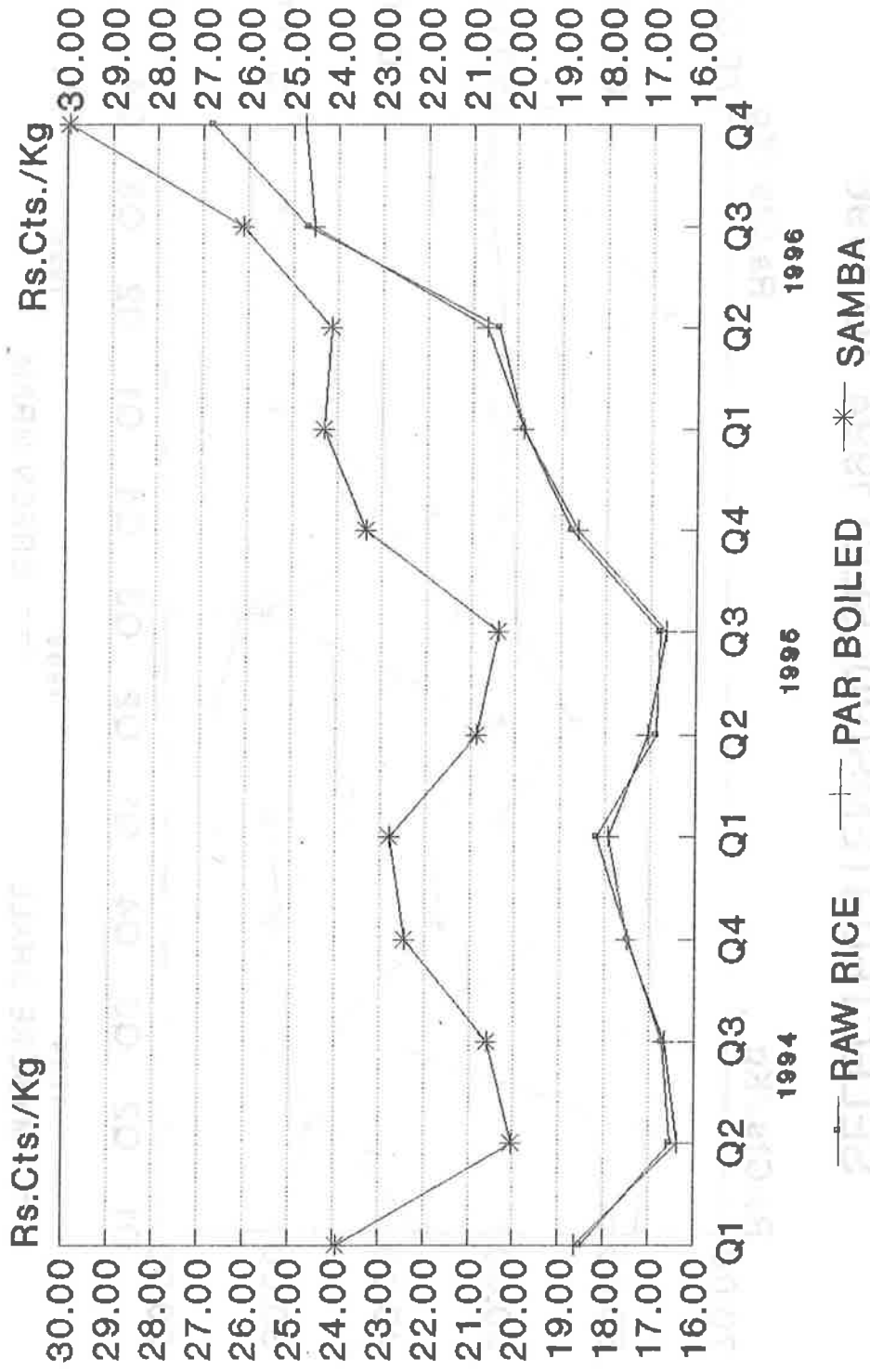
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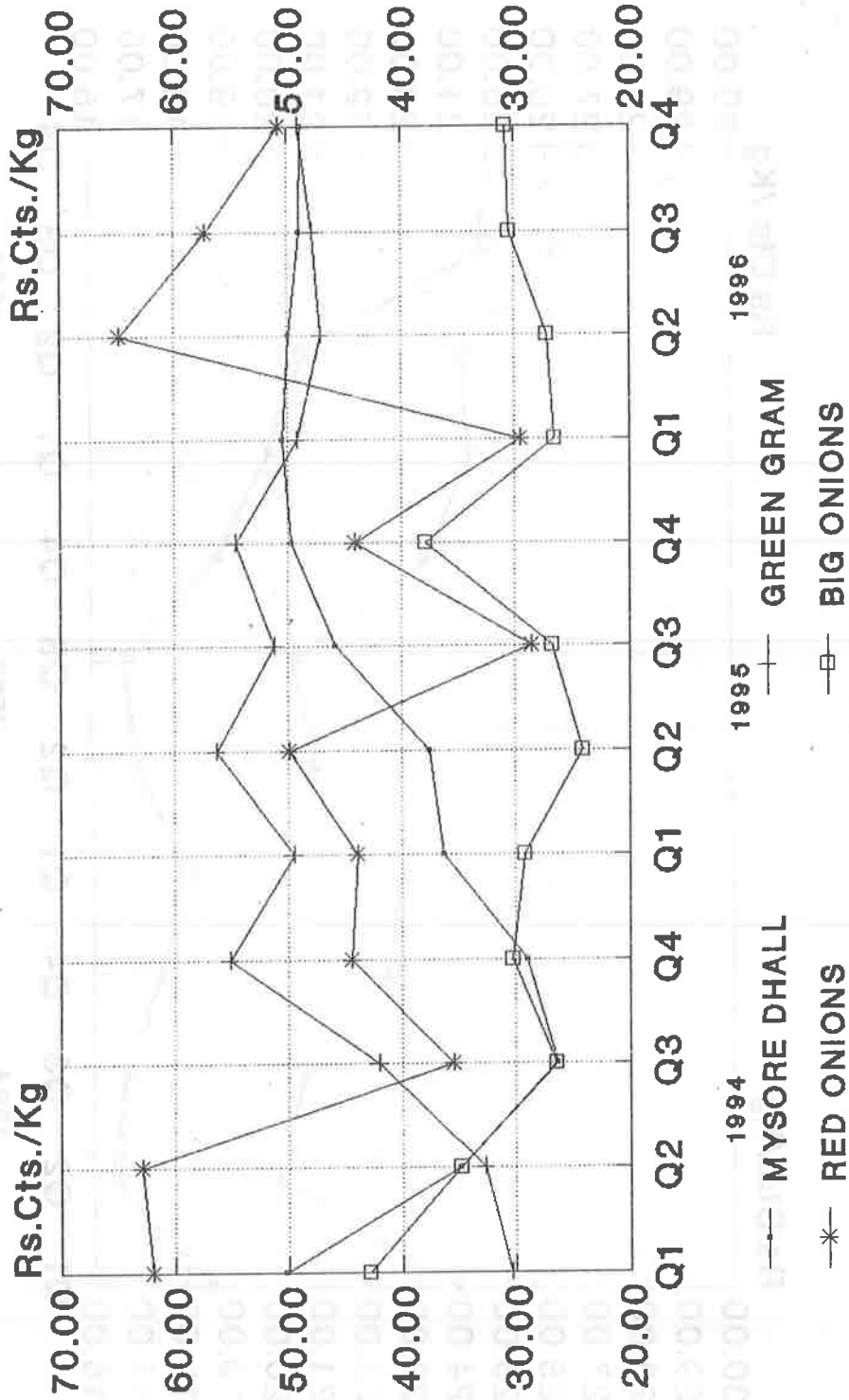
