

COLOMBO TEA AUCTION - SALE OF 1ST & 2ND OCTOBER 2019

SALE NO: 39

IMPROVED DEMAND FOR A SELECTION OF BRIGHTER BOPF INVOICES. PLAINER/POOR LEAF TEAS CONTINUED TO BE DISCOUNTED.

HIGH GROWN TEAS

BOP

Best Westerns - few select invoices gained Rs.20-30/- per kg and more following special inquiry whilst the others were irregular. In the below best category, few clean leaf brighter teas gained Rs.10- 20/- per kg whilst the others were irregular. Plainer teas were firm and Rs.10-20/- per kg lower. Nuwara Eliyas were irregular following quality. Udapussellawas - select high priced teas continued to sell well, although at irregular rates whilst the other poorer sorts gained Rs.20/- per kg and more. Uvas sold well with select invoices appreciating following special inquiry.

BOPF

Best Westerns - select high priced teas were barely steady whilst the others gained Rs.20-30/- per kg. In the below best category, brighter sorts gained Rs.30-50/- per kg and more whilst the others were firm and dearer to a lesser extent. Plainer sorts were irregular and barely steady. Nuwara Eliyas gained Rs.50/- per kg and more. Udapussellawas - select high priced teas were irregular whilst the other poorer sorts were Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer. Uvas gained Rs.20-40/- per kg and more for select invoices.

UNORTHODOX TEAS(CTC)

HIGH GROWN

BP1 - Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer. PF1s - Few select invoices sold around last whilst the others were neglected.

MEDIUM GROWN

BP1- Firm to marginally easier. PF1s - Irregular.

OFF GRADES

FGS1/FGS

Best varieties gained Rs.10-20/- per kg. Below best varieties were firm following quality. Poorer sorts declined Rs.10-15/- per kg. Low Grown in general were firm on last. CTC's in general gained Rs.10-15/- per kg.

DUSTS

DUST-1

Select best primaries gained Rs.10-20/- per kg. A selection of Dust1's from the best and below best firm to irregularly dearer following quality and special inquiry. Balance sold at last levels. Others and poorer sorts irregular and

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

DUST

Clean secondaries gained Rs.10-20/- per kg following quality. Below best sold at last levels. Poorest on offer gained Rs.10-20/- per kg. Better CTC's sold at last levels. Others and poorer sorts irregularly lower. Better Low Grown gained Rs.10-20/- per kg and more. Below best and poorer sorts firm to irregularly lower.

LOW GROWN TEAS

**FBOP/
FBOP1**

Select best FBOP's appreciated. Best and cleaner below best were firm to dearer. Cleaner teas at the bottom maintained. Others were lower. Select best and best FBOP1's were firm to dearer, others were irregularly lower.

BOP

Select best and best were firm. Below best and teas at the bottom were easier following quality.

BOP1

In general, dearer by Rs.10-15/- per kg and more particularly for teas in the select best category.

OP1

Well made teas together with a range of clean below best sorts were irregularly dearer. Others and teas at the lower end were firm.

OP

Well made teas were fully firm to dearer. Others and teas at the lower end too were fully firm.

OPA

A range of best together with improved below best gained. Others firm to selectively dearer barring the teas at the lower end which were barely steady.

PEKOE

Select best PEK/PEK1's were fully firm to dearer by Rs.10-20/- per kg and more towards the close of the sale. Others in general were firm.

BOPF

Few select best maintained. Others were irregularly lower in quality.

**FBOPF/
FBOPF1**

Very tippy teas continued to attract good demand. Best and cleaner teas in the below best were firm to dearer. Others were lower. Select best FF1's together with the best were dearer. Cleaner below best too appreciated. Others and teas at the bottom declined following quality.

Information source: Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers.
