

Amendments to Nation Building Tax (NBT)

In compliance with the 2011 budget proposals, the following Nation Building Tax (NBT) changes are to be implemented **with effect from 01st January 2011**.

1. The prevailing **NBT** rate of **3% is reduced to 2%**.
2. The following are **excluded from Nation Building Tax**.
 - (i) Import of goods, for any infrastructure development project funded through foreign loans or donations directly to government ministries, as approved by the Minister of Finance.
 - (ii) Import of raw materials exclusively used in manufacturing Ayurvedic preparations (other than cosmetic preparations) in Sri Lanka and packing materials exclusively used for packing of Ayurvedic preparations (other than cosmetic preparations) in Sri Lanka, which are imported by the manufacturers of such Ayurvedic preparations where such materials are not manufactured in Sri Lanka, as approved by the Minister of Finance on the recommendation of the Secretary to the Ministry of Indigenous Medicine.
 - (iii) Import of **Bitumen** falling under **HS Code 2713.20 and HS Heading 27.14**
 - (iv) Import of **tractors** falling under **HS Codes 8701.10.10, 8701.10.90, 8701.90.10 and 8701.90.20**.