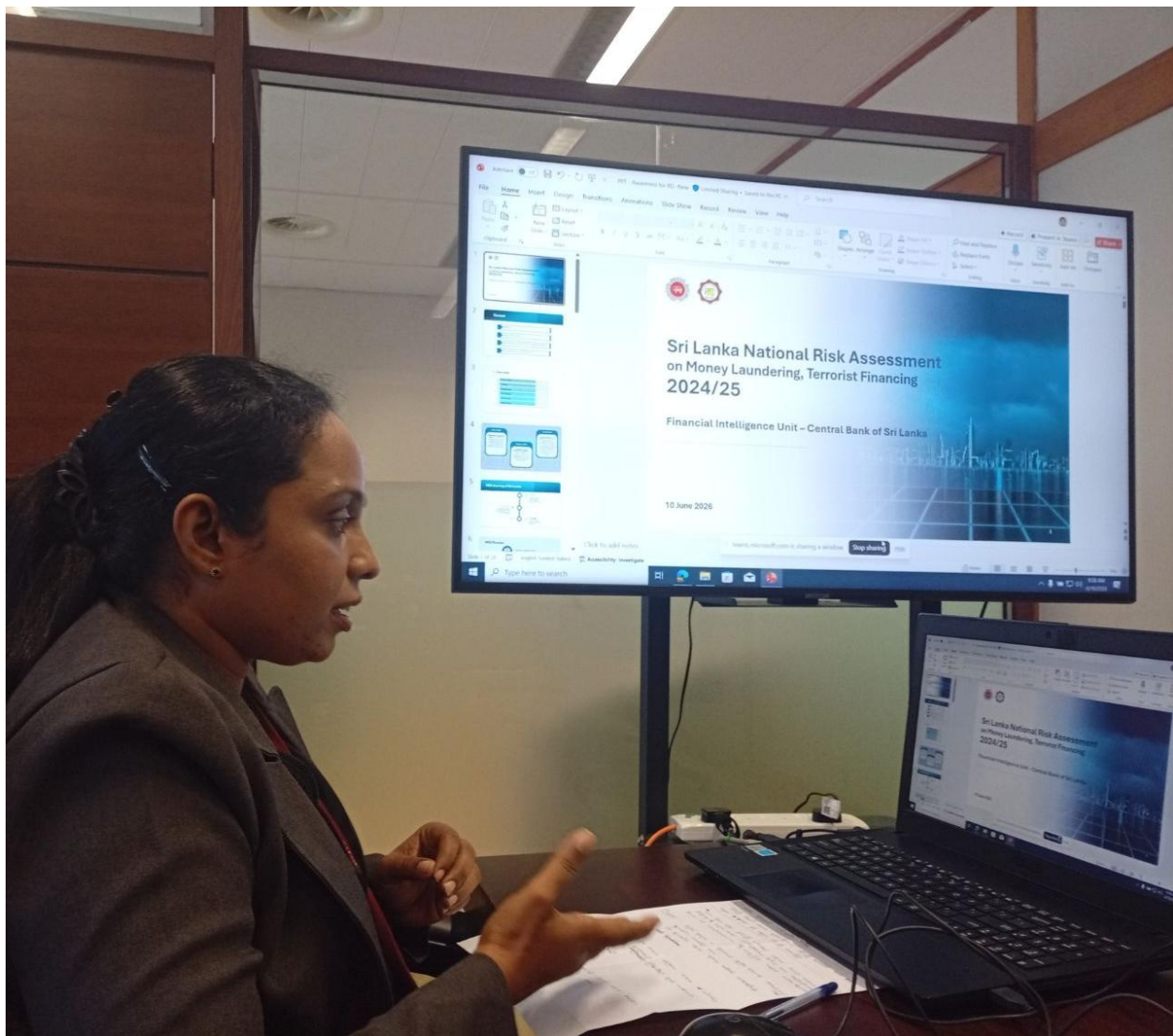


## AML/CFT Awareness Programmes for Authorized Money Changers - 2026

The Department of Foreign Exchange (DFE), Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL), in collaboration with the Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) of the CBSL, continued its efforts to strengthen AML/CFT awareness among Authorized Money Changers (AMCs) through a series of virtual awareness programmes conducted during 2026. Details of the programme are given in below.

An Awareness Programme on the National Risk Assessment (NRA) 2024/2025 for AMCs was successfully conducted virtually on June 10, 2026. The primary objective of the programme was to enhance awareness among the sector regarding the findings of the NRA 2024/2025.



The session was conducted by Mrs. Hashini Rangika, Head of the Financial Institutions Supervision Division, FIU, and Mrs. Ama Premathilaka, Senior Assistant Director, FIU. The programme covered an overview of the NRA 2024/2025, key findings of the assessment, special features of the NRA 2024/2025, key considerations for the ME, comparisons with previous NRAs, and the ML risk assessment of the Restricted Dealers sector.

A total of 85 compliance officers and staff attended the programme, reflecting the sector's commitment to strengthening AML/CFT compliance and risk awareness.

In addition, a virtual Awareness Session on the Identification and Reporting of Suspicious Transactions was conducted for AMCs on April 30, 2026, by Mr. Chandima Bandara, Head of the Intelligence Management Division, FIU. The programme focused on enhancing the sector's understanding of suspicious transaction indicators, reporting obligations, and the STR submission process. A total of 63 AMCs participated in the session.

Further, a virtual Awareness Session on Proliferation Financing was conducted for AMCs on March 13, 2026, by Mr. Ayoj Induranga, Head of the Financial Data Management Division, FIU. The programme provided participants with an understanding of proliferation financing risks, relevant international obligations, and preventive measures. A total of 93 officials participated in the session, representing AMCs.

These virtual awareness programmes demonstrate the continued commitment of the DFE and FIU to enhancing the AML/CFT and CPF knowledge of the AMCs sector.