

PERFORMANCE REPORT

2017



Department of Imports and Exports Control

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Introduction

The Department of Import and Export Control was established in 1969 by the Import and Export (Control) Act No. 01 of 1969 with the objective of controlling of imports and Exports of Sri Lanka. This department plays a major role in the economy of the country as a regulatory body which is responsible for the imports and exports being subjected to a license requirement. Prior to 1977, there were a lot of restrictions for import and exports which resulted in a heavy volume of work for the department. This year department completes 48 years of service to the nation.

Our mission has broadened in preparing import and export regulations and providing facilities to promote import and export. These activities are fulfilled in accordance with the mission such as considering National Security, Economy, Public Health and Environment. Standardization of import and export items is conducted to protect local industries, environment and people of the country. Money laundering is also controlled by implementing necessary policy frameworks together with the exchange control department.

Necessary steps have been taken to control or ban critical item that has harmful effect to the environment and public security according to the International Conventions such as Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm's. Eg: during last year regulations were established to ban conventional plugs and sockets and introduced single standards for 13 amp plugs and sockets. World Customs Organization revises HS Codes once in every 4 years. According to that revision Revenue Protection Order published by Ministry of Finance and Import and Export Control Department amended and published list of items controlled for import and export.

Import and Export Control Department has completed preparation for new automated computerized system and online submission of application has been established to ensure providing efficient and effective service to the trade community. Fully automated license issuing process will be established in near future.

Vision

To safe guard the community and environment for better future.

Mission

“Implementation of import and export policy decisions taken by the government from time to time in relation to security, economy, public health and environment etc. of the country in accordance with the Import and Export Control Act No.1 of 1969”

Functions

- Publish or make regulations required to implement government policies on import and export.
- Control of the importation and exportation of selected commodities or items subject to issuance of import and export licenses.
- Assist the Director General of the Customs and Banks pertaining matter on import and export control regulations.
- Issuing operational instructions related to import and export control regulations to the commercial banks.

Output

- During the year 2017, the mission of the Department was accomplished by way of issuing 14,887 licenses for the benefit of the country and its economy, subject to the import s and export control.
- Regularization of import control by debits subsequent to the receipt of verification the goods were imported in compliance with the license.
- Granting licenses on the basis of foreign exchange not being spent on importation as per the import and export control policies.
- Giving necessary assistance to the Director General of the Customs and the Controller of Exchange in the event of noncompliance with import and export control regulations
- Issuance Operational guidelines pertaining to import and export control to the commercial bank.
- Collection of revenue amount of Rs. 1,487 million as license fee and crediting the amount to the Consolidated Fund.

Staff

Following permanent staff of the department served to carry out the administrative functions, i.e. issuance of import and export licenses, debiting, and collection of revenue and for activities related to policy planning as well. (Table I)

The staff committed collectively with responsibility to accomplish services of the Department of Import and Export Control at optimal level while providing effective and efficient service to the clients in friendly manner.

The Staff as at 31.12.2017

Table No. 1

No	Designation	Salary Code	Service	Approved Designations	Existing up to 31.12.2017	Deficit
1	Controller General of Import & Export	SL3 - 2016 A	Sri Lanka Administrative Service -Special	1	1	0
2	Controller of Import and Export	SL1 - 2016 A	Sri Lanka Administrative Service - I	2	2	0
3	Assistant Controller	SL1 - 2016 A	Sri Lanka Administrative Service - II/III	6	3	3
4	Accountant	SL1 - 2016 A	Sri Lanka Accountancy Service - II/III	1	1	0
5	Internal Auditor	SL1 - 2016 A	Sri Lanka Accountancy Service - II/III	1	0	1
6	Legal Officer	SL1 - 2016 A		1	0	1
7	Administrative Officer	MN7 - 2016 A	Public Management Assistant Service - Supra Class	1	1	0
8	Translator	MN6 - 2016 A	Language translator Service	2	1	1
9	Information and Technology Officer	MN6 - 2016 A MT1 -2016A	Sri Lanka Information Technology Service	1	2	F. R. 71 forwarded for approval
10	Investigation Assistant	MN4 - 2016 A	Departmental	2	2	0
11	Research Assistant	MN4 - 2016 A	Departmental	1	0	Absorbed into

12	Policy & Planning Assistant	MN4 - 2016 A	Departmental	1	0	Development officer service.
13	Information and Technology Assistant	MN4 - 2016 A	Departmental	1	0	
14	Data Management Assistant	MN4 - 2016 A	Departmental	1	1	0
15	Budget Assistant	MN4 - 2016 A	Departmental	1	0	1
16	Development Officer	MN4 - 2016 A	Development Officer Service - I/II/III	4	9	FR 71. Forwarded for approval to increase up to 8 designation
17	Public Management Assistant	MN2 - 2016 A	Pubic Management Assistant Service - I/II/III	57	42	15
18	Driver	PL3 - 2016 A	Drivers Service	5	3	2
19	Office Assistants	PL1 -2016 A	Office Assistant - I/II/III	15	7	8
Total				104	74	33

Summary of the Staff as at 31.12.2017

No	Designation, Service and Grade	Approved Cadre	Actual Cadre	Deficits	Excess
01	Staff Grade	12	06	06	
02	Tertiary Grade	04	03	01	
03	Non-Staff Grade	68	55	16	03*
04	Primary Level	20	10	10	
	Total	104	74	33	

3 officers from departmental service have been absorbed into development officer service

Information Technology and Management

During the year 2017, preparation for establish new information management system has been completed. Launching of the first phase of the program is scheduled for January 2018.

- Training of Departmental staff for new system
- Meetings with relevant recommendation issuing authorities
- Upgrading hardware for new system Apart from that, maintaining of information management system and updating of Imports and Exports Control website www.imexport.gov.lk has been done in order to cater the requirements of the stake holders and general public.

Training and Capacity Building

During the year 2017, Officers of the Department in all levels have been directed for local and foreign training as mentioned below, with a view to enhancing their knowledge and attitudes in order to carry out the functions of the Department efficiently and effectively.

Training Programs

Local Training Programs for Associated Officers / State Management Assistants / Office Assistants

Table No. 2

No	Institute	Title of Training	Number of Staff	Date/Dates	Amount Spend
01.	National Human Resources Development Council	Customer Care	02	2017/01/10	-
02.	SDFL	Leadership & personality Development	01	22017/02/17	5,000
03.	MILODA	CIGAS	02	2017/01/24 25, 26	33,000
04.	SLIDA	Certificate Course in English	01	2017/04/02	26,000
05.	SDFL	Annual Stock Verification	01	2017.03.02	5,000
06.	Miloda	Payroll	02	2017/02/13,14,15	33,000
07.	National Institute of Labor Studies	Financial Regulation and Practical Application	04	2017/02/21, 22	24,000
08.	PRAG Institute	Code of Ethics	01	2017.02.14	6,000
09.	National Board of Human Resource Development	Lecture on " Human Confidence	04	2017.03.07	-
10.	Commerce Department	National Workshop on the WTO Agreement on Sanitary &phytosanitary measures & Technical Barriers to trade for Sri Lanka	02	2017/02/20, 21	-

11.	SDFL	Public Procurement Procedures	01	2017/02/27, 28	8,500
12.	MILODA	Diploma in English for professionals	02		50,000
13.	SDFL	Enhancing Skills of Drivers & Minor Employees	02	2017/03/13, 14	17,000
14.	Ceylon Chamber of Commerce	What Business Needs to Know	01	2017.04.03	3,500
15.	Sri Lanka Customs	EU – TTC Funded training Programme	01	2017.04.19, 20	-
16.	National Human Resources Development Council	Lecture on “ Top HR Trends - 2017	02	2017.05.04	-
17.	Miloda	Diploma in English for Junior Executives	03	From 2017/04/22 for 10 days	75,000
18.	Miloda	Preparation of Bid documents and Tender Procedures	01	2017/5/23,24	11,500
19.	SDFL	Annual Stock verification and Assets Disposal	02	2017/06/29, 30	17,000
21.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Department of Defense (DOD) International Counter proliferation Programme (ICP) International Dual Use Investigations	03	2017/05/08 ,09,10,11,12	-
22	Organized by the Department	Capacity Development and Awareness on Acts. Import and Export Control, Right to Information	55	2017/06/24, 25	174,400
23	Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs	Enhancement of Accounting skills of the Public Sector	04	217/06/22	-
24.	Miloda	Financial Regulations in the public Sector	01	2017/07/18,19	11,500

25.	Department of National Budget	Addendum one to the Budget Call -2018	03	2017/05/8,26	-
26.	SLIDA	Certificate course in English	01	2017/12/10	26,000
27.	CETRAC	Role of Office Assistants to Improve office productivity	06	2017/08/25	21,000
28.	CETRAC	Economical and Safe Driving skills	02	2017/09/21	6,000
29.	PRAG Institute	Preparing answers to Audit queries	03	2017/09/07	18,000
30.	Organized by Department	Awareness on non-spreading diseases	All	2017/08/25	2,000
31.	E T Properties	First Aid Training	01	2017/11/11	2,500
32.	Institute of Professional Development	Capacity Development program	02	2017/12/07 08, 14, 15	40,000
33.	National Productivity Secretariat	Information Technology for Productivity	01	2017/11/28	5,000
34.	Institute of National Labor Studies	Office Management and Financial Regulations	02	2017/12/07, 08	12,000
35.	Department of State Accounts	Training Programme & Seminar on New CIGAS for year 2018	01	2017/12/27	-
36.	Ministry of Finance	Introductory Workshop for ITMIS	01	2017/10/03	-
37.	Ministry of Mahaweli Development and Environment	Awareness Programs on Montrial Protocol and Control System	60	2017/10/28	250,605.00
38.	Organized by Department	Happiness of Life	65	2017/12/09	289,799.99

Local Training–Staff Grade**Table No 3**

No	Institution	Title of program	Number of Staff	Dates and Duration	Amount spent
01.	SLIDA	Seminar on “ Role of the Public Servant in Implementing Budget Proposals of 2018	02	2017/11/13	-
02.	National Dangerous Drugs Control Board	National Training workshop for Building Capacities of Drug Enforcement Personnel of Sri Lanka on Controlling Pharmaceutical Drugs Trafficking	02	2017/5/06, 07	-
03.	SLIDA	Capacity Building Programme for the officers of SLAS Class 111	01	2017.04.03 – September 2019	-
04.	The Institute of Chartered Accountants	Assets Managements	01	2017/02/13,14	8,000
05.	SLIDA	SLIDA Diploma in English	02	2017/12/04	42,000
	Sri Lanka Foundation	Project proposal writing	01	2017/12/13,14	6,000
06.	Adams Skills Development Centre	Microsoft Excel – Advanced Analysis tools	01	2017/12/11,12	16,000

07.	Department of State Accounts	Training Programme & Seminar on New CIGAS for year 2018	01	2017/12/27	-
08.	SDFL	Leadership & personality Development	01	2017/02/17	5,000
09.	Sri Lanka Customs	EU – TTC Funded training Programme	02	2017/04/19,20	-
10.	Ministry of Finance	Introductory Workshop for ITMIS	01	2017/10/03	-
11.	National Archives	Management of public documents and law of archives	01	2017/07/18	-
12.	Presidential Task Force for Energy Demand Management	National Program on Energy Conservation and effective use of energy at Government offices	01	2017/11/09, 10	-
13.	Ministry of Health , Nutrition & Indigenous Medicine	National Stakeholder Workshop for risk –based food Import Control within a One health framework	01	2017/11/30	-
14.	SLIDA	MPM	02	Application processing fee	4,000

Foreign Training–Development Officers

Table No. 04

No	Country	Title of Program	Number of Participants	Dates and Duration
01	China	2017 Seminar for Import & Export Commodity Quality and Safety Supervision Officials from Developing Countries	02	From 2017.04.01 to 2017.04.21
02	United State of America	Senior Policy Exchange	01	From 2017.05.15 to 2017.05.18

03	China	2017 Seminar on food Safety Management for Countries along the Belt and Road	01	From 2017.05.04 to 2017.05.24
04	China	“2017 Training Course on Basic Software Application Technology for Asian and European Countries	01	From 2017.06.12 to 2017.07.11
05	China	2017Seminar on Import & Export Management and Protection of Endangered Species for officials from Developing Countries	01	From 2017.08.29 to 2017.09.18

Foreign Training–Staff Grade

Table 05

No	Country	Title of Program	Number of Participants	Dates and Duration
01	United State of America	EXBM programme- USA	01	From 2017.03.27 to 2017.04.07
02.	United State of America	Senior Policy Exchange - USA	01	From 2017.05.15 to 2017.05.18
03.	Netherland	Basic Course for personal of National Authorities Involved in the National Implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention - Netherlands	01	From 2017.04.03 to 2017.04.07

New Regulations published during the year 2017

Implementing the policies of the Government in respect of importation and exportation, the following Extraordinary Gazette Notifications were published to declare and enforce new regulations.

Regulations under Imports and Exports Control Act No.1 of 1969

Table No. 07

The date of issuing Gazette Extraordinary	Gazette Extraordinary No.	Contents
19.05.2017	2019/24	Regulation on license requirement age for import of Concrete pump trucks
15.08.2017	2032/10	Regulation on import license requirement and Standard requirement for plugs and sockets
02.10.2017	2039/4	Regulations on amendment of import license fee for imported tea for re-export purposes
09.11.2017	2044/40	Import controlled items list
09.11.2017	2044/41	Export controlled items list

Regulation on imposition of Import Control License requirement for Concrete Pump Trucks which are more than ten years old

As per the letter No.TIP/TP/01/12(8) dated 22nd February 2017 by Ministry of Finance, Revenue Protection Order 2/2017(Extraordinary Gazette Notification No. 2006/42 dated 16th February 2017) import regulations of Concrete Pump Trucks has been amended. Under the above Revenue Protection Order, two H.S Codes have been created to cover,

- 8705.90.31 for the Concrete Pump Trucks which are not more than ten years old

- 8705.90.32 for the Concrete Pump Trucks which are more than ten years old

Further, it has been recommended to bring the H.S Sub Code 8705.90.32 under the Import and Export Control License requirement in order to manage the importation of Concrete Pump Trucks more than ten years old. Before introduction of new H.S Sub headings, the Concrete Pump Truck was categorized commonly under H.S Code 8705.90(Other).

Since, construction activities represent the second largest industrial segment of Sri Lanka. There are economical and social benefits to the country which can be gained by facilitating the construction industry. As requested by the Construction Industries two new H.S Sub Codes have been introduced and H.S. Code 8705.90.32 has been recommended to bring under the Import Control License requirement. This will regulate the proper importation of Concrete Pump Trucks and eventually contribute to boom the construction industry of Sri Lanka.

Therefore, in order to regulate the importation of the Concrete Pump Trucks which are more than ten years old, H.S. Code 8705.90.32 has been included in the list of items which require the ICL.

The Extraordinary Gazette No.2019/24 dated 19.05.2017 has been published in order to execute the proposals mentioned above and has been approved by the Parliament on 20th June, 2017

Regulation on imposition of Import Control License requirement and standard for Plugs and Socket outlets

Section 4(1) (e) of the Sri Lanka Electricity Act No. 20 of 2009, requires the Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka (PUCSL) to discharge its functions under the Act in a manner which it considers is best calculated to protect the public from dangers arising from the generation, transmission, distribution, supply or use of electricity.

In 2012, reported deaths by accidental electrocution in Sri Lanka were 180, eleven times the international index, to contain by accidental electrocution to at most 20 persons in 2020. The use of numerous types of plugs, sockets, and substandard electrical equipment, adaptors and extension cords have been identified as a prime cause of electrocutions and fires. The plug attached to the appliances rarely matches with the socket, causing inconvenience to the public and a safety hazard by the use of substandard adaptors.

As per the recommendation from Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka (PUCSL), Economic, technical and safety regulator of the electricity industry, and steering committee Cabinet decision was taken on 16th August 2016 to standardize the plug and sockets in Sri Lanka. Type G, 13 A plug and socket outlet (Rectangular pin plug and socket) was adopted as the single standard of plugs and socket outlet in Sri Lanka.

Following timeline was approved by the cabinet in order to make the transition to the single standard more convenient to every stakeholder.

- I. Adopting the Type G (13 ampere plug and socket) as the unique and single standard for plugs and sockets in Sri Lanka
- II. Allowing a period of one year from 16th August 2016, import or manufacture of plugs, sockets, substandard multi-sockets and extension cords, and appliance carrying plugs other than type G would not be allowed from 16th August 2017.
- III. Allowing a period of two years from 16th August 2016, the sale of plugs, sockets, substandard multi-sockets and extension cords, and appliance carrying plugs other than type G would not be allowed from 16th August 2018.
- IV. Existing wiring, as well as plug and sockets presently used or sold within two years from the date of approval, will be allowed to remain in service, until the end of their useful life.
- V. Existing wiring, as well as plug and sockets to be until the end of their useful life, to encourage manufactures to provide in the market,
 - a) A specially marked Type G socket, as a replacement for any five ampere socket that needs replacement
 - b) Adaptor to enable five ampere plugs to be connected to 13 ampere sockets and vice versa
 - c) Extension cords conforming to standards

The amendment of Import (Standard and Quality Control) regulation solely cannot restrict the import of substandard 13A plugs, sockets, adaptors and extension cords. Further, shaver sockets, universal sockets and travel adaptor allowed to be used in hotels and for sale in travel shops. Hence, those items are allowed to import under the supervision of Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka (PUCSL) via Import Control License scheme.

