Quarterly Debt Bulletin | Q2 2025

Overview of Current Debt Profile

This Debt Bulletin reports on the debt performance of Seychelles over the first two quarters of 2025. Table 1 below illustrates the general financial position of the total debt stock during the two aforementioned quarters, whereby in the second quarter the total debt stock declined by SCR 324m, equivalent to minus 1.8%. This change is largely attributed to the high repayment of loans and securities including the maturity of the '5-year Solidarity Bond' that was issued in 2020. The repayment of this bond within the domestic debt profile is a major contributor to the 25.8% decrease compared to the figures from first quarter. In addition to the repayments, there were disbursements under the existing loan facility, namely, the Exim India Line of Credit and the IMF budget support programmes- RSF and EFF. Further details are provided in a later section.

In terms of the total debt composition, similar to the last quarter, the external debt stock remains the main component with about 53% shares in comparison to the domestic debt stock which accounts for the remaining 47%.

Table 1: Total Debt by residency of creditors

Description	Q1 2025 (SCR' M)	Q2 2025 (SCR' M)	% Diff	Q2 2025 (% of GDP)
Domestic	8,944	8,478	-5.2	25.8
o.w. Government	8,351	7,868	-5.8	23.9
o.w. Guarantees	593	610	2.9	1.9
External	9,534	9,675	1.5	29.4
o.w. Government	9,344	9,478	1.4	28.8
o.w. Guarantees	190	198	4.2	0.6
Total Debt	18,478	18,154	-1.8	55.2

Source: Ministry of Finance, National Planning & Trade

Table 2 provides a summary of the total Government and Government guaranteed debt. Government debt accounts for 95.5% of the total debt stock in contrast to guaranteed debt at 4.5%. Government debt decreased by SCR 349m or 2%, while the Government guaranteed debt increased slightly by SCR 25m, equivalent to 3.2%, against the first quarter on account of an additional SCR 50m loan guarantee in favour of DBS undertaken by the government. This was offset by the scheduled repayments.

Table 2: Comparison of Total Debt by Guarantee Status

Description	Q1 2025 (SCR' M)	Q2 2025 (SCR' M)	% Diff	Diff (SCR' M)	
Government	17,695	17,346	-2.0	-349	
Guarantees	783	808	3.2	25	
Total Debt	18,478	18,154	-1.8	-324	

Source: Ministry of Finance, National Planning & Trade

External Debt Profile

Table 3, illustrates the changes per category within the external debt profile. The overall debt stock was valued at SCR 9.5bn as at the end of March 2025 and it increased to SCR 9.6bn by the end of June. This growth is attributed mainly to ongoing disbursements and foreign exchange fluctuations. Although the Government did not undertake any new external loan facilities in the second quarter, there were disbursements under two multilateral IMF budget support programmes and further under the existing bilateral agreement with the 'Exim India Credit Line'. The total disbursements came to USD 13.98m. With the exception of Multilateral and Private categories, the debt stock in all other categories decreased. This is associated with ongoing debt repayments during the quarter.

The overall growth in the external debt stock was also marginally influenced by the slight depreciation of the Seychelles rupee, with the USD valued at SCR 14.65 by the end of the second quarter, compared to SCR 14.62 at the end of the first quarter.

Table 3: Total debt by Creditor Category

Description	Q1 2025	Q2 2025	%
Description	(SCR' M)	(SCR' M)	Diff
Multilateral	7,924	8,104	2.3
Bilateral o.w.	972	944	-2.9
Paris Club	441	425	-3.5
Non-Paris Club	531	519	-2.3
Commercial Banks	172	160	-7.0
Private	466	467	0.3
Total	9,534	9,675	1.5

Source: Ministry of Finance, National Planning & Trade

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The distribution of creditors within the external debt stock is shown in Figure 1 below. As illustrated, similar to quarter one, multilateral loans represent the largest portion at 84%, followed by Bilateral, Private creditors and Commercial banks at 10%, 5% and 1% respectively.

Commercial Banks
1%
Bilateral
10%

Multilateral
84%

Figure 1: Percentage distribution by Creditor Category

Source: Ministry of Finance, National Planning & Trade

Table 4 provides a brief overview of the External Debt Stock in terms of loans and securities. The Loans category represents 95%, making it the main component of the external debt stock.

Table 4: External Debt by Instrument Type

Description	Q1 2025 (SCR' M)	Q2 2025 (SCR' M)	% Diff
Loans	9,023	9,163	1.6
Securities	511	512	0.3
Total Debt	9,534	9,675	1.5

Source: Ministry of Finance, National Planning & Trade

Domestic Debt Profile

The Government managed to satisfactorily achieve the anticipated Domestic Debt Stock performance for quarter two through maintaining an unwavering compliance to its debt management operational strategies and executing weekly forecasted T-bills, issuing one T-bond and consistent timely repayments of matured securities and loans.

The overview of the domestic debt profile is illustrated in Table 5 which shows the second quarter standing at SCR 8.5bn. This equates to a SCR 466m decrease in comparison to the previous quarter. The debt disparity between the respective quarters is evident within the category of securities whereby the gross percentage difference is minus 6.1%, or SCR 495m. This change is attributed primarily to the retirements of maturing T-bills and the maturity on the 5-year 'Solidarity T-bond' issued in 2020 during the COVID-19 pandemic. On the other hand, there was an increase of 3.8%, from SCR 788m to SCR 818m in the loans category owing largely to an additional DBS loan guarantee with Seychelles Commercial Bank, as per guarantee commitment under the ABP. This was partially offset by ongoing repayments. To note the sub-category for deposits and other debt liabilities remained the same.

Table 5: Domestic Debt by Instrument Type

Description	Q1 2025 (SCR' M)	Q2 2025 (SCR' M)	% Diff
Loans	788	818	3.8
Securities of which;	8,125	7,630	-6.1
T-bills	2,029	1,904	-6.2
T-bonds	5,726	5,383	-6
Deposits	<i>4</i> 5	45	0
Others	325	298	-8.4
Other Debt Liabilities	31	31	0
Total Debt	8,944	8,478	-5.2

Source: Ministry of Finance, National Planning & Trade

Figure 2 below provides a summary of the distribution of Government securities within the domestic debt stock at the end of the second quarter of 2025. Comparable to the previous quarter, the category for 'Commercial Banks' accounted for the largest share at 56%, followed by the 'Others', Commercial Banks' and 'CBS' at 22%, 17% and 5% respectively.

Others
22%

Other
Financial
Institutions
5%

Commercial
Banks 17%

CBS
56%

Figure 2: Percentage distribution of Government Securities

Source: Ministry of Finance, National Planning & Trade

Interest Rates on T-bills

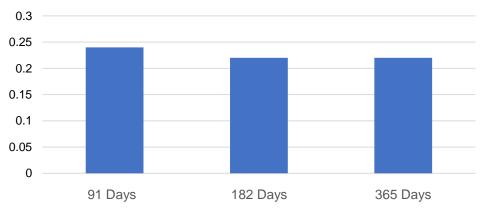
The interest variations in T-bills during the first and second quarters of 2025 are illustrated in Table 6 and Figure 3. The rates increased slightly within all three tenors at an average rate of 23 basis points only, which remains favorable for the domestic debt stock value.

Table 6: Interest Rates on T-bills

T-bills	Intere	Interest Rates		
	Q1 2025	Q2 2025		
91 Days	2.18	2.42	0.24	
182 Days	2.31	2.53	0.22	
365 Days	2.40	2.62	0.22	

Source: Ministry of Finance, National Planning & Trade

Figure 3: % change in average T-bills Rate (Q1 2025 vs Q2 2025)



Source: Ministry of Finance, National Planning & Trade

Total T-bills issued in the second quarter is worth SCR 184m which represents an increase of 67.3% from the previous quarter. This reflects Government's higher financing need during the quarter to meet its expenditure as per approved Budget plan.

Table 7: T-bills issued (Q1 2025 vs Q2 2025)

Description	Q1 2025 (SCR' m)	Q2 2025 (SCR' m)	% Change
T-bills issued	110 ¹	184	67.3

Source: Ministry of Finance, National Planning & Trade

Debt in Q2

On 26th May 2025, Government issued a single 7-year T-bond worth SCR 100m at a coupon rate of 4.6%. The Bond was oversubscribed at SCR 182m, of which SCR 117.2m was allotted. Competitive bidders accounted for 85.3% of the allotment, while the remaining 14.7% was allocated to non-competitive bidders.

Table 8: T-bond issued in Q2

Description	Amount (SCR' M)	Coupon Rate (%)
7-yr T-bond	117.2	4.60
Total	117.2	4.60

Source: Ministry of Finance, National Planning & Trade

As was previously highlighted, there was a newly guaranteed DBS loan during the second quarter of 2025 worth SCR 50m.

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¹ Revised Figures

External Borrowings

The Government received external disbursements of USD 13.98m valued at 0.04% of GDP under the existing loan facility of Exim India Line of Credit, the IMF RSF and IMF EFF budget support programmes. Table 9 below illustrates the external details pertaining to the funds disbursed.

Table 9: Existing External borrowings as at June 2025

Description	Loan Amount (USD' M)	Amount Disbursed (USD' M)	Amount Disbursed (% of GDP)
May- 'Exim India-Line of Credit USD 10.00m (SPTC)'	10.0	0.29	0.00
June IMF- 'Extended Fund Facility 2 (2023)'	42.37	8.35	0.02
June IMF- 'Resilience and Sustainability Facility (RSF)'	34.35	5.34	0.02
Total	86.72	13.98	0.04

Source: Ministry of Finance, National Planning & Trade