

# Trade Procedures and Practices for Agricultural Machinery

Country Perspective:  
Sri Lanka

# Agriculture Industry in Sri Lanka

## Traditional

- Tea, Rubber & Coconut

## Non-Traditional

- Rice Production
- Maize
- Other Field Crops (OFC), including fruits, vegetables, Yams, Pulses & Seeds

Contributes 7% of GNP

26% of Labour force deployed in Agriculture  
(down from 36.8% in 1995)

# Paddy Cultivation in Sri Lanka

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Area sown- 1,230,000 Hec

- Production 4.5 Mn Metric Tons per annum

## Cultivation

- Maha season – 65% (September – December)
- Yala season – 35% (April – July)

## Average Plot size

- 10x10 – 20x20 SqM
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# Maize Cultivation in Sri Lanka

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Area sown- 90,000 Hec (2020)

- Mostly rain fed / Irrigated

Crop

- 313,000 M' Tons per annum
- Growing at an average of 16% annually

Average Extent

- 4 hec and upwards
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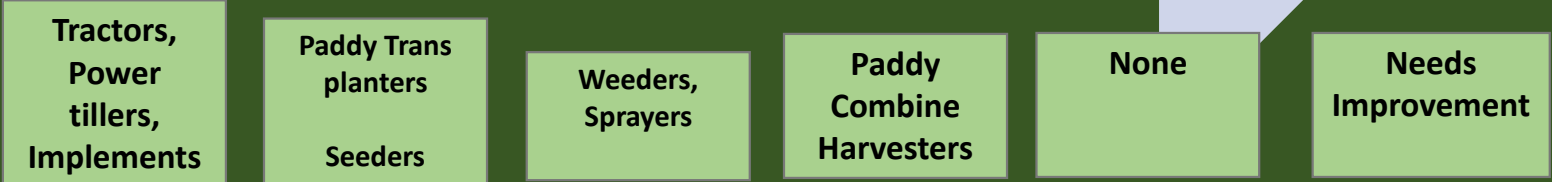
# Market: Mechanisation

Machinery	Current demand	Forecast/annum
Tractors	5500 units	On average 4000 to 6000
Combined Harvestors	800-850 Units	On average 500 to 800 units
Powertillers	1500 units	On average 1000 to 1200 units
Rice Transplanters	negligable	nil
Sprayers	40,000	Demand for power sprayers are on the rise

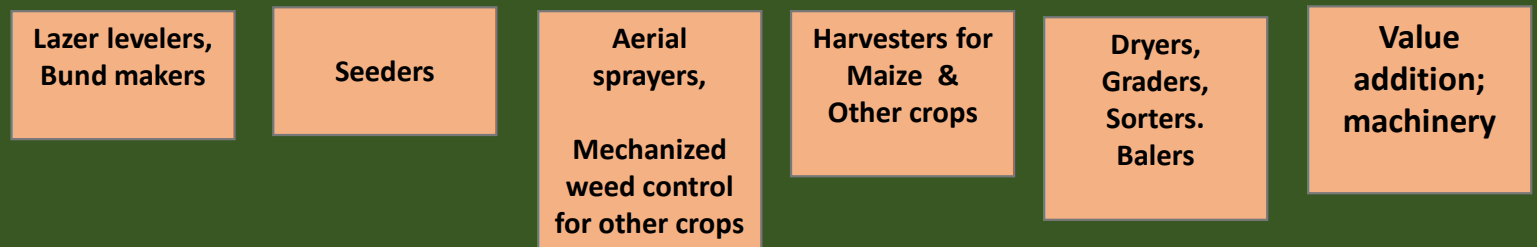
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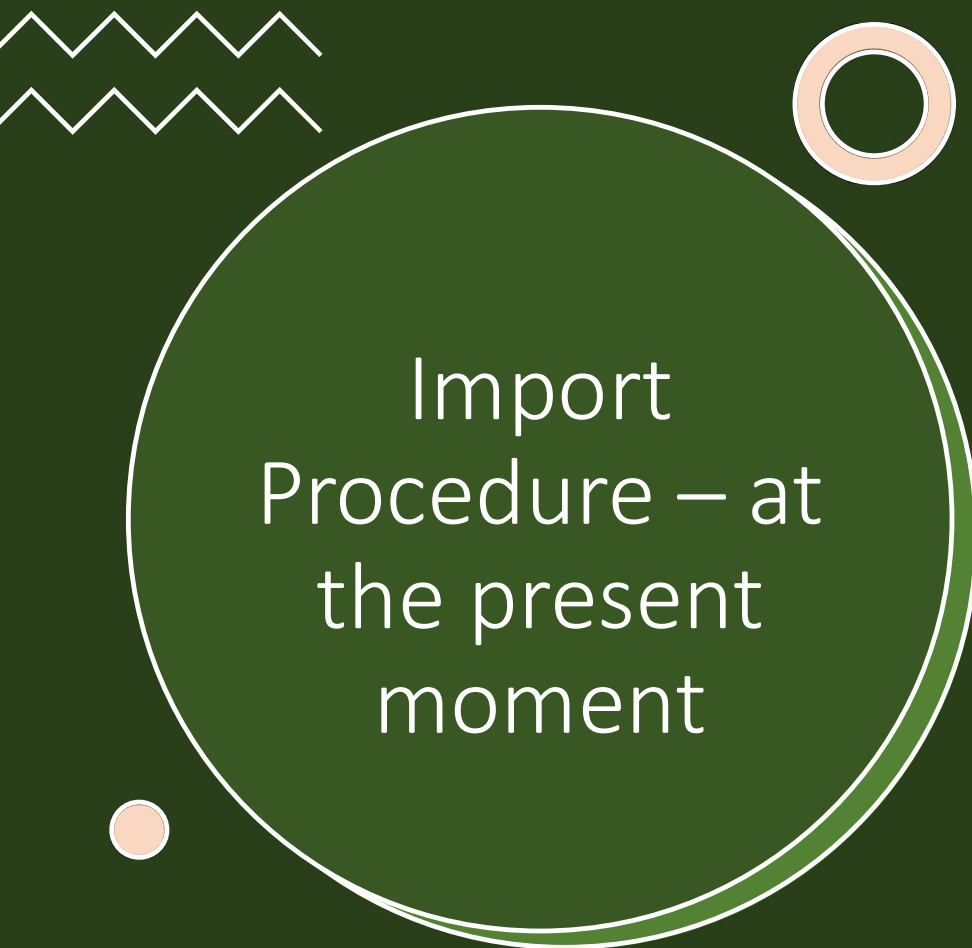
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## Import Procedure – at the present moment

- No restrictions to importing agriculture machinery at present
- No formal approvals required
- Total taxes payable at the point of entry to country is appx. 5% (standard levies)
- Imports arrive by sea transportation to Colombo Port
- The main problem faced at the moment is the limited availability of foreign exchange to open LC's – Major bottle-neck





A herd of elephants of various sizes is grazing in a lush green savanna. The background shows a dense line of trees under a clear blue sky. The text is overlaid on the image.

*Thank You!*

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# Clarifications / Questions ?