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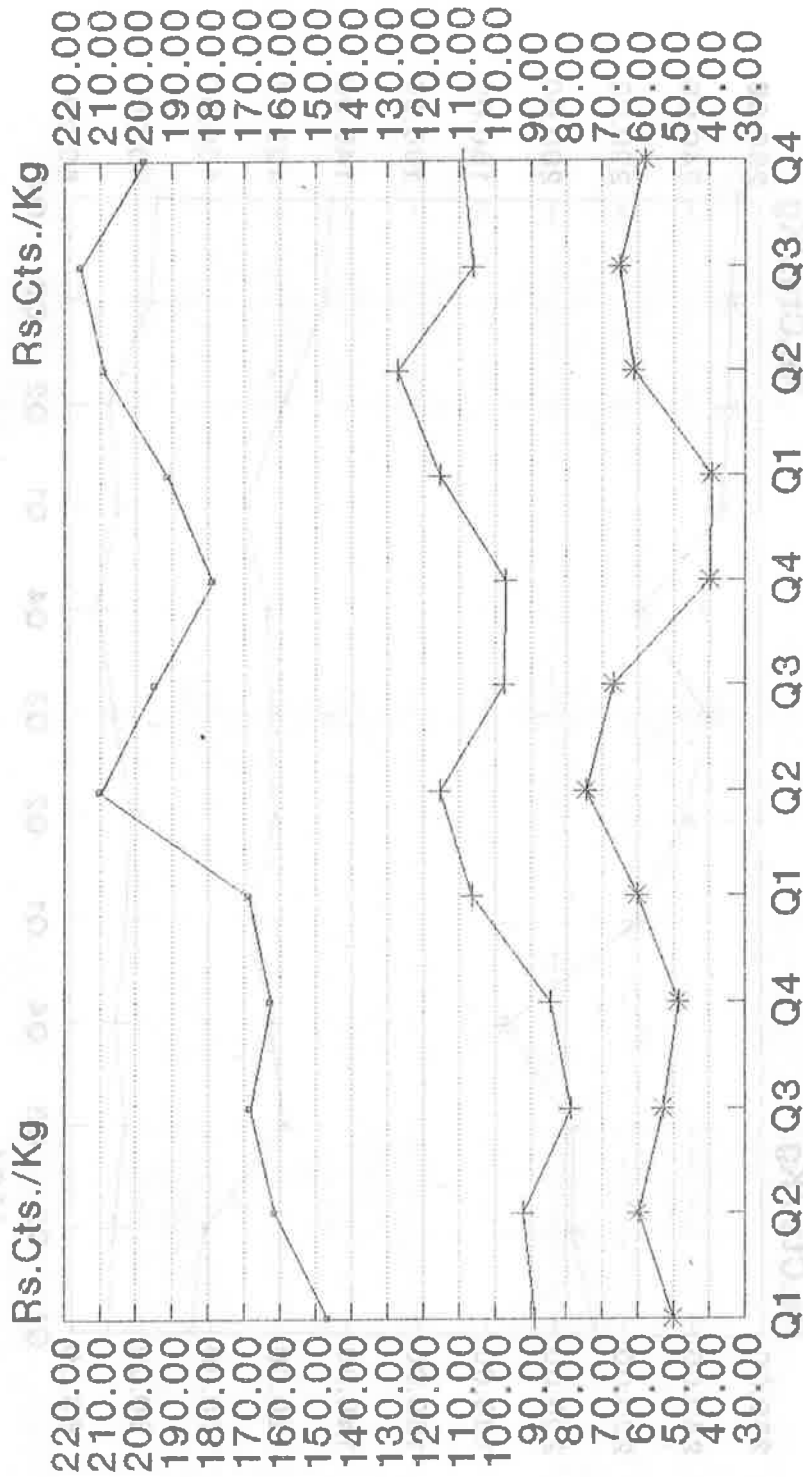


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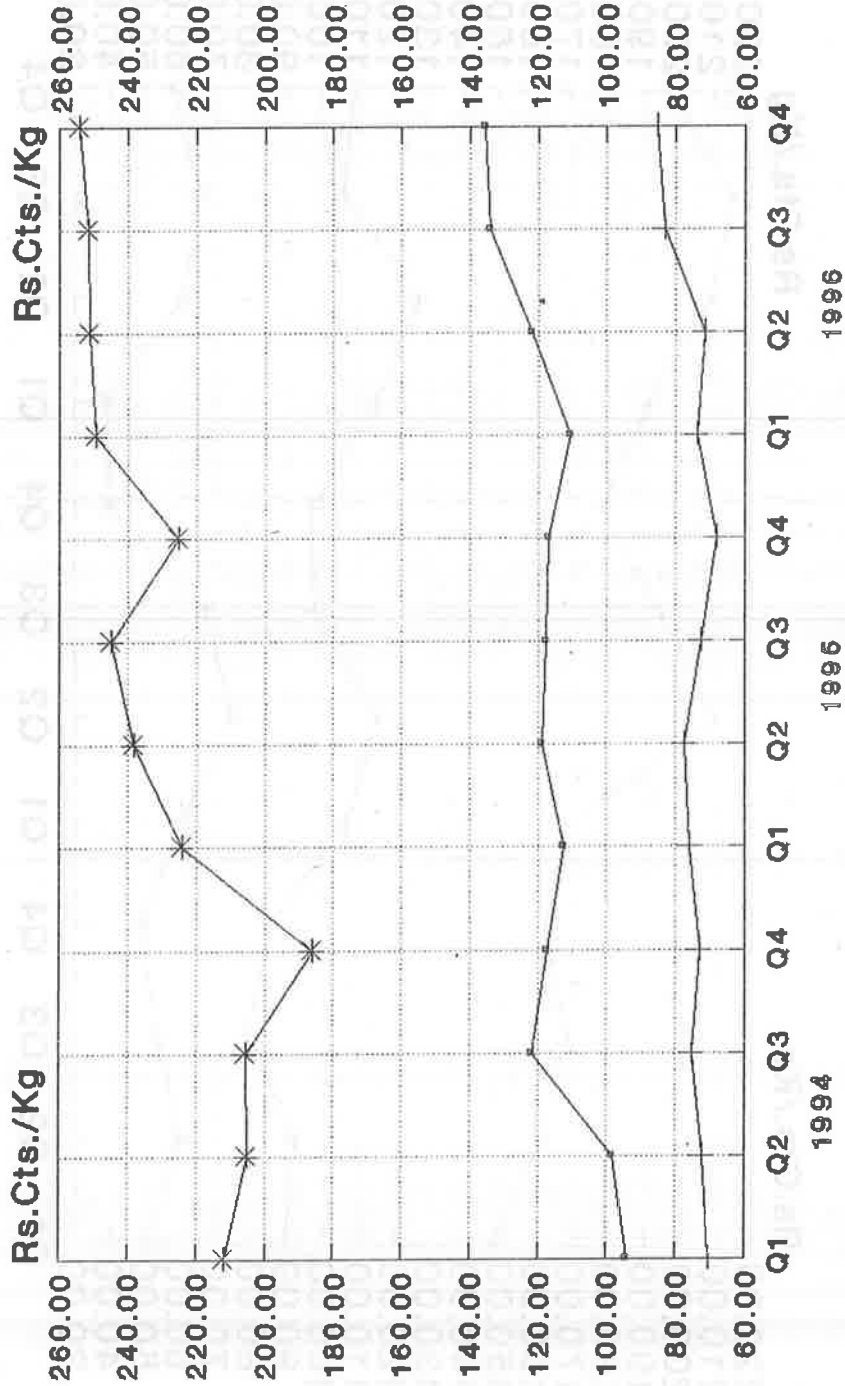