Extraordinary Gazette No.2032/10 dated 15.08.2017 has been published in order to execute the proposals mentioned above and approved by the Parliament on 22nd September 2017.

Regulation on Import Control License Fee for imposition of Tea for Re-export

Prior to import tea for re-export, an Importer is required to obtain approval from Tea Board to apply for an Import Control License for importation of tea for re-export purpose. For obtaining the approval from Tea Board, a fee of Rs.500.00 for an application as well as a payment of Rs.5.00 per kilogram of tea to be imported have to be made. Subsequently, Import License from Imports and Exports Control Department should be obtained on payment of a fee of 1% of CIF value. The relevant consignment of tea will be released by the Sri Lanka Customs on submission of both aforementioned approvals.

In order to facilitate the tea industry, particularly re-exportation of tea, it has been proposed to abolish the Import Control License Fee of 1% of CIF value on importer of tea for re-export purposes in the Budget 2017. Accordingly Ministry of Plantation Industries and Ministry of Development Strategies and International Trade, on request of the tea importers, submitted a joint Cabinet Paper No.17/1123/726/027 of 30.05.2017 to rescind and amend the item of Serial No.46 of the Schedule No1 stipulated in the Extraordinary Gazette No.1953/28 of 11/02/2016 issued in terms of provisions of the Imports and Exports Control Act, No.1 of 1969 in order to abolish the Import Control License Fee of 1% of CIF value on import of tea for re-export basis and charge Rs.1000.00 as nominal fee. This proposal was approved by the Cabinet of Ministers on 28.06.2017.

Accordingly, Extraordinary Gazette No.2039/4 dated 02.10.2017 has been published in order to execute the proposals mentioned above and approved by the Parliament on 20th November, 2017

Regulation on Import and Export Control License and Banned Items and Regulation on Export Control License Items

Sri Lanka is a signatory body to the World Customs Organization (WCO) since 1968 and hence it is obligatory to implement the international convention on Harmonized commodity Description and Coding System. As per the Article 3 of the said convention the customs tariff and the statistical nomenclatures shall be in conformity with Harmonized System.

Harmonized System is reformed once in every four years. Accordingly, Harmonized System-2012 had been amended as Harmonized System-2017. The Customs Co-operation Council of WCO has recommended certain amendments to the existing Harmonized Codes in six (6) digit levels and introduced sixth amendment to the Harmonized System-2012. It is adopted as new version (2017) to ensure the keeping Harmonized System (H.S) up to date in the light of the changes in technology and patterns of International Trade. These amendments have been done by covering the agricultural sector, chemical sector wood sector, textile sector, base metal sector, machinery sector, transport sector and few other sectors.

Sri Lanka made amendments to the existing National Harmonized System in eight digit level to comply with the obligations of the WCO. Those amendments had been published through the Revenue Protection Order (RPO) as per the Article 3 of the International Convention on Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System.

At the same time it is necessary to amend and publish all the regulations published in gazette notifications up to now which include amended HS codes by using new RPO without adding any new items. As per that requirement, following Extraordinary Gazettes are hereby repealed.

Extraordinary Gazette No.	Date	Description
1813/14	05.06.2013	Import Controlled List
1821/40	01.08.2013	Controlled importation of Virgin Hydro Chloro Fluoro Carbons (HCFCs)
1837/41	21.11.2013	Amendments of H.S.Codes 87.03 and 87.04
1846/16	21.01.2014	Amendments of H.S.Codes 87.04 and 87.05
1882/40	02.01.2014	Banned importation of Linna

		Fish
1885/50	24.10.2014	Amendments of H.S Code 87.02, 87.05 and 87.11
1918/22	11.06.2015	Banned importation of Glyphosate
1970/9	07.06.2016	Amendments of H.S.Code
1992/74	11.11.2016	Inclusion of Canned Fish & Mackerel Fish into ICL
1999/47	30.12.2016	Amendments of Vehicle age and Inclusion of Synthetic Lubricants into ICL
2019/24	19.05.2017	Inclusion of Concrete Pump Truck into ICL
2032/10	15.08.2017	Inclusion of Plugs and Sockets into ICL

Schedule (IV) of the Extraordinary Gazette Notification No.1813/14 of 05th June 2013, 1882/40 of 02nd October 2014 and 1918/22 of 11th June 2015 has been amended by adding new banned items to it. All these newly added chemicals which come under the control of Montreal Protocol previously were in the control items list of said gazettes. But with the phase out scheduled chemicals of the Montreal Protocol, chemicals in the Annex B group I, Annex C group II and III had been included to the Banned List.

