

# HNB Launches “Ran Govi Saviya” To Benefit The Farming Communities



Hatton National Bank (HNB) has been providing financial services to the rural community covering a wide and extensive area focusing on agriculture, agri processing, animal husbandry, fisheries, trading and other self-employment projects.

As part of its innovative initiatives to develop the farming community in Sri Lanka HNB launched a new loan scheme “Ran Govi Saviya” targeting the agricultural sector of the nation. “Ran Govi Saviya” was officially launched at Tissamaharama by Rajendra Theagarajah, Managing Director/ CEO of HNB, and M S S Dharmawardena, Guest of Honour, and Additional Director – Regional Development, Central Bank of Sri Lanka. Chandula Abeywickrema, Deputy General Manager – Marketing and Retail Banking, R M P Dayawansa, Assistant General Manager – Specialised Financial

Services, senior bank officials and the farming community in and around the Tissamaharama area were present at the event.

Chandula Abeywickrema stated that the primary objective of “Ran Govi Saviya” is to make today’s unsecure farmer get into a more firm footing with a sense of security. Finance will be provided to the farmer by way of a loan in exchange for their gold. He further elaborated and highlighted as to how significantly this will contribute towards developing Sri Lanka’s rural agricultural economy with a great focus on tapping the latent talent of the Sri Lankan farmer. The main attraction of this new scheme is that it will be offered at a very low interest rate of eight percent thus making it very popular amongst the farming community.

