

✓ **National inflation...**

Vegetable prices rose 0.79 percent in January, compared to December 2019, while red onion prices rose 0.09 percent. Coconut prices rose 0.25 percent.

Non-food inflation in January fell to 3 percent, from 4.2 percent in December 2019.

The moving average inflation for the month of January was 4.1 percent, compared to 3.5 percent in December 2019.

✓ **National inflation in January accelerates to 7.6%**

Sri Lanka's countrywide inflation measured by the year-on-year change in the National Consumer Price Index (NCPI) accelerated to 7.6 percent in January, from 6.2 percent in December 2019, amid higher

food prices. Food inflation rose 13.7 percent on a YoY basis in January, from 8.6 percent in December, as vegetable, coconut and onion prices rose sharply.

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