

# COLOMBO TEA AUCTION - SALE OF 22<sup>ND</sup> & 23<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER 2019

## SALE NO: 42

*LESS DEMAND.*

### HIGH GROWN TEAS

#### BOP

*Best Westerns - select high priced teas declined Rs.20/- per kg and more whilst the others were firm and often dearer by a similar margin. In the below best category, select brighter invoices were Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer whilst the others were lower by a similar margin. Clean leaf plainer sorts were Rs.10-20/- per kg lower whilst the others were firm. Nuwara Eliya - select improved invoices were substantially dearer whilst the others were difficult of sale. Udapussellawa - select high priced teas were firm and tended dearer whilst the others sold around last. Uvas were mostly firm and dearer.*

#### BOPF

*Best Westerns - select high priced teas were Rs.30-40/- per kg lower on last whilst the others were irregular. Teas in the below best category were Rs.10-20/- per kg lower. At the lower end, prices were mostly firm. Nuwara Eliyas declined Rs.20-30/- per kg. Udapussellawas were Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer following quality. Uvas - select invoices were substantially dearer following special inquiry whilst the others were irregular following quality.*

### UNORTHODOX TEAS(CTC)

#### HIGH GROWN

*BP1 - Gained Rs.20-30/- per kg and more. PF1s - Irregularly dearer.*

#### MEDIUM GROWN

*BP1 - Gained Rs.20-30/- per kg and more. PF1s - Firm and tended dearer.*

### OFF GRADES

#### FGS1/FGS

*Best together with below best varieties declined Rs. 20/- per kg. Poorer sorts were firm to Rs. 10/- per kg. dearer. Low Growns in general gained Rs. 10-15/- per kg. CTC's in general were firm on last.*

### DUSTS

#### DUST-1

*Select best primaries firm. Few High Grown Dust 1's in the best category sold at last levels following quality. Balance irregularly lower. Below best varieties which commenced fully firm on last weeks closing levels declined irregularly towards the closure following demand. Others and poorer sorts firm to irregularly dearer. Better Mediums gained sharply following quality. Balance*

*sold at last levels. Below best too followed a similar trend. Poorest on offer irregular and mostly lower. Select best CTC's declined sharply following inquiry. Best and below best gained Rs. 5-10/- per kg following quality. Others and poorer sorts sold at last levels. Best Low Grown declined Rs. 10-20/- per kg. Few below best varieties sold at last weeks closing levels following quality. Balance declined Rs. 10-20/- per kg. Poorest on offer declined Rs. 10/- per kg and more.*

### **DUST**

*Clean secondaries sold at last levels. Below best declined Rs. 10/- per kg. Poorest on offer gained 10-20/- per kg following quality and inquiry. Better CTC's gained Rs. 10-20/- per kg. Others sold at last levels. Best Low Grown firm on last weeks closing levels. Balance declined Rs. 10-20/- per kg.*

### **LOW GROWN TEAS**

#### **FBOP/ FBOP1**

*Select best and best FBOP's together with cleaner below best and cleaner teas at the bottom appreciated. Balance firm. FBOP1's too in general were firm to dearer.*

#### **BOP**

*Select best and best firm to dearer whilst cleaner below best and cleaner teas at the bottom, appreciated sustainably. Balance firm.*

#### **BOP1**

*A few select best were fully firm whilst other high priced teas were irregular following quality. Others and the teas at the lower end were fully firm to dearer.*

#### **OP1**

*High priced teas were barely steady. Others though irregular were firm. In the below best category, a range of clean/improved teas were fully firm to dearer. Balance were lower following quality.*

#### **OP**

*Better OP's maintained. Others too commenced around last levels but declined towards the close.*

#### **OPA**

*Best and below best types were firm. Others were irregular, particularly where quality was not maintained. At the lower end, cleaner types were firm, balance were easier.*

#### **PEKOE**

*High price PEK/PEK1's were irregular. Others were mostly firm, barring the lower end PEK's which were marginally lower towards the close.*

#### **BOPF**

*Select best and best firm. Balance appreciated.*

#### **FBOPF/ FBOPF1**

*Very tippy teas continued to attract good demand. Best were firm on last. Below best and teas at the bottom appreciated, however the leafy varieties were irregularly lower. Select best and best FF1's were firm to dearer. Cleaner below best and cleaner teas at the bottom appreciated. Balance sold around last levels.*

*Information source: Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers.*

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## TOP PRICES FOR THE WEEK

SALE OF 22 <sup>ND</sup> & 23 <sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER 2019		SALE NO. 42	
MARK	REGION	GRADE	PRICE
Adisham	Western High	BOPF	860/-
Florence	CTC High	BP-1	430/-

- All-time record price.