Accordingly, Extraordinary Gazette No.2044/40 and 2044/41 dated 09.11.2017 have been published in order to execute the proposals mentioned above and approved by the Parliament on 11th December 2017.

Revenue Analysis - 2017

Estimated revenue for the year 2017 was Rs. 1200 million, and revised in July for Rs. 1350 million. The Department was able to earn revenue of Rs. 1487 million in the year 2017. The Revenue has increased by 35.18% compared to the year 2016 and it can be classified as follows.

Revenue -Rs.1,487,761,561.39

Above revenue is included the additional charges and revised charges

I. Revenue

Details of revenue have been given in below Table

Table No. 08

Description	Actual Revenue-2016 Rs.	Estimate Approved-2017 Rs.	Revised Estimate-2017 Rs.	Actual Revenue-2017 Rs.
Import and Export License Fees	1,370,847,281	1,200,000,000	1350,000,000.00	1,487,761,561.39

Expenditure Analysis - 2017

Recurrent and Capital Expenditure

A sum of RS. 56.492 million has been provisioned in the year 2017 for recurrent and capital expenditure. An expenditure of Rs.67.13 million has been incurred. It is 91% of the total provision. Details in this respect have been given below.

Head No	:	296
Ministry	:	Ministry of Development Strategies and International Trade- Department of Import and Export Control
Program No	:	01
Project	:	01

Financial Sources

Measures have taken to spend the provisions allocated under the local funds by the Consolidated Fund, effectively and efficiently.

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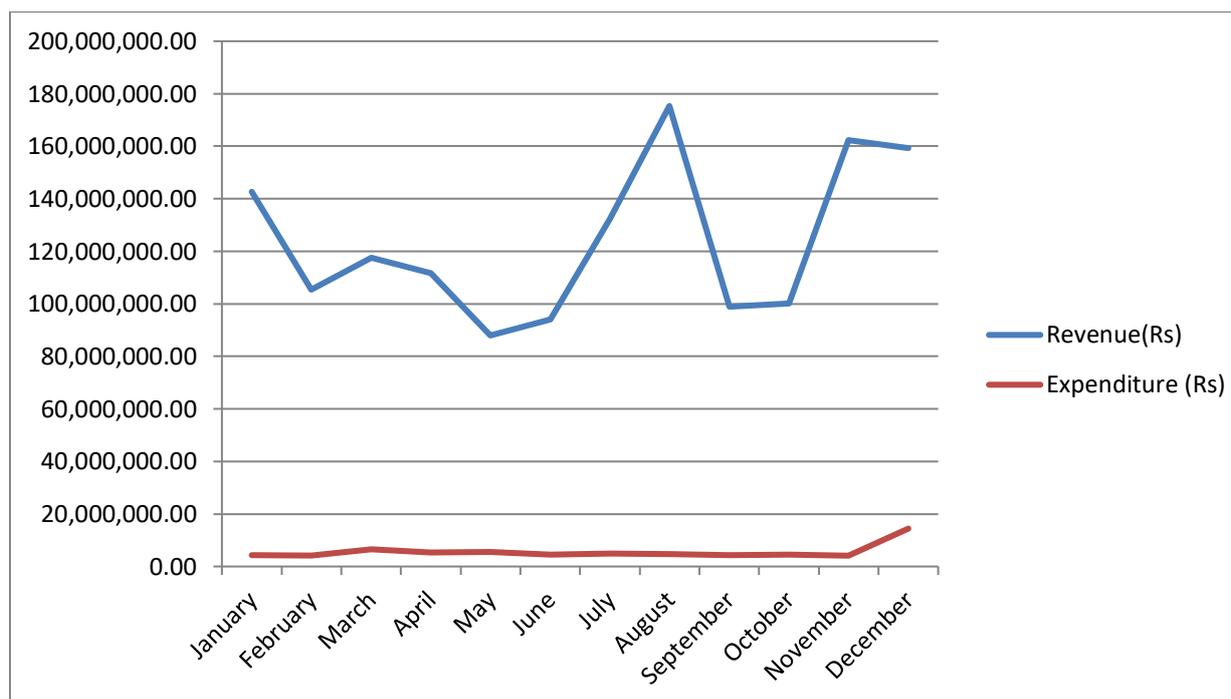
Description	Actual Expenditure-2016 Rs.	Actual Expenditure- 2017 Rs.
Total Expenditure	59,660,338.39	67,131,842.30

Revenue and Expenditure Analysis - 2017

The Department has earned a revenue of Rs.1,487 million spending Rs.67 million. Monthly income and expenditure summary is as follows.

