COLOMBO TEA AUCTION - SALE OF 28TH & 29TH AUGUST 2018

SALE NO: 34

FAIR DEMAND MOSTLY AT EASIER RATES

HIGH GROWN TEAS

- **BOP** Best Westerns declined Rs.30-50/- per kg and more for select high priced teas of last week. Teas in the below best category declined Rs.20-30/- per kg. Plainer sorts were irregular. Nuwara Eliyas were irregularly easier. Udapussellawas were firm. Uva seasonal teas were irregular following quality, coloury sorts were Rs.20-30/- per kg lower.
- **BOPF** Best Westerns were Rs.20/- per kg easier. Teas in the below best category were irregular. Plainer sorts were firm. Nuwara Eliyas were Rs.20-30/- per kg easier. Udapussellawas were firm and Rs.10- 20/- per kg dearer for the clean leaf teas. Uva seasonal teas few select invoices sold well following special inquiry, others were difficult of sale. Coloury sorts select high priced teas were substantially easier, others were firm.

UNORTHODOX TEAS(CTC)

HIGH BP1s - Firm. PF1s - Rs.20/- per kg easier.

<u>GROWN</u>

<u>MEDIUM</u> <u>GROWN</u> BP1s - Difficult of sale. PF1s - Rs.20/- per kg easier.

OFF GRADES

FGS1/FGS Few select best invoices sold around last week's levels whilst others declined Rs.10-15/- per kg. Below best varieties were lower Rs.15-20/- per kg following quality. Poorer sorts were firm on last. Low Growns in general declined Rs.10/- per kg. CTC's were firm on last.

DUSTS

DUST-1 Select best primaries firm to irregularly lower. Dust1's in the best and below best categories where quality was maintained, were firm to irregularly lower. Balance declined Rs. 30-40/- per kg and more. Others and poorer sorts declined further. Best Mediums declined Rs. 30-40/- per kg. Others declined further. Select best CTC's declined sharply. Best and below best declined Rs. 20-30/- per kg and more. Poorest on offer declined further and were mostly unsellable. A selection of best Low Grown's gained sharply following quality. Balance

along with the below best declined Rs. 20-30/- per kg and more. Poorer sorts declined further.

DUST Clean secondaries declined Rs. 20-30/- per kg and more. Below best declined to a lesser extent. Poorer sorts declined sharply and were mostly discounted. Better CTC's declined Rs, 20-30/- per kg. Others declined further. Better Low Grown's declined Rs. 20/- per kg and more. Others declined sharply and were mostly discounted.

LOW GROWN TEAS

Few select best FBOP's were firm to dearer. Well made teas in the best together with the cleaner below best maintained. Others were irregular and at FBOP/ times lower. Best FBOP1's maintained. Others were irregular. FBOP1 Select best were firm. Others and teas at the bottom were irregularly lower. BOP Select best though irregular were firm. Others and a range of clean/improved B<u>OP1</u> below best were fully firm to dearer. At the lower end too prices gained. Select best together with improved below best gained. Others though irregular OP1 were generally firm. At the lower end prices gained Rs.10-15/- per kg. A few select best though irregular were firm. Others were lower. At the lower end cleaner types gained. Balance were firm. OP A few select best were fully firm to irregularly dearer. Others declined Rs.10-<u>OPA</u> 15/- per kg and more. At the lower end cleaner types gained Rs.5-10/ per kg. Others were firm. Select best PEK1's together with a limited selection of well made PEK's were fully firm to irregularly dearer. All others declined with the teas at the lower PEKOE end declining fairly sharply. A small selection of well made teas maintained. Others were lower. BOPF Well made teas with a good show of tip were firm. Best tended irregular. Below best maintained. Teas at the bottom were irregularly lower. Few select best FBOPF/ FBOPF1 FF1's maintained. Best sold around last levels. Cleaner below best were firm. Others together with teas at the bottom were lower.

Information source: Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers.

TOP PRICES FOR THE WEEK

SALE OF 28 TH & 29 TH AUGUST 2018		SALE NO. 34	
MARK	REGION	GRADE	PRICE
Kenilworth	Western Medium	BOPS	860/-
Vellaioya	Western Medium	BOPF	670/-
Waltrim	Western High	BOP PEK	770/- 660/-
Carolina	CTC Medium	PF-1 BPS	540/- 490/-
Strathdon	CTC Medium	BP-1	490/-
Florence	CTC High	PF-1	530/-

• <u>All-time record price.</u>