

## COLOMBO TEA AUCTION - SALE OF 29<sup>TH</sup> & 30<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2020

### SALE NO: 16

**WESTERN BOPF'S CONTINUED STRONG. OTHERS WERE IRREGULAR AND TENDED EASIER.**

### HIGH GROWN TEAS

#### BOP

*Best Westerns - Select high priced teas declined Rs. 50 per kg and more. Others together with teas in the Below Best category declined Rs. 20-40 per kg. Plainer sorts eased up to Rs. 50 per kg and more. Nuwara Eliyas were neglected. Uda Pussellawas were Rs. 20-30 per kg lower. Uvas declined Rs. 30-50 per kg.*

#### BOPF

*Teas in the Best and Below Best categories, where quality was reasonably maintained were firm and Rs. 20-30 per kg dearer. Others were firm and dearer to a lesser extent. Nuwara Eliyas were up to Rs. 50 per kg easier. Uda Pussellawas were Rs. 20-30 per kg lower. Uvas - clean leaf coloury sorts were Rs. 20-30 per kg dearer. Others sold around last week's levels.*

### UNORTHODOX TEAS(CTC)

#### HIGH GROWN

*BPls - Rs. 20-30 per kg.*

#### MEDIUM GROWN

*BPls - Firm and Rs. 20-30 per kg dearer. PFls - Gained Rs. 20-40 per kg at the commencement of the sale, but dearer to a lesser extent by the close.*

### OFF GRADES

#### FGS1/FGS

*Few select Best invoices were firm, whilst others together with Below Best varieties declined Rs. 10-20 per kg. Poorer sorts too declined Rs. 20 per kg and more. Low Growns in general declined Rs. 30 per kg and more. CTC's- Best and Below Best firm. Poorer sorts gained Rs. 10-20 per kg.*

### DUSTS

#### DUST-1

*Select Best primaries gained sharply. High Grown Dust1's in the Best and Below Best categories gained Rs. 20-30 per kg and more following quality. Balance gained to a lesser extent. Others and poorer sorts gained Rs. 10-20 per kg. Better Mediums gained Rs. 10-20 per kg. Others gained to a lesser extent. Select Best CTC's sold around last levels. Best and Below Best firm to irregularly lower. Others and poorer sorts declined Rs. 10-20 per kg and more. Best Low Growns gained sharply following quality and special inquiry. Below Best gained to a lesser extent. Poorer sorts were irregular.*

**DUST**

*Clean secondaries gained sharply following quality and special inquiry. Below Best gained Rs. 10-20 per kg. Poorest on offer firm to irregularly dearer. CTC's declined Rs.10-20 per kg and more. Better Low Grown gained Rs. 10-20 per kg. Others and poorer sorts sold at last levels.*

**LOW GROWN TEAS**

**FBOP/  
FBOP1**

*Select Best FBOP's eased, whilst Best and Below Best sold around last levels. However, cleaner teas at the bottom appreciated. Others were firm. FBOP1's in general firm.*

**BOP**

*Select Best and Best were easier. Balance were firm on last.*

**BOP1**

*Select Best together with a range of improved Below Best were fully firm to dearer. Others were irregular. At the lower end too, the cleaner types were fully firm. Balance were barely steady.*

**OP1**

*High priced teas of last week were irregular and barely steady. A selection of clean/improved Below Best maintained. Balance were mostly lower barring the teas at the lower end which were fully firm to dearer.*

**OP**

*Better OP's declined. A range of clean Below Best maintained. Others, particularly, the teas at the lower end too declined.*

**OPA**

*A limited selection of well-made teas maintained. Others were mostly lower.*

**PEKOE**

*High priced PEK/PEK1's were lower to last. Others and Below Best too were mostly irregular and lower, particularly the bolder PEK's. At the lower end, a selection of PEK1's were fully firm, whilst the PEK's were easier.*

**BOPF**

*In general were easier.*

**FBOPF/  
FBOPF1**

*Very Tippy teas continued to attract good demand. Best together with Below Best appreciated. Balance firm on last. Select Best FBOPF1's were lower, whilst Best sold around last levels. Cleaner Below Best and cleaner teas at the bottom were firm to dearer. Balance firm.*

*Information source: Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers.*

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## TOP PRICES FOR THE WEEK

SALE OF 29 <sup>TH</sup> & 30 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2020		SALE NO. 16	
MARK	REGION	GRADE	PRICE
Vellaioya	Western Medium	BOPF	750/-
Carolina	CTC Medium	BPS	540/-
Strathdon	CTC Medium	BP-1	570/-

- All-time record price.