

# COLOMBO TEA AUCTION - SALE OF 13<sup>TH</sup> & 14<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2020

## SALE NO: 02

**GOOD GENERAL DEMAND AT IRREGULAR RATES FOLLOWING QUALITY.**

### HIGH GROWN TEAS

#### BOP

*Teas in the best category where quality was maintained and/or improved, were firm and gained Rs.20/- per kg and more. In the below best category, select improved teas were substantially dearer following special inquiry whilst the others appreciated Rs.10-20/- per kg. At the lower end of the market too, clean leaf improved liquoring teas were firm and Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer whilst the others were barely steady. Nuwara Eliyas continued to be neglected. Uva/Udapussellawas were generally firm with select invoices gaining substantially following special inquiry.*

#### BOPF

*Best Westerns - select high priced teas of last week were irregular whilst the others were firm and Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer following quality. In the below best category, brighter sorts were firm and Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer whilst the others sold around last. At the lower end, prices were irregular and barely steady. Nuwara Eliyas continued to be neglected. Udapussellawas gained Rs.10-20/- per kg. Uvas - select invoices were substantially dearer whilst the others were firm.*

### UNORTHODOX TEAS(CTC)

#### HIGH GROWN

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

#### MEDIUM GROWN

*BP1 - Gained Rs.10-20/- per kg and more. PF1s - Firm and selectively dearer.*

### OFF GRADES

#### FGS1/FGS

*Best varieties firm to Rs. 10/- per kg dearer. Below best varieties gained Rs. 15-20/- per kg whilst poorer sorts too were dearer Rs. 10/- per kg. Low Growns - Best varieties were firm whilst best below together with poorer sorts gained Rs. 10/- per kg. CTC's in general gained Rs. 10-20/- per kg.*

### DUSTS

#### DUST-1

*Select best primaries firm. Few Dust1's in the best category sold at last levels following quality. Balance irregularly lower. Improved below best varieties gained Rs.10-20/-per kg. Balance firm to irregularly lower. Others and poorer*

sorts too followed a similar trend. Best Mediums gained Rs. 10-20/- per kg following quality. Balance declined by a similar margin and more. Select best CTC's firm to irregularly dearer following quality. Best and below best sold at last levels. Poorer sorts declined Rs 10-20/- per kg. Better Low Grown sold at last levels. Below best gained Rs. 10-20/- per kg and more. Poorer sorts irregular but mostly dearer.

### **DUST**

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

## **LOW GROWN TEAS**

### **FBOP/ FBOP1**

Select best tended irregular. Best and below best eased marginally. Cleaner bolder varieties appreciated. Teas at the bottom too eased.

### **BOP**

Select best tended irregular. Best and below best were marginally lower. Teas at the bottom eased following quality.

### **BOP1**

Better BOP1's were fully firm to dearer. All others gained Rs. 10-15/- per kg and at times more.

### **OP1**

High priced teas were irregular and lower following quality. All others were fully firm to dearer.

### **OP**

Better OP's though irregular were firm. Balance were fully firm to dearer.

### **OPA**

Better OPA's were barely steady. Others and improved below best gained Rs.10-20/- per kg. At the lower end too prices were fully firm to dearer.

### **PEKOE**

Select best PEK/PEK1's though irregular were firm. Others too were mostly firm with a selection of bolder PEK's gaining Rs. 10-15/- per kg at times.

### **BOPF**

Select best on offer were maintained. Best tended irregular. Teas at the bottom were firm.

### **FBOPF/ FBOPF1**

Very tippy teas continued to attract good demand. Best and below best too appreciated. Teas at the bottom were firm. FF1's-Few select best were irregularly lower. Best and below best were marginally lower. Few cleaner teas at the bottom maintained. All others eased.

Information source: Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers.

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## TOP PRICES FOR THE WEEK

SALE OF 13 <sup>TH</sup> & 14 <sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2020		SALE NO. 02	
MARK	REGION	GRADE	PRICE
Florence	CTC High	BP-1	510/-
Carolina	CTC Medium	BPS	490/-
Strathdon	CTC Medium	BP-1	530/-

- All-time record price.