TEA MARKET REPORT SALE NO: 13 - 27TH/ 28TH MARCH 2018

Less demand at easier rates.

HIGH GROWN TEAS

- **BOP** Best Westerns declined Rs.30-50/- per kg and more for last week's high priced teas. Teas in the below best category were Rs.20-30/- per kg lower. Plainer sorts were Rs.30-40/- per kg lower. Nuwara Eliyas were substantially lower. Udapussellawas were Rs.20-40/- per kg lower. Uvas - few select teas gained Rs.40/- per kg and more, others were Rs.10-20/- per kg lower.
- **BOPF** Best Westerns declined Rs.20-40/- per kg and more for select high priced teas of last week. Teas in the below best category declined Rs.20-30/- per kg and more. Plainer sorts declined Rs.30-40/- per kg and more as the sale progressed. Nuwara Eliyas were substantially easier with many invoices unsellable. Udapussellawas were Rs.30-40/- per kg lower. Uvas were substantially lower with many teas unsellable.

OP/OPA Better OP/OPA's firm on last, others gained Rs.10/- per kg.

- **PEKOE/PEKOE1** A limited selection of liquoring PEK's were firm on last. Orthodox Leafy PEK1's sold at last levels. PEK's were irregular and mostly lower. Rotovane PEK's met with less demand and declined Rs.20-40/- per kg.
- **FBOP/FBOPF1** Liquoring Leafy FBOP's sold at last levels. Best Orthodox Leafy FBOP's maintained last levels. Best and below best FF1's marginally easier. Poorest shed Rs.10/- per kg and more at times.

MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

Rs.20-30/- per kg lower.
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Better OP/OPA's were marginally easier, others were firm to dearer Rs.10- 15/- per kg.
PEK1's sold at last levels. PEK's were irregularly lower.
Select best FBOP's lower Rs.10-20/- per kg. Below best and poorest declined Rs.20/- per kg. Select best and below best FF1's lower Rs.10/- per kg. Poorer sorts easier Rs.20/- per kg.

UNORTHODOX TEAS

HIGH GROWNBP1s - Barely steady. PF1s - Rs.20/- per kg lower.MEDIUM GROWNBP1s - Irregular and barely steady. PF1s - Declined Rs.20/- per kg on average.LOW GROWNBP1s - Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer. PF1s - Up to Rs.20/- per kg lower.

OFF GRADES

- FGS1/FGSA few select best invoices appreciated Rs. 10/- per kg whilst others were firm
to Rs. 10/- per kg lower. Below best varieties were firm to Rs. 10/- per kg
dearer following quality. Poorer sorts were dearer Rs. 10/- per kg and more
Low Growns Best varieties were Rs. 10/- per kg dearer. Below best together
with poorer sorts gained Rs. 15-20/- per kg and more. CTCs Best varieties
were firm to Rs. 10/- per kg lower. Below best together with the poorer sorts
were firm to Rs. 10/- per kg lower. Below best together with the poorer sorts
were firm on last.
BM's Best varieties were firm to Rs. 10/- dearer. Below best Rs. 10-15/- per
- **BROKENS** BOY S Best ourlettes were firm to Rs. 10/- dearer. Below best Rs. 10-15/- per kg dearer and more towards the closure whilst poorer sorts gained Rs. 30/- and more. BP's in general were dearer Rs. 10-15/- per kg.
- **BOP1A** Best categories were easier by Rs. 10-20 per kg whilst below best and poorer sorts were dearer by Rs. 20-30/- per kg and more towards the closure.

DUSTS

DUST1Select best primaries declined sharply. A selection of High Grown Dust1's in
the best category sold at last levels following special inquiry. Balance declined
Rs.20-30/- per kg and more. Improved below best varieties were firm to
irregularly lower following quality. Others declined sharply. Poorer sorts
declined sharply and were mostly unsellable. Best Mediums declined Rs.10-
20/- per kg. Others declined further. Select best CTC's declined Rs.10-20/- per
kg. Best and below best declined Rs.20-30/- per kg and more. Poorer sorts
declined further. Best Low Growns declined Rs.20/- per kg and more. Below
best declined Rs.10-20/- per kg. Poorer sorts were irregular and mostly dearer.
Clean secondaries declined Rs.10-20/- per kg. Below best too followed a similar
trend. Poorer sorts were firm to irregularly lower. Better CTC's declined
Rs.20/- per kg and more. Others declined further. Low Growns were firm to
irregularly dearer.

LOW GROWN TEAS	
<u>FBOP/FBOP1</u>	Select best and best FBOP's declined whilst below best and teas at the bottom appreciated. FBOP1's - select best declined, best together with below best sold around last levels. Teas at the bottom appreciated by Rs.10/- per kg.
BOP	Few select best maintained, balance were easier. Best sold around last levels. Below best and teas at the bottom appreciated.
<u>BOP1</u>	Better BOP1's were firm to selectively dearer, others particularly the teas at the lower end were irregular and barely steady.
<u>OP1</u>	Select best were fully firm to irregularly dearer, others and improved below best commenced fully firm but were irregular towards the close. Teas at the lower end too were fully firm to dearer.
<u>OP</u>	<i>OP's were fully firm to dearer with the teas at the lower end gaining Rs.10-20/-</i> <i>per kg and more towards the close.</i>
<u>OPA</u>	Better OPA's were fully firm, others and below best gained up to Rs.10/- per kg whilst the balance gained further, particularly towards the close.
<u>PEKOE</u>	PEK1's were fully firm to dearer. A range of select best together with the bold PEK's too were firm to selectively dearer. Balance were irregular particularly for the teas at the lower end.
BOPF	Select best and best maintained. Below best and teas at the bottom appreciated.
FBOPF/FBOPF1	Very Tippy teas continued to attract good demand. Best and below best were fully firm to dearer. Cleaner teas at the bottom appreciated, balance maintained. Few select best FF1's maintained, balance declined. Best too were lower. However below best and teas at the bottom appreciated.