Table No.10

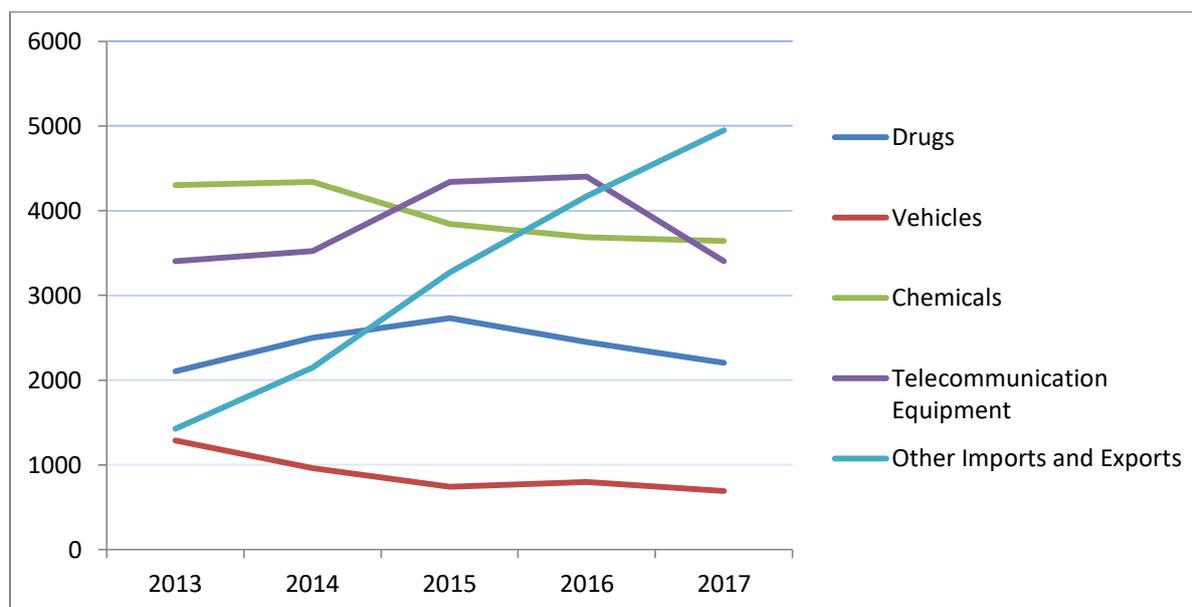
Month	Revenue(Rs)	Expenditure (Rs)
January	142,672,004.57	4,271,673.80
February	105,483,313.68	4,160,616.56
March	117,636,876.67	6,451,697.80
April	111,620,164.93	5,258,606.63
May	87,962,076.73	5,445,291.90
June	94,133,209.48	4,446,567.77
July	132,259,725.65	4,855,784.49
August	175,337,726.83	4,798,237.50
September	98,937,192.70	4,367,851.05
October	100,131,077.02	4,463,217.67
November	162,391,418.13	4,185,761.13
December	159,196,775.00	14,426,536.00
Total	1,487,761,561.39	67,131,842.30



Number of license and income generated during the last 5 years

Table No.11

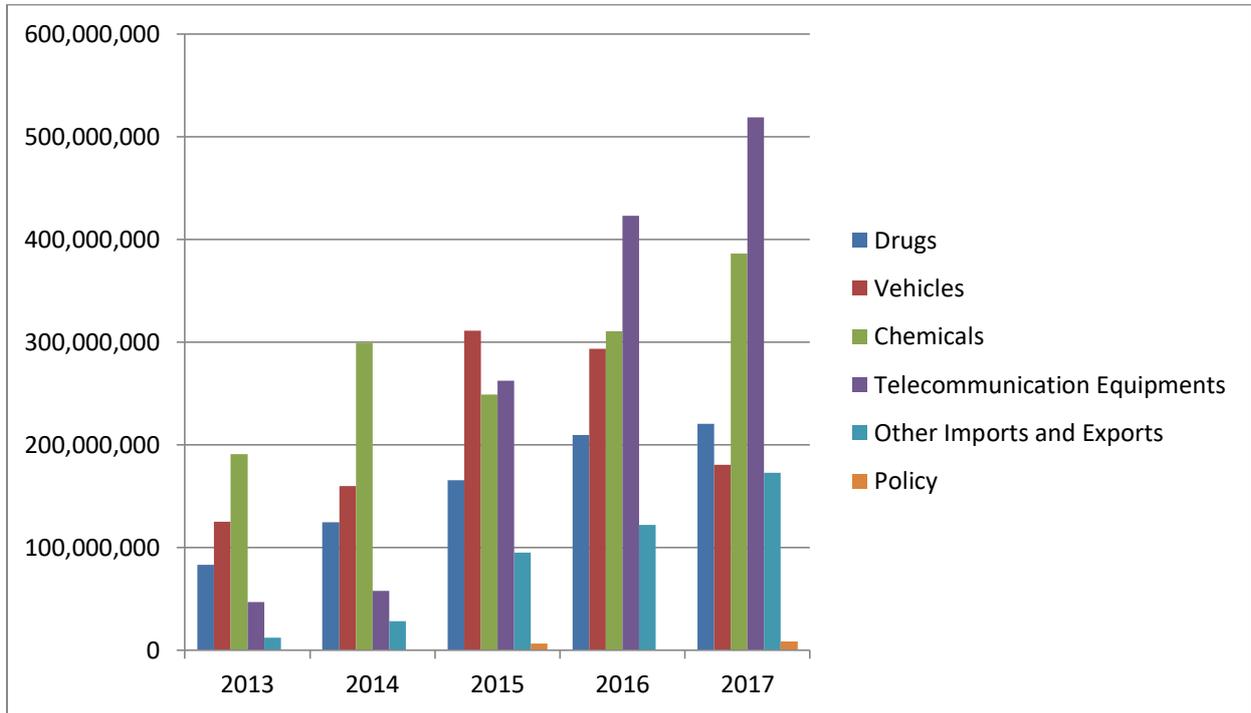
Items	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Drugs	2104	2500	2732	2,450	2,205
Vehicles	1288	958	739	797	690
Chemicals	4301	4339	3844	3,684	3,644
Telecommunication Equipment	3406	3523	4338	4,399	3,401
Other Imports and Exports	1427	2148	3274	4,168	4,947



Income (Rs.) (see graph II)

Items	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Drugs	83,036,455	124,551,191	165,323,691	209,568,743.70	220,396,338.63
Vehicles	125,202,590	159,721,793	311,027,758	293,250,180.66	180,509,698.87
Chemicals	190,727,940	298,927,118	248,677,073	310,511,640.29	386,316,943.95
Telecommunication Equipment	46,973,837	57,901,028	262,610,141	422,736,764.24	518,785,898.77
Other Imports and Exports	12,059,178	28,414,399	94,895,008	122,142,866.85	172,521,812.69
Policy			6,620,319	12,244,795.95	9,230,868.48
Other				392,289.57	750,420.00
	458,000,000	669,515,529	1,089,153,990	1,370,847,281.26	1,488,511,981.39

Table No.12



Review of income and license data during last 5 years

Number of license issued during the last 5 years by the respective units is shown above.

Drugs – Unit 1

Even though, Number of license issued to import of drugs has been slightly gone down, income has gone up. Western Drugs are most part of the income and licence issued in Unit 1. Depreciation of rupee value and increasing the value of bulk licence might be reason for increase the income of the license.

Vehicle – Unit 2

Even if the number of license issued to import used vehicles went down during the year 2015, slight increase can be observed in year 2016, but in 2017 it is observed little decrease number of licence issued and the income generated.

Chemical – Unit 3

Highest number of license issued and income generated for import of chemicals recorded in 2014, but during last 3 years number of license issued have gone down continuously. But income has gone up continuously due to rupee depreciation. Petroleum products are the main part of chemicals and it is used for production processors in the country. During last 3 years production sector of the economy shown less expansion and it affects the drop of chemicals imports.

Telecommunication Equipment and other – Unit 4

Telecommunication equipment have been recorded rapid increase issuing number of licences and generated increasing income. Mobile phone import is the main component among importation of telecommunication equipment. During the year 2016 and 2017 telecommunication sector has recorded expansion and several massive projects have been implemented during those two years.

Other Imports and Exports – Unit 5

Continuous increase in number of license and the income are observed in unit 5. Animal Products are the most imported product during year 2017. It shows that animal food sector has been developed during the last year

Policy Division

Main activity of this division is to sort out the import and export related problems and make policy decision according to the import and export Control act no 1 of 1969.

Base on above act, this division prepare gazette notification and forward to parliament for approval

Apart from that, this division provide necessary instructions to the commercial banks and Sri Lanka Customs when there are discrepancies incurred while doing import and export activities by business community

According to the periodical policy changes made by government, policy division issue the Operating Instruction to the Commercial Banks and relevant authorities

