Colombo Tea Auction - Sale Of 14th/15th July 2015

SALE NO: 27

TEA MARKET

GOOD DEMAND

HIGH GROWN TEAS

BOP

Best Western's where quality was maintained gained Rs. 10-20/- per kg and more whilst the others together with teas in the below best category were irregular. Plainer sorts sold around last week's levels. Nuwara Eliya's were irregular following quality. Udapussellawa's were mostly unsold and where sold were Rs. 5-10/- per kg easier. Uva's-well made coloury sorts were firm whilst the others declined Rs. 20/- per kg and more.

BOPF

Best Western's gained Rs. 20/- per kg. In the below best category brighter sorts gained Rs. 20/- per kg and more following quality whilst the others appreciated Rs. 10-20/- per kg. Plainer clean leaf types were Rs. 20-30/- per kg dearer whilst the others were firm and dearer to a lesser extent. Nuwara Eliya's declined Rs. 20/- per kg and more. Udapussellawa's gained Rs. 10-20/- per kg and more following quality. Uva's gained Rs. 10-30/- per kg and more following quality.

UNORTHODOX TEAS(CTC)

HIGH GROWN

BP1s – Gained Rs. 10-20/- per kg. PF1s – Clean leaf types gained Rs. 20/- per kg. Others gained Rs. 10- 20/- per kg.

MEDIUM GROWN

BP1s – Generally firm. PF1s – Coloury types were Rs. 10-20/- per kg dearer. Others irregular and dearer to a lesser extent.

OFF GRADES

FGS1/FGS

Best liquorings in the High & Medium category commenced firm and gained Rs.10-15/- per kg towards the closure of the sale. Below best and poorer sorts too were dearer Rs.10-15/- per kg. CTC's – Best varieties were substantially dearer. Cleaner varieties in the below best category were dearer Rs.20/- per kg whilst others were irregularly dearer.

DUSTS

DUST1

Select best primaries declined Rs.20-30/- per kg. Few High Grown DUST1's in the best category gained Rs.15-20/ per kg. Balance sold at last levels. Below best varieties gained Rs.15-20/- per kg and more following quality. Balance along with the poorer sorts were firm to irregularly lower. Best Medium's were firm to Rs.5-10/- per kg lower. Others sold at last levels. Best and below best CTC's were firm to lower by Rs. 10-20/- per kg. Poorer sorts declined further. Best Low Growns declined Rs.15-20/- per kg. Below best too followed a similar trend. Poorer sorts were irregular and mostly lower.

DUST

Clean secondaries were firm. Below best declined Rs.5-10/- per kg. Poorest on offer gained sharply. CTC's were irregular and mostly lower. Better Low Growns were firm. Others irregularly lower.

LOW GROWN TEAS

FBOP/	A few select best FBOP's appreciated. Balance firm. A few cleaner below best too
FBOP1	appreciated. All others were firm on last.

BOP Select best and best were firm. Balance irregular.

BOP1 Better BOP1's were fully firm to selectively dearer. Others particularly the cleaner sorts were firm. Balance were barely steady.

OP1 Select best OP1's were irregular and lower. A range of improved/ clean below best were firm. Balance were mostly lower.

<u>**OP**</u> Select best OP's were barely steady. Others and a range of clean/improved below best were firm. All others were irregular and lower.

OPA Better OPA's were generally firm. Others declined Rs. 5-10/- per kg.

PEKOE Select best PEK/PEK1's were firm to irregularly dearer. Bold PEK's too were fully firm. Balance were irregular and often lower.

BOPF In general dearer.

FBOPF/ FBOPF1

Except for a few select best FBOPF1's which sold on last levels, others were irregular. Very tippy teas continued to attracted good demand. Best sold around last levels. A few clean below best and clean teas at the bottom appreciated. Balance firm.

Information source: Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers.