<u>COLOMBO TEA AUCTION - SALE OF 31ST JANUARY &</u> <u>1ST FEBRUARY 2017</u>

SALE NO: 05

LESS DEMAND

HIGH GROWN TEAS

BOP Best Western's – A small selection of teas gained in value following special inquiry whilst the majority were irregularly easier. Teas in the below best category were Rs. 30-50/- per kg easier. Plainer sorts were Rs. 30-40/- per kg easier. Nuwara Eliya's - few select invoices gained up to Rs. 20/- per kg following special inquiry whilst the others were irregularly easier. Udapussellawