COLOMBO TEA AUCTION - SALE OF 26TH/ 27TH JANUARY 2015

SALE NO: 04

TEA MARKET

FAIR DEMAND MOSTLY AT EASIER RATES FOLLOWING QUALITY

HIGH GROWN TEAS

BOP Best Western's – Select improved teas gained Rs.10-20/- per kg, whilst the others declined by a similar margin. In the below best category too, few clean leaf teas gained Rs.10/- per kg whilst the others declined by a similar margin. Plainer clean leaf teas were firm, others were marginally easier. Nuwara Eliyas Rs.10-20/- per kg lower following quality. Uva/Udapussellawas declined upto Rs.20/- per kg following quality.

BOPF Best Western's – Few select clean leaf coloury teas tended dearer whilst the majority declined upto Rs.20/- per kg and more following quality. Teas in the below best category declined Rs.10-20/- per kg whilst at the lower end prices were irregular and barely steady. Nuwara Eliyas declined Rs.30-40/- per kg and more following quality. Uva/Udapussellawas declined Rs.10-20/- per kg.

UNORTHODOX TEAS(CTC)

HIGHBP1s- Declined by an average of Rs.10/- per kg. PF1s- Few select clean leaf**GROWN**teas gained Rs.10-15/- per kg following special inquiry whilst the others tended
easier.

MEDIUM GROWN BP1s- Irregularly firm. PF1s- Select clean leaf coloury teas Rs.10/- per kg dearer on average. Others sold around last week's levels.

OFF GRADES

FGS1/FGS Best liquorings in the High & Medium category together with cleaner below best varieties were firm, whilst others commenced firm on last and declined Rs. 5-10/- per kg towards the closure. Low Growns - Best varieties were easier Rs. 5-10/- per kg whilst below best sorts were dearer Rs. 5-10/- per kg. Poorer sorts were irregularly lower. CTC's in general were firm on last.

DUSTS

- **DUST1** Select best primaries gained Rs. 10-20/- per kg. High Grown Dust1's in the best and below best categories gained Rs. 5-10/- per kg and more following quality. Others and poor sorts declined Rs. 15-20/- per kg and more. Better Mediums declined Rs. 10-15/- per kg. Others declined further. Better CTC's declined Rs. 15-20/- per kg and more. Others declined Rs. 10-15/- per kg. Best Low Growns gained Rs. 10-15/- per kgs following quality. Below best varieties declined Rs. 15-20/- per kg. Poorer sorts declined further.
- **DUST** Clean secondaries declined Rs. 10-15/- per kg. Below best too followed a similar trend. Poorest on offer declined sharply. CTC's declined Rs.10-15/- per kg. Better Low Growns declined Rs. 15-20/- per kg. Poorest on offer declined further.

LOW GROWN TEAS

- **FBOP**/
FBOP1Select best and best FBOP's declined. Clean below best appreciated. Others firm.
Clean teas at the bottom were firm. Balance eased. FBOP1's in general were easier
- **<u>BOP</u>** In general were lower.
- **<u>BOP1</u>** *A* selection of better BOP1's maintained. Others were barely steady.
- **<u>OP1</u>** Better OP1's declined by Rs. 10-15/- per kg and more, whilst others too were lower particularly following quality.
- **<u>OP</u>** High priced OP's declined by Rs. 10-15/- per kg and more. Others too were lower but to a lesser extent.
- **<u>OPA</u>** Best and below best declined by Rs. 10-15/- per kg and more. At the lower end, however, prices were fully firm.
- **<u>PEKOE</u>** Select best PEK/PEK1's were barely steady. Others though irregular were firm. At the lower end, prices were fully firm to dearer.

<u>BOPF</u> Best and below best declined. Balance firm.

FBOPF/ FBOPF1 Very tippy teas were substantially lower. Balance too declined sharply. Select best and best FBOPF1's declined sharply. A few clean below best sold around last levels. All others declined.

Information source: Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers.