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The concept of unconscionability is a ground which adversely affects the free nature of contracts, including consumer contracts. In many countries, concept of unconscionability has been identified by the written law and such contracts are prohibited. In Australian law unconscionable consumer contracts are specifically prohibited and consumers are given much protection. In Sri Lanka the concept of unconscionability has not been identified in any written law and also in the consumer law. Due to the reason no protection is provided to the consumers to prevent them being subjected to unconscionable contracts. When carefully examine the data gathered, it was revealed that most of the consumers in Sri Lanka are subject to unconscionable consumer contracts and they are adversely affected. However, no remedy is available under the Sri Lankan Law. Hence it is required to introduce new law to Sri Lanka with regard to consumer protection law, and enhance the awareness of the consumers as well as the legal practitioners to protect every consumer in the country.