

# HNB Ranked among Sri Lanka's Top 5 Corporates by Business Today

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*President Ranil Wickremesinghe presenting Jonathan Alles, Managing Director/CEO, HNB, with the Business Today award.*

HNB's commitment to banking excellence and its resilient performance over the past year helped to secure a top five position on Business Today's Top 40 for 2021-2022.

"Over the past four years, Sri Lanka has been challenged and tested like never before. HNB's performance in that time is a testament to the power of adaptability. In responding to the crisis, our organization prioritized assistance to SMEs, organizations, and individuals most in need, while doubling down on our efforts to drive radical digital transformation across every aspect of the bank.

"Our performance in this year's Business Today rankings is a powerful validation of that journey, and we take this opportunity to extend our sincere gratitude to the HNB team and our valued customers for powering our success at such a crucial

moment. Moving forward, we remain committed to delivering seamless and frictionless banking experiences and support our nation's collective mission to revive and rejuvenate our economy," Jonathan Alles, Managing Director and CEO, HNB, stated.

HNB's ranking was based on its strong financial performance, pioneering digital transformation initiatives, and extensive support for communities, enterprises, and individuals impacted by Sri Lanka's economic crisis. By the end of the year, HNB maintained assets, advances, and deposits above one trillion rupees, during which time deposits grew by over 30 percent Year-on-Year (YoY) to 1.4 trillion rupees. HNB has been regularly featured among the Top 10 of Business Today's rankings since they were first launched in 1997. Business Today's Top 40 Rankings were compiled following a series of stringent evaluations of all applicants by a panel of respected corporate sector veterans. Each of the nominees for this year's rankings was assessed on their quality of growth, corporate governance, and long-term vision.