

SALE NO: 5 - 29TH/ 30TH JANUARY 2018

Excellent demand

HIGH GROWN TEAS

BOP

Best Westerns where quality was improved gained Rs.20-30/- per kg and substantially more on select invoices following special inquiry. Teas in the below best category were irregular and difficult of sale. Plainer sorts were firm. Nuwara Eliyas Rs.20-40/- per kg lower. Udapussellawas firm. Uvas gained Rs.10-20/- per kg and substantially more on few select invoices.

BOPF

Best Westerns gained Rs.20-40/- per kg and more for improved invoices following special inquiry. In the below best category brighter sorts gained Rs.30-50/- per kg and more following special inquiry whilst the others together with the plainer sorts Rs.30-50/- per kg dearer. Nuwara Eliyas - few select invoices were substantially dearer following special inquiry, others mostly unsold. Udapussellawas irregular following quality. Clean leaf Uvas firm and Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer, others irregular.

OP/OPA

Select best OP/OPA's firm. Below best and poorer sorts marginally dearer.

PEKOE/PEKOE1

A limited selection of liquoring PEK's met with poor demand. Orthodox Leafy PEK/PEK1's firm. Better rotovane PEK's firm on last, balance lower Rs.10-20/- per kg.

FBOP/FBOPF1

Liquoring Leafy FBOP's lower Rs.20-30/- per kg. Orthodox Leafy FBOP's marginally lower. Best and below best FF1's firm to dearer, others barely steady.

MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

BOP

Barely steady.

BOPF

Neat leaf teas gained Rs.40-50/- per kg and more. Poorer sorts irregular and barely steady.

OP/OPA

Better sorts were firm to dearer, others gained Rs.10/- per kg.

PEKOE/PEKOE1

PEK1's firm. PEK's marginally easier.

FBOP/FBOPF1

Select best FBOP's lower Rs.10/- per kg whilst other sorts were barely steady.

Select best FF1's were firm. Below best and poorer sorts irregular.

UNORTHODOX TEAS

HIGH GROWN

BP1s - Up to Rs.40/- per kg lower. PF1s - Barely steady.

MEDIUM GROWN

BP1s - Up to Rs.30/- per kg lower. PF1s - Barely steady.

LOW GROWN

BP1s - Firm and Rs.10/- per kg dearer. PF1s - Select best invoices substantially dearer, others up to Rs.20/- per kg dearer.

OFF GRADES

FGS1/FGS

Best and cleaner below best varieties were dearer Rs. 10-15/- per kg. whilst others were irregular. Poorer sorts were firm on last. Low Growns in general were dearer Rs. 5-10/- per kg. CTCs in general were lower Rs. 5-10/- per kg.

BROKENS

BM's - Best varieties gained Rs. 20/- per kg and more whilst below best cleaner varieties too were dearer Rs. 10-15/- per kg. Others were firm. Poorer sorts gained. Rs. 10-15/- per kg. BP's - A few select best teas were sold at last levels whilst others in the best category were lower Rs. 20/- per kg and more at times. Below best and poorer sorts declined sharply and mostly remained unsold.

BOPIA

Best varieties were dearer by Rs. 10-20/- per kg. Below best cleaner varieties too were dearer by Rs. 5-10/- per kg. Whilst others together with the poorer sorts were dearer by Rs. 10/- per kg and more towards the closure of the sale.

DUSTS

DUST1

Select best primaries declined Rs. 10-20/- per and more. A selection of Dust1's in the best category gained sharply following quality. Balance firm to irregularly lower. Below best which commenced firm on last weeks closing levels declined irregularly towards the latter part of the sale. Others and poorer sorts declined Rs. 10-20/- per kg and were mostly discounted. Best Mediums sold at last levels following quality. Others and poorer sorts declined Rs. 20-30/- per kg and more. Select best CTC's declined Rs. 10-20/- per kg. Below best were firm to irregularly lower. Poorer sorts sold at last levels. Best Low Growns declined sharply. Below best declined Rs. 10-20/- per kg. Poorest on offer too followed a similar trend.

DUST

Clean secondaries firm on last weeks levels. Below best declined Rs. 10-20/- per kg. Poorer sorts declined sharply. Better CTC's declined. Rs. 10/- per kg and more. Other declined sharply. Better Low Grown's sold at last levels. Others declined Rs. 10-20/- per kg.

LOW GROWN TEAS

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| <u>FBOP/FBOP1</u> | <i>Select best FBOP's maintained. Few cleaner below best sold around last levels. Others were easier. Balance were firm to dearer. FBOP1's in general firm.</i> |
| <u>BOP</u> | <i>Except for few select best invoices which maintained. Others were barely steady. Balance declined. Teas at the bottom were firm.</i> |
| <u>BOP1</u> | <i>A few better BOP1's maintained whilst others were irregular and lower. At the lower end prices though irregular were firm.</i> |
| <u>OP1</u> | <i>Select best OP1's were irregular and lower. Others and a range of clean below best maintained whilst the balance where quality was not maintained prices declined marginally.</i> |
| <u>OP</u> | <i>High priced OP's were barely steady. Others and below best commenced around last levels but declined Rs.10-15/- per kg towards the close. At the lower end prices were fully firm to dearer.</i> |
| <u>OPA</u> | <i>Select best OPA's were irregular and lower. Others which were firm at the commencement eased towards the close. Balance gained Rs.1015/- per kg and more.</i> |
| <u>PEKOE</u> | <i>High priced PEK/PEK1's were barely steady. All others were fully firm.</i> |
| <u>BOPF</u> | <i>Select best and best declined and below best and teas at the bottom were fully firm to dearer.</i> |
| <u>FBOPF/FBOPF1</u> | <i>Very tippy teas maintained, however the leafier types were firm to dearer. Best too sold around last levels. Below best and teas at the bottom in particular the smaller varieties declined. Others firm. Select best and best FBOPF1's were fully firm to marginally easier. Cleaner below best maintained. Balance were irregularly lower. Teas at the bottom sold around last levels.</i> |

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