

5.0 TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION

5.1:1 Air Freight Charges-Between Sri Lanka & Karachi; Pakistan.

Less than 10kgs	\$12.44/Kg
Less than 45kgs	\$1.34/Kg
More than 45kgs	\$1.02/Kg

There is a security surcharge of \$ 0.10/Kg other than betel & perishable items like vegetables.

Duration

Air Lanka (UL)	Direct	36 Hours.
Emirates (EK)	Via Dubai	36 Hours.
Quatta (QR)	Via Doha	Next day
EX PO Aviation (EXV)	Direct	36 Hours.

Source: Hemas International Freight (Pvt) Ltd.

5.1:2 Sea Freight Charges-Between Sri Lanka & Karachi; Pakistan.

Charges for 20'

	<u>US \$/Container</u>	<u>Time</u>
APL	575	2 days (Direct)
Clarion	350	4 days (Via India - Navashiva)
MISC	350	4 days „
MAR	325	4 days „

Terminal handling charges

Karachi	US \$ 50
If pay in here	US \$ 30

Bunker adjustment

Karachi	US \$ 30
If pay in here	US \$ 15

Source: Hemas International Freight (Pvt) Ltd.

Freight Rates levied by shipping lines for exports in June & July 2002 to Pakistan

<u>Line</u>	<u>Commodity</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Rate</u> (US \$)	<u>All in Rates</u> (US \$)
	<u>TEA</u>			
Samudera	Black Tea in Packages	Karachi		204/20'
MISC	Black Tea in Pallets	Karachi	185/20'+THC	300/20'
	Tea in Paper Sacks	Karachi	321/40'+THC	505/40'
	<u>Rubber</u>			
CSC	Rubber	Karachi	400/20'+THC	515/20'
	Crepe Rubber	Karachi	400/20'+THC	515/20'
	Rubber Smoke Sheets	Karachi	400/20'+THC	515/20'
MISC	Rubber	Karachi	110/20'+THC	225/20'
CCNI	Rubber	Karachi	125/20'+THC	240/20'
PNSC	Crepe Rubber Sheets	Karachi	179/20'+THC	250/20'
	<u>Other Commodities</u>			
PNSC	Desiccated Coconut	Karachi	129/20'+THC	200/20'
	Coconut Oil	-do-	129/20'+THC	200/20'
	Copra	-do-	129/20'+THC	200/20'
MISC	Tamarind with Seeds	Karachi	100/20'+THC	215/20'
	Mattress Fiber	-do-	100/20'+THC	215/20'
	Copra	-do-	110/20'+THC	225/20'
	Coir Yarn	-do-	100/20'+THC	215/20'
	Fresh Coconut	-do-	110/20'+THC	225/20'
	-do-	-do-	340/40'+THC	524/40'
	Cinnamon Leaves	-do-	366/40'+THC	550/40'
	Broom Sticks	-do-	290/40'+THC	474/40'
CSC	Broom Sticks	Karachi	400/20'+ THC	515/20'
	Copra	-do-	400/20'+ THC	515/20'
	Coir Yarn	-do-	400/20'+ THC	515/20'
	Coir Mattress Fibre	-do-	400/20'+ THC	515/20'
	Bristle Fibre	-do-	400/20'+ THC	515/20'
Samudera-	Desiccated Coconut			204/20'
	Copra			204/20'
	Coconut Semi Husk			204/20'

Hanjin	Broom Sticks	Karachi		740/40'HC
	Fresh Coconut	-do-		740/40'HC
CCNI	Copra	Karachi	125/20'+THC	240/20'
THC	-	<u>Terminal Handling Charges</u>		
		US \$ 115/20'		
		US \$ 184/40'		
		331/20'RF		
BAF	-	<u>Bunker Adjustment Factor</u>		
		At the Rate of US \$ 85-110/20'		
		US \$ 170-220/40'		
BCH	-	Bill of Lading Charge		
		US \$ 20		
HC	-	High Cube		
RF	-	Reefer		

Source: Central Freight Bureau of Sri Lanka

5.2 Communication Facilities

Telephones: 2.552 million (1997)

Telephone system: the domestic system is mediocre, but adequate for government and business use, in part because major businesses have established their own private systems; since 1988, the government has promoted investment in the national telecommunications system on a priority basis; despite major improvements in trunk and urban systems, telecommunication services are still not readily available to the major portion of the population domestic: microwave radio relay international: satellite earth stations -3 Intelsat (1 Atlantic Ocean and 2 Indian Ocean); microwave radio relay to neighboring countries.

Internal mail delivery

Internal mail delivery is inexpensive and fairly reliable. Airmail letters take about six to eight days to reach Europe and about eight to ten days to reach the U.S. Delivery of private courier packages (i.e. DHL, Federal Express, TNT, UPS) is delayed due to customs clearance. This normally takes 2 or 3 days. Delivery times for sea freight are considerably longer and more variable.

Transportation**Railways:**

Total: 8,163 km

Broad gauge: 7,718 km 1.676-m gauge (293 km electrified; 1,037 km double track)

Narrow gauge: 445 km 1.000-m gauge (1996 est.)

Highways:

Total: 224,774 km

Paved: 128,121 km

Unpaved: 96,653 km (1996 est.)

Ports and harbors: Karachi, Port Muhammad bin Qasim

Merchant marine:

Total: 24 ships (1,000 GRT or over) totaling 416,875 GRT/684,580 DWT

Ships by type: bulk 5, cargo 15, container 3, oil tanker 1 (1997 est.)

Airports: 115**Airports--with paved runways:**

Total: 80

Over 3,047 m: 11

2,438 to 3,047 m: 20

1,524 to 2,437 m: 31

914 to 1,523 m: 15

Under 914 m: 3 (1997 est.)

Airports-with unpaved runways:

Total: 35

Over 3,047 m: 1

1,524 to 2,437 m: 8

914 to 1,523 m: 8

Under 914 m: 18 (1997 est.)

Heliports: 6 (1997 est.)