

COLOMBO TEA AUCTION - SALE OF 18TH & 19TH FEBRUARY 2020

SALE NO: 07

FAIR DEMAND

HIGH GROWN TEAS

BOP

Best Westerns - seasonal quality teas gained Rs. 40-60 per kg and more, whilst the others too were dearer but to a lesser extent. In the Below Best category, teas were irregularly lower following quality and the plainer sorts too followed a similar trend. Nuwara Eliyas - limited selection on offer gained sharply. Uda Pussellawas were dearer by Rs. 20-30 per kg and more. Uvas - best varieties were Rs. 30-40 per kg dearer, whilst the others were firm.

BOPE

Best Westerns - a few seasonal quality teas were dearer by Rs. 40-50 per kg and more, whilst the others and Below Best category brighter sorts were dearer by Rs. 20-30 per kg and the balance too were dearer; but to a lesser extent. At the lower end, teas were irregular following quality. Nuwara Eliyas gained sharply. Uda Pussellawas were dearer by Rs. 10-20 per kg and more. Uvas too were dearer by Rs. 10-20 and more.

UNORTHODOX TEAS(CTC)

HIGH GROWN

BP1 - Firm. PFls - Best varieties declined Rs. 30-40 and more, whilst the others were firm.

MEDIUM GROWN

BP1 - Dearer by Rs. 10-20 per kg. PFls - Better varieties were firm. Others declined Rs. 10-20 per kg.

OFF GRADES

FGS1/FGS

Best varieties firm. Below best cleaner varieties were firm whilst others declined Rs. 10 per kg following quality. Poorer sorts were firm on last. Low Growns - Best together with below best varieties declined Rs. 10-20 per kg whilst poorer sorts were firm. CTC's in general declined Rs. 20 per kg.

DUSTS

DUST-1

Select best primaries declined Rs. 20-30 per kg and more. Dust1's in the best category which commenced firm to Rs. 20 per kg lower, declined further towards the closure. Below Best varieties also followed a similar trend but declined sharply towards the closure. Poorer sorts too followed a similar trend.

Better Mediums Rs. 10-20 per kg lower. Others declined further. Few Select Best CTC's gained sharply following special inquiry. Balance declined Rs. 10-20 per kg. Best sold at last levels. Below Best declined Rs. 20-30 and more. Poorer sorts declined by a similar margin and mostly discounted. Better Low Grows sold at last levels. Below Best firm to irregularly lower. Poorer sorts declined Rs. 10-20 and more.

DUST

Clean secondaries sold at last levels. Below best declined Rs. 10-20 per kg and more. Poorer sorts were firm. CTC's declined Rs. 10-20 per kg and more. Others and poorer sorts declined further. Better Low Grows sold at last levels. Others and poorer sorts declined Rs. 10-20 per kg.

LOW GROWN TEAS

**FBOP/
FBOP1**

Few select best FBOP's were firm. Balance were irregularly lower. Best and cleaner below best maintained. Balance were easier following quality. Select best and best FBOP1's were easier. Balance sold around last levels.

BOP

Select best together with best BOP's were easier. Cleaner below best and cleaner teas at the bottom were firm. Balance were irregular following quality.

BOP1

Better BOP1's were fully firm to dearer, others were irregular and lower following quality.

OP1

Select best varieties were fully firm to irregularly dearer. Others together with cleaner below best maintained. Poorer varieties were irregular and mostly lower.

OP

Select best OP's were fully firm to irregularly dearer whilst others and teas in the below best category were irregular and lower. Teas at the lower end were fully firm.

OPA

A few better teas gained Rs. 10-20 per kg whilst others were irregularly lower were quality was not maintained. All others were fully firm to dearer.

PEKOE

Select best PEK/PEK1's were fully firm to dearer. Others were irregular and mostly lower. Teas at the bottom end were fully firm to dearer.

BOPF

In general were easier.

**FBOPE/
FBOPF1**

Very tippy teas continued to attract good demand. Best maintained. Balance were irregular and mostly lower following quality. Few select best FF1's were firm. Balance together with best declined. Few cleaner below best sold around last levels. Balance were easier following quality.

Information source: Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers.

TOP PRICES FOR THE WEEK

SALE OF 18TH & 19TH FEBRUARY 2020		SALE NO. 07	
MARK	REGION	GRADE	PRICE
Kenilworth	Western Medium	BOPS OP	750/- 740/-
Vellaioya	Western Medium	BOPF	630/-
Carolina	CTC Medium	BPS	450/-
Strathdon	CTC Medium	BP-1	500/-
Florence	CTC High	BP-1	500/-

- *All-time record price.*