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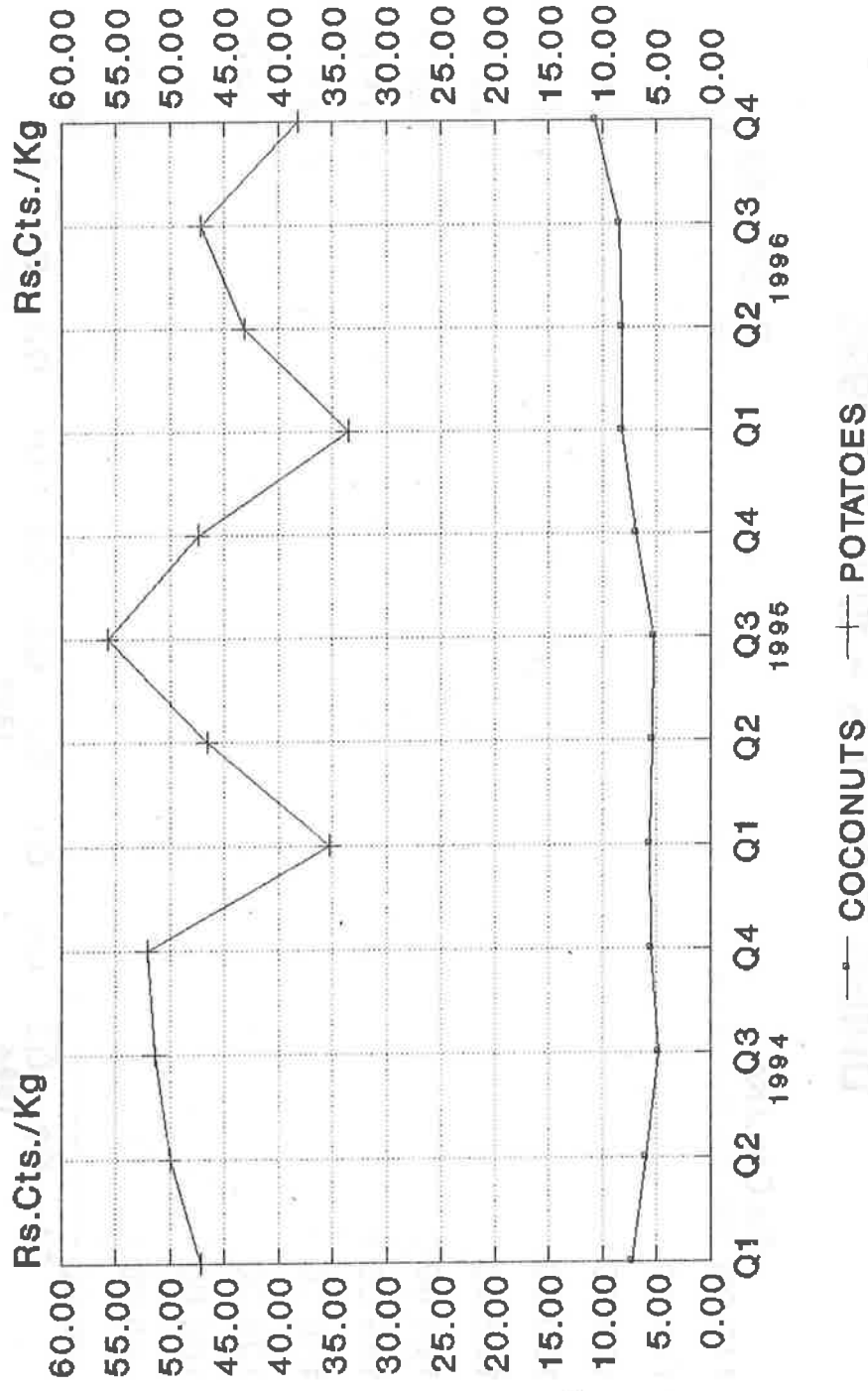


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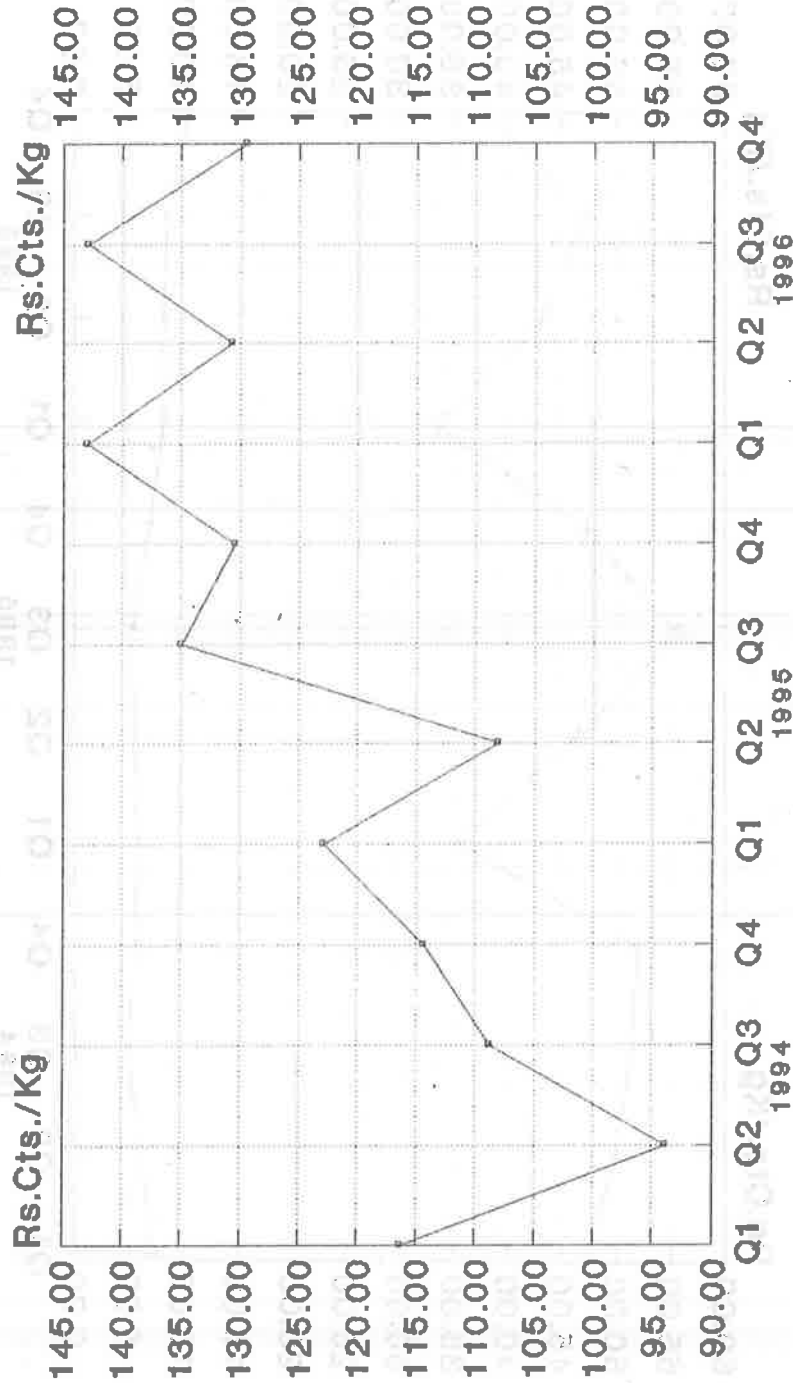


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OPEN MARKET AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

JANUARY 95 & 96

(COLOMBO CITY)

Item	Unit	Average Price (Rs.Cts)					1996 Jan.	Annual % Change (Pt. to Pt.) 96/95
		1995	Januaruy 96					
		Jan.	1st Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week		
RICE								
RAW	Kg.	18.47	19.89	19.78	19.72	19.55	19.73	6.8%
PAR BOILED	Kg.	18.22	19.79	19.54	19.59	19.43	19.58	7.5%
SAMBA	Kg.	23.28	24.16	24.01	24.16	23.95	24.07	3.4%
WHEAT FLOUR	Kg.	7.51	12.50	12.50	12.47	12.43	12.48	66.1%
BREAD	450 gm.	3.50	5.14	5.14	5.11	5.00	5.10	45.7%
DRIED CHILLIES	Kg.	125.39	155.68	163.99	165.18	171.49	164.08	30.9%
PULSES								
MYSORE DHALL	Kg.	34.99	51.21	49.88	50.11	51.71	50.73	45.0%
GREEN GRAM	Kg.	46.00	50.61	50.07	50.36	49.89	50.23	9.2%
COW-PEA DHALL	Kg.							
COW-PEA WHOLE	Kg.	34.62	41.00	40.50	39.63	41.60	40.68	17.5%
SUGAR	Kg.	32.06	31.86	31.61	31.82	31.86	31.79	-0.9%
RED ONIONS	Kg.	63.27	43.75	35.43	32.12	29.07	35.09	-44.5%
BIG ONIONS	Kg.	41.15	36.39	34.21	32.43	27.25	32.57	-20.8%
MEAT								
BEEF	Kg.	82.59	95.71	97.86	95.00	94.64	95.80	16.0%
MUTTON	Kg.	148.75	176.00	182.00	178.75	181.67	179.60	20.7%
PORK	Kg.	80.00	90.00	86.67	80.00	83.33	85.00	6.3%
FRESH FISH								
PARAW	Kg.	179.52	195.00	215.83	193.33	186.67	197.71	10.1%
MULLET	Kg.	147.50		172.00	157.50	151.00	160.17	8.6%
BALAYA	Kg.	111.34	122.50	136.00	121.50	100.00	120.00	7.8%
SHARK	Kg.	99.17	105.63	102.50	97.86	102.14	102.03	2.9%
SALAYA	Kg.	63.17	38.33	42.14	32.93	34.71	37.03	-41.4%
PARATI	Kg.	129.69	145.42	146.67	129.00	132.50	138.40	6.7%
SMALL MULLET	Kg.	102.75	108.00	101.43	100.00	109.50	104.73	1.9%
DRIED FISH								
KATTA	Kg.	222.05	229.29	232.14	240.71	238.57	235.18	5.9%
SPRATTS	Kg.	111.07	109.29	109.46	112.14	107.14	109.51	-1.4%
SALAYA	Kg.	75.21	73.33	74.00	80.00	70.00	74.33	-1.2%
COCONUTS	Each	5.65	7.39	7.54	7.71	7.96	7.65	35.4%
EGGS	Each	2.74	2.84	2.73	2.71	2.61	2.72	-0.6%
MILK FOODS								
LACTOGEN								
Formula - I	400 gm.	80.00	92.21	92.21	93.14	92.83	92.60	15.7%
Formula - II	400 gm.	71.00	87.96	87.96	87.96	87.96	87.96	23.9%
MILK POWDER								
LAKSPRAY	400 gm.	56.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	33.9%
ANCHOR	400 gm.	60.75	78.00	78.00	78.00	78.00	78.00	28.4%
POTATOES	Kg.	39.94	36.07	35.30	34.93	33.50	34.95	-12.5%
COCONUT OIL	750 ml.	27.25	32.93	34.36	36.29	37.54	35.28	29.5%
SOAP - SUNLIGHT	130g.	7.66	8.75	8.75	8.75	8.75	8.75	14.2%
REXONA	75g.	9.62*	10.75	10.75	10.75	10.75	10.75	-
TOOTH PASTE - SIGNAL	110g.	29.50#	30.50	30.50	30.50	30.50	30.50	-
RINSO	500g.	43.50	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	10.3%

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OPEN MARKET AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

FEBRUARY 95 & 96

(COLOMBO CITY)

Item	Unit	Average Price (Rs.Cts)					1996 Feb.	Annual % Change (Pt. to Pt.) 96/95
		1995 Feb.	February 96					
			1st Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week		
RICE								
RAW	Kg.	18.62	19.97	20.62	20.53	19.89	20.25	8.8%
PAR BOILED	Kg.	18.23	20.04	20.14	20.25	19.96	20.10	10.2%
SAMBA	Kg.	23.14	24.57	25.25	24.91	24.48	23.14	0.0%
WHEAT FLOUR	Kg.	7.79	12.29	12.46	12.61	12.43	12.45	59.8%
BREAD	450 gm.	3.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	42.9%
DRIED CHILLIES	Kg.	125.12	161.96	143.66	131.61	126.64	140.97	12.7%
PULSES								
MYSORE DHALL	Kg.	36.58	51.31	50.68	50.61	50.02	50.66	38.5%
GREEN GRAM	Kg.	50.04	51.18	52.25	50.75	48.57	50.69	1.3%
COW-PEA DHALL	Kg.							
COW-PEA WHOLE	Kg.	31.65	41.33	41.10	42.43	41.71	41.64	31.6%
SUGAR	Kg.	31.64	32.36	32.79	32.79	32.64	32.64	3.2%
RED ONIONS	Kg.	37.55	27.11	26.26	27.52	26.61	26.88	-28.4%
BIG ONIONS	Kg.	26.10	24.36	23.36	23.93	22.50	23.54	-9.8%
MEAT								
BEEF	Kg.	84.26	97.50	97.14	97.14	95.71	96.87	15.0%
MUTTON	Kg.	150.86	182.86	181.43	184.29	188.33	184.23	22.1%
PORK	Kg.	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	0.0%
FRESH FISH								
PARAW	Kg.	177.71	220.00	196.00	185.00	182.86	195.96	10.3%
MULLET	Kg.	150.83	180.00	156.00	151.67	157.50	161.29	6.9%
BALAYA	Kg.	113.97	134.29	113.00	106.00	107.50	115.20	1.1%
SHARK	Kg.	97.46	103.33	110.00	101.88	96.00	102.80	5.5%
SALAYA	Kg.	58.81	50.36	51.29	46.93	34.57	45.79	-22.1%
PARATI	Kg.	132.22	152.50	160.00	138.33	138.00	147.21	11.3%
SMALL MULLET	Kg.	98.67	126.25	106.00	100.00	102.50	108.69	10.2%
DRIED FISH								
KATTA	Kg.	232.86	243.57	248.57	237.14	254.64	245.98	5.6%
SPRATTS	Kg.	111.31	106.07	104.64	107.50	112.86	107.77	-3.2%
SALAYA	Kg.	77.54	72.00	71.88	76.88	65.00	71.44	-7.9%
COCONUTS	Each	5.79	8.33	8.74	8.55	8.57	8.55	47.7%
EGGS	Each	2.98	2.27	2.35	2.24	2.20	2.26	-24.1%
MILK FOODS								
LACTOGEN								
Formula - I	400 gm.	81.46	93.38	93.70	95.00	95.00	94.27	15.7%
Formula - II	400 gm.	73.36	87.96	87.96	89.75	89.75	88.86	21.1%
MILK POWDER								
LAKSPRAY	400 gm.	56.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	33.9%
ANCHOR	400 gm.	60.75	78.00	78.00	78.00	78.00	78.00	28.4%
POTATOES	Kg.	35.64	37.89	32.45	32.48	31.79	33.65	-5.6%
COCONUT OIL	750 ml.	26.81	39.64	41.86	42.43	41.18	41.28	54.0%
SOAP - SUNLIGHT	130g.	8.16	8.75	8.75	8.75	8.75	8.75	7.2%
REXONA	75g.	9.92*	10.75	10.75	10.75	10.75	10.75	-
TOOTH PASTE - SIGNAL	110g.	30.50#	30.50	30.50	30.50	30.50	30.50	-
RINSO	500g.	43.50	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	10.3%

