

COLOMBO TEA AUCTION - SALE OF 8TH & 9TH JANUARY 2019

SALE NO: 02

IMPROVED DEMAND, PARTICULARLY FOR THE BETTER TEAS.

HIGH GROWN TEAS

BOP

Best Westerns - select invoices gained Rs.20/- per kg and more. Teas in the below best category were irregular following quality. Plainer sorts were firm. Nuwara Eliyas together with Udapussellawas sold around last levels. Uvas - few select teas were dearer by Rs.20/- per kg and more, others were firm.

BOPF

Best Westerns gained Rs.20/- per kg and more for the limited availability. Teas in the below best category were irregular following quality. Plainer clean leaf teas were up to Rs.20/- per kg dearer, others were irregular and difficult of sale. Nuwara Eliyas were firm and Rs.20-30/- per kg dearer following special inquiry. Udapussellawas were firm and Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer, selectively for the better leaf teas. Uvas - better teas were Rs.20-30/- per kg dearer, others were irregular.

UNORTHODOX TEAS(CTC)

HIGH GROWN

BP1/ PF1s - Firm and tended dearer.

MEDIUM GROWN

BP1/ PF1s - Firm and tended dearer.

OFF GRADES

FGS1/FGS

Best together with below best varieties were firm to Rs. 10/- per kg lower whilst poorer sorts too declined Rs. 10-15/- per kg. Low Grown - Best together with below best varieties were firm on last whilst poorer sorts declined Rs. 15-20/- per kg. CTC's in general gained Rs. 10-15/- per kg.

DUSTS

DUST-1

Select best primaries gained sharply following quality and inquiry. Best followed a similar trend. Improved teas in the below best gained Rs.20-30/- per kg and above. Balance sold at last levels. Others and poorer sorts were irregularly lower and discounted. Best mediums gained Rs.10-20/- per kg and

more following quality. Others sold at last levels. Select best CTC's gained sharply following special inquiry. Balance irregularly dearer. Best and below best gained Rs.10-20/- per kg. Poorest on offer firm to irregularly dearer. Better Low Grown declined Rs.10-20/- per kg. Below best sold at last levels. Poorest on offer were irregular and mostly lower.

DUST

Few clean secondaries which were available gained sharply. Below best gained Rs.10-20/- per kg. Poorer sorts too followed a similar trend. CTC's gained Rs.10-15/- per kg and more. Better Low Grown sold at last levels. Others were irregular and mostly lower.

LOW GROWN TEAS

**FBOP/
FBOP1**

Select best and best FBOP's firm. Cleaner below best and cleaner teas at the bottom appreciated. Others sold around last levels. FBOP1's in general firm to dearer.

BOP

Select best and best BOP's eased. Cleaner teas in the below best and bottom appreciated. Others firm.

BOP1

Select best were firm to irregularly dearer. All others gained Rs.10-15/- per kg and more.

OP1

Select best were fully firm to dearer whilst others and improved below best gained substantially. At the lower end too prices were dearer to last.

OP

A few select best maintained. Other high priced teas were barely steady. Balance were fully firm to selectively dearer.

OPA

A selection of better made teas were fully firm. Others were barely steady. At the lower end prices were fully firm to dearer.

PEKOE

Select best PEK/PEK1's though irregular were firm. Others particularly the bolder types were irregular and lower particularly towards the close. Balance were fully firm to dearer.

BOPF

Select best maintained. Best and below best together with teas at the bottom were easier.

**FBOPF/
FBOPF1**

Very tippy teas maintained. Balance declined. Select best and best FF1's declined. Cleaner teas in the below best and bottom were firm to dearer. Others sold around last levels.

Information source: Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers.

TOP PRICES FOR THE WEEK

SALE OF 8 TH & 9 TH JANUARY 2019		SALE NO. 02	
MARK	REGION	GRADE	PRICE
Vellaioya	Western Medium	BOPF	600/-
Carolina	CTC Medium	PF-1	640/-
Strathdon	CTC Medium	BP-1	540/-

- All-time record price.