

# COLOMBO TEA AUCTION - SALE OF 12<sup>TH</sup> & 13<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2019

## SALE NO: 11

**IMPROVED DEMAND.**

### HIGH GROWN TEAS

#### BOP

*Best Westerns – select high priced teas were mostly easier whilst the others were firm and Rs.10- 20/- per kg dearer. Teas in the below best category gained Rs.10-20/- per kg and more following special inquiry whilst teas at the lower end gained Rs.20/- per kg and more. Nuwara Eliyas were irregular and easier following quality. Udupussellawas – hardly any teas on offer. Uvas - select invoices were substantially dearer whilst the others were firm and Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer.*

#### BOPE

*Best Westerns - select high priced teas were irregularly easier whilst the others particularly the coloury sorts together with teas in the below best category were Rs.20-30/- per kg dearer. At the lower end, clean leaf teas were Rs.30-40/- per kg dearer whilst the others were irregular. Nuwara Eliyas were irregular. Udupussellawas were Rs.10-20/- per kg easier following quality. Uvas - few select invoices sold well whilst the others were irregular and easier following quality.*

### UNORTHODOX TEAS(CTC)

#### HIGH GROWN

*BP1 - Difficult of sale. PF1s - Teas in the higher price bracket were substantially easier whilst the others were Rs.20-30/- per kg easier.*

#### MEDIUM GROWN

*BP1- Barely steady. PF1s - Firm and Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer.*

### OFF GRADES

#### FGS1/FGS

*Best together with below best varieties commenced firm and gained Rs.15-20/- per kg towards the closure of the sale whilst poorer sorts were firm to Rs.10/- per kg lower. Low Growns in general gained Rs.10/- per kg. CTC's too were dearer Rs.10/- per kg.*

### DUSTS

#### DUST-1

*Select best primaries gained Rs.10-20/- per kg. High Grown Dust1's in the best and below best categories gained sharply following quality and special inquiry. Balance firm to irregularly lower. Others and poorer sorts declined*

Rs.20/- per kg and more and were mostly discounted. Better Mediums gained Rs.10-20/- per kg and more following quality. Others and poorer sorts declined by a similar margin. Select CTC's gained Rs.10-20/- per kg. Best and below best irregularly dearer to a lesser extent. Poorest on offer sold at last levels. Better Low Grows declined sharply. Below best declined Rs.10-20/- per kg. Poorer sorts firm to irregularly lower.

**DUST**

Clean secondaries declined Rs.10-20/- per kg and more. Others and poorer sorts followed a similar trend. Better CTC's firm to irregularly dearer. Poorer sorts declined Rs.10-20/- per kg. Low Grows declined Rs.20/- per kg and more.

**LOW GROWN TEAS**

**FBOP/  
FBOP1**

Select best FBOP's appreciated. Best firm to dearer. Bolder below best varieties were dearer. Others declined following quality. Best and cleaner below best FBOP1's were firm to dearer. Others declined.

**BOP**

Select best and best were dearer. Few cleaner teas at the bottom too maintained. Others were easier.

**BOP1**

A range of select best BOP1's firm. Others together with below best sorts were easier Rs.10-20/- per kg. At the lower end prices were mostly firm on last.

**OP1**

Select best though irregular were firm. Others and improved below best sorts were dearer. At the lower end prices were fully firm on last.

**OP**

Select best maintained. Others and a range of improved below best gained marginally. At the lower end too cleaner types were fully firm. Others were irregular.

**OPA**

High priced OPA's were fully firm to marginally dearer. Others and improved below best gained Rs.10-15/- per kg and more. At the lower end too prices were fully firm to dearer.

**PEKOE**

Select best PEK's together with a selection of bolder types were fully firm to selectively dearer. Others were irregularly lower. Well made PEK1's barely steady. Selection of improved best and below best sorts were firm to dearer. At the lower end prices were barely steady.

**BOPF**

Few select best were firm to dearer. Best maintained. Few cleaner teas in the below best sold on last levels. Others and teas at the bottom eased.

**FBOPF/  
FBOPF1**

Very tippy teas were dearer. Best and below best too gained. Cleaner teas at the bottom appreciated. Others were irregularly lower. Select best FF1's and a few well made teas in the best were firm. Cleaner teas at the bottom were firm to dearer. Others were discounted.

Information source: Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers.

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## TOP PRICES FOR THE WEEK

SALE OF 12 <sup>TH</sup> & 13 <sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2019		SALE NO. 11	
MARK	REGION	GRADE	PRICE
Carolina	CTC Medium	BPS	420/-
Strathdon	CTC Medium	PF-1 BP-1	480/- 430/-
Florence	CTC High	BPS	400/-

- All-time record price.