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OPEN MARKET AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
MARCH 95 & 96

(COLOMBO CITY)

Item	Unit	Average Price (Rs.Cts)						Annual % Change (Pt. to Pt.) 96/95
		1995	March 96				1996	
		Mar.	1st Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week	Mar.	
<u>RICE</u>								
RAW	Kg.	17.52	20.15	19.70	19.34	19.10	19.57	11.7%
PAR BOILED	Kg.	17.34	20.43	19.97	19.72	19.41	19.88	14.7%
SAMBA	Kg.	21.95	24.61	24.18	23.88	23.47	24.04	9.5%
WHEAT FLOUR	Kg.	7.71	12.43	12.29	12.48	12.82	12.50	62.2%
BREAD	450 gm.	3.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	42.9%
DRIED CHILLIES	Kg.	118.15	125.89	125.36	121.19	122.86	123.82	4.8%
<u>PULSES</u>								
MYSORE DHALL	Kg.	37.20	49.77	49.32	50.83	49.77	49.93	34.2%
GREEN GRAM	Kg.	52.61	46.07	47.75	46.57	46.29	46.67	-11.3%
COW-PEA DHALL	Kg.							
COW-PEA WHOLE	Kg.	34.84	40.00	40.20	39.75	44.00	40.99	17.6%
SUGAR	Kg.	31.73	32.36	32.25	32.43	32.64	32.42	2.2%
RED ONIONS	Kg.	30.72	25.26	26.07	27.29	27.93	26.64	-13.3%
BIG ONIONS	Kg.	20.27	22.46	23.25	24.82	23.21	23.44	15.6%
<u>MEAT</u>								
BEEF	Kg.	87.07	98.21	97.14	96.67	98.93	97.74	12.3%
MUTTON	Kg.	155.74	190.00	185.71	188.57	185.63	187.48	20.4%
PORK	Kg.	88.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	-9.1%
<u>FRESH FISH</u>								
PARAW	Kg.	148.42	192.50	182.86	165.71	179.17	180.06	21.3%
MULLET	Kg.	128.25	163.57	141.25	137.50	141.25	145.89	13.8%
BALAYA	Kg.	93.73	121.00	115.00	104.00	102.67	110.67	18.1%
SHARK	Kg.	87.65	101.67	95.00	94.00	89.00	94.92	8.3%
SALAYA	Kg.	58.61	38.08	36.21	34.89	32.00	35.30	-39.8%
PARATI	Kg.	112.46	142.00	130.83	130.00	132.00	133.71	18.9%
SMALL MULLET	Kg.	88.20	98.00	101.50	95.83	86.67	95.50	8.3%
<u>DRIED FISH</u>								
KATTA	Kg.	217.57	270.00	265.71	260.00	273.39	267.28	22.8%
SPRATTS	Kg.	115.32	111.79	113.21	113.93	119.64	114.64	-0.6%
SALAYA	Kg.	75.23	76.75	75.83	72.50	74.38	74.86	-0.5%
COCONUTS	Each	5.47	8.34	7.93	8.13	8.55	8.24	50.6%
EGGS	Each	3.12	2.23	2.58	2.65	2.92	2.59	-16.9%
<u>MILK FOODS</u>								
LACTOGEN								
Formula - I	400 gm.	82.48	95.00	95.00	95.00	95.00	95.00	15.2%
Formula - II	400 gm.	74.00	89.75	89.75	89.75	89.75	89.75	21.3%
<u>MILK POWDER</u>								
LAKSPRAY	400 gm.	56.00	78.57	80.00	80.00	80.00	79.64	42.2%
ANCHOR	400 gm.	60.75	82.71	84.00	84.00	84.00	83.68	37.7%
POTATOES	Kg.	30.16	30.38	30.50	31.82	34.54	31.81	5.5%
COCONUT OIL	750 ml.	26.78	40.54	40.14	43.57	50.43	43.67	63.1%
SOAP - SUNLIGHT	130g.	8.25	8.75	8.75	8.75	8.75	8.75	6.1%
REXONA	75g.	10.00*	10.75	10.75	10.75	10.75	10.75	-
TOOTH PASTE - SIGNAL	110g.	30.50#	30.50	30.50	30.50	30.50	30.50	-
RINSO	500g.	44.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	9.1%

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