

COLOMBO TEA AUCTION - SALE OF 6TH & 7TH JANUARY 2020

SALE NO: 01

BETTER IMPROVED DEMAND.

HIGH GROWN TEAS

BOP

Teas in the Best and Below Best category were firm and Rs. 10-20 per kg dearer. At the lower end, clean leaf teas gained Rs. 30-40 per kg, whilst the others were firm and dearer to a lessei extent. Nuwara Eliyas were neglected. Uvas/Uda Pussellawas were barely steady.

BOPF

Best Westerns - select high priced teas were fully firm. Others gained Rs. 20-30 per kg and more for select invoices. In the Below Best category a select range of teas gained substantially following special inquiry. Others gained Rs. 30-40 per kg. At the lower end, clean leaf teas gained Rs. 20-30 per kg and more, whilst the poor leaf sorts sold around last. Nuwara Eliyas were neglected. Uda Pussellawas were firm and tended easier. Uvas - select range of teas substantially dearer following special inquiry. Others were firm and Rs. 20-30 per kg dearer.

UNORTHODOX TEAS(CTC)

HIGH GROWN

BP1 - Substantially dearer. PF1s - Irregular.

MEDIUM GROWN

BP1 - Substantially dearer. PF1s - Select invoice substantially dearer. Others sold around last.

OFF GRADES

FGS1/FGS

Best together with below best varieties declined Rs.10-15/- per kg following quality. Poorer sorts too were lower Rs.10/- per kg. Low grown - Best varieties firm. Below best sorts declined Rs.10/- per kg. Poorer sorts were firm. CTC's in general firm.

DUSTS

DUST-1

Select best primaries sold at last levels. Few High Grown Dust1's in the best category firm to irregularly dearer following quality. Balance declined Rs.10-20/- per kg. Below best too followed a similar trend. Poorest on offer declined Rs.10-20/- per kg and more. Best mediums declined Rs.10-20/- per kg. Others declined further. Few select best CTC's gained sharply following special

Inquiry. Best and below best firm to irregularly lower. Others and poorer sorts declined Rs.10-20/- per kg. Best Low Grown firm. Below best gained Rs.10-20/- per kg and more. Poorest on offer were irregular, mostly lower.

DUST

Clean secondaries declined Rs.20/- and more following quality. Below best sold at last levels. Poorest on offer gained Rs.10-20/- per kg and more. CTC's sold at last levels. Better Low Grown gained Rs.10-20/- per kg. Others were irregular and mostly lower.

LOW GROWN TEAS

**FBOP/
FBOP1**

Select best and best FBOP's together with cleaner below best were firm. Balance irregular. Cleaner teas at the bottom too sold around last levels, others were easier following quality. FBOP1's in general were firm.

BOP

In general firm to dearer.

BOP1

Were fully firm to dearer with a range of select best gaining substantially.

OP1

Select best gained substantially. Others and improved below best gained Rs.10-15/- per kg. At the lower end too prices were dearer to last.

OP

Better OP's gained Rs.10-15/- per kg whilst others were fully firm to dearer.

OPA

Select best were fully firm to dearer whilst others gained Rs.10-15/- per kg and at times more for the improved teas.

PEKOE

Select best PEK/PEK1's maintained. Others particularly the bold PEK's were fully firm. Balance were irregular and lower.

BOPF

Few select best appreciated. Balance together with best were firm. Below best and teas at the bottom were easier following quality.

**FBOPE/
FBOPF1**

Very tippy teas continue to attract good demand. Best together with below best sold around last levels. Few cleaner teas at the bottom were firm. Balance were lower. Few select best FF1's were firm to dearer whilst balance together with best sold at last levels. Cleaner below best and cleaner teas at the bottom too were firm to dearer. Balance were firm on last.

Information source: Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers.

TOP PRICES FOR THE WEEK

SALE OF 6TH & 7TH JANUARY 2020		SALE NO. 01	
MARK	REGION	GRADE	PRICE
Kenilworth	Western Medium	BOPS	860/-
Carolina	CTC Medium	PF-1 BPS	630/- 480/-
Strathdon	CTC Medium	BP-1	460/-

- *All-time record price.*