

COLOMBO TEA AUCTION - SALE OF 01ST/ 03RD JUNE 2015

SALE NO: 21

TEA MARKET

FAIR DEMAND AT IRREGULAR RATES

HIGH GROWN TEAS

BOP

Best Western's declined Rs. 10-15/- per kg and more following quality. Teas in the below best category declined up to Rs 20/- per kg and were often difficult of sale whilst the plainer sorts were absorbed at irregular rates following quality. Nuwara Eliya's declined up to Rs. 20/- per kg following quality whilst the poorest were difficult of sale. Uva/Udapussellawa's were sold around last week's levels though irregular following quality.

BOPF

Teas in the best and below best category were irregular following quality. Plainer sorts gained Rs. 10-15/- per kg and more as the sale progressed. Nuwara Eliya BOPF's decline Rs. 20-30/- per kg. Uva/Udapussellawa's were irregularly firm.

UNORTHODOX TEAS(CTC)

HIGH GROWN

BP1s - Gained Rs. 10/- per kg. PF1s -firm.

MEDIUM GROWN

BP1s - irregular. PF1s - Firm whilst the poorest were difficult of sale.

OFF GRADES

FGS1/FGS

Best liquorings in the High and Medium category were dearer Rs.5-10/- per kg whilst below best varieties too were dearer by Rs. 10-15/- per kg. Poorer sorts were easier Rs.10-15/- per kg and more at times. Low Growns - Best varieties were easier Rs.10/- per kg whilst below best and poorer sorts too were easier Rs.10-15/- per kg and more at times. CTC's - Best varieties were dearer Rs 10-15/- per kg, whilst below best too were dearer Rs.5-10/- per kg. Poorer sorts were easier Rs.5-10/- per kg.

DUSTS

DUST1

Select best primaries sold at last levels. Few High Grown DUST1's in the best category gained Rs.15-20/- per kg following special inquiry. Balance along with the below best varieties declined Rs.25-30/- per kg. Poorest on offer declined further. Best CTC's declined Rs.15-20/- per kg and more. Below best declined to a lesser extent. Poorest on offer declined Rs.25-30/- per kg and were discounted. Low Growns declined Rs.10-15/- per kg. Below best declined further. Poorer sorts declined Rs.20- per kg.

DUST

Clean secondaries were firm to irregularly lower. Below best declined Rs.10-15/- per kg. Poorest on offer declined further. Better CTC's declined Rs.15-20/- per kg. Poorer sorts declined further and were discounted. Better Low Growns were irregular and mostly lower. Poorest on offer declined Rs.15-20/- per kg.

LOW GROWN TEAS

FBOP/ FBOP1

A few select best FBOP's were firm to dearer. Teas in the best category declined. A few cleaner below best sorts too were firm. Others and teas at the bottom were lower. Select best FBOP1's were firm. All others were irregularly lower.

BOP

Select best and best were firm to dearer. Below best and bottom were lower.

BOP1

A selection of better BOP1's were firm. Other high priced teas were irregular following quality. Balance were fully firm to marginally dearer.

OP1

Select best OP1's were irregular. Others were fully firm to irregularly dearer. At the lower end prices, though irregular, were firm.

OP

Better OP's were firm. Others were barely steady following quality. At the lower end too prices were firm to marginally easier.

OPA

Better OPA's in general were firm. Others were easier Rs. 5-10/- per kg.

PEKOE

Better PEK/PEK1's were firm to irregularly dearer. Others particularly the bolder PEK's gained Rs. 10-20/- per kg. At the lower end too prices were generally firm to dearer.

BOPF *Best BOPF's maintained. Others were irregularly lower.*

**FBOPF/
FBOPF1** *Very tippy teas were firm. Best lower. Below best and bottom were firm. Select best and best FBOPF1's were firm to dearer. A few cleaner below best sorts maintained. All others were lower.*

Information source: Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers.