COLOMBO TEA AUCTION - SALE OF 02ND FEBRUARY 2015

SALE NO: 05

TEA MARKET

LESS DEMAND MOSTLY AT EASIER RATES.

HIGH GROWN TEAS

BOP

Best Western's- few select improved invoices gained following airmail inquiry, others were irregularly easier. Teas in the below best category declined by Rs. 5-10/- per kg. Plainer clean leaf types were Rs. 5/- per kg dearer, others were irregular. Nuwara Eliya's declined upto Rs. 50/- per kg and more for the select high priced teas of last week. Uva/Udapussellawa BOP's were Rs. 10-20/- per kg dearer.

BOPF

Best Western's- few select invoices appreciated irregularly following airmail inquiry, whilst the others were irregular following quality. In the below best category, brighter sorts were Rs. 10-20/- per kg lower. Others were irregular. In the plainer category too a few select improved clean leaf teas were dearer, whilst others were barely steady with poor leaf teas declining by Rs. 5/- per kg on average. Nuwara Eliya's declined by Rs. 20/- per kg. Uva/Udapussellawa few clean leaf teas were firm, others (poor leaf teas) were mostly difficult of sale.

UNORTHODOX TEAS(CTC)

<u>HIGH</u> GROWN

BP1s-Irregular and barely steady.PF1s- Irregular following quality.

MEDIUM GROWN

BP1s- Rs. 10-20/- per kg lower. PF1s- Irregular following quality.

OFF GRADES

FGS1/FGS

Best liquorings in the High and Medium category were firm on last, whilst cleaner below best varieties were dearer Rs. 10-15/- per kg and more at times. Others were firm on last. Low Growns- best varieties eased Rs. 10-15/- per kg whilst below best and poorer sorts too lost Rs. 5-10/- per kg. CTC's in general were firm on last.

DUSTS

DUST1

Select best primaries were firm. Few High Grown D1's in the best and below best categories gained Rs.10-15/- per kg following quality. Balance along with the others declined Rs. 10-15/- per kg and more. All Mediums firm to dearer by 5-10/- per kg. CTC's were firm to lower by Rs. 10-15/- per kg. Better Low Grown's declined Rs. 15-20/- per kg. Others declined further.

DUST

Clean secondaries unavailable. Below best declined Rs. 15-20/- per kg, poorer sorts declined further. CTC's declined Rs. 15-20/- per kg. Better Low Grown's declined Rs. 10-15/- per kg. Others declined further.

LOW GROWN TEAS

FBOP/ A few select best FBOP's were firm to dearer. Best firm. Cleaner below best firm. **FBOP1** Others and bottom lower. Best FBOP1's maintained. Others irregular.

BOP A few select best were firm to dearer. Others lower.

BOP1 Better BOP1's were barely steady. Others were firm to irregularly dearer.

OP1 Better OP1's declined by Rs. 10-15/- per kg and more. Others too were irregular and lower.

OP Select best declined. Others and teas at the lower end were fully firm.

OPA Better OPA's were barely steady. Others were fully firm.

PEKOE PEK/PEK1's were fully firm to selectively dearer.

BOPF A few select best maintained. Others were irregularly lower.

FBOPF/ FBOPF1Very tippy teas were irregularly lower. Below best maintained. A few select best FBOPF1's were firm to dearer. Cleaner below best maintained. Others lower.

Information source: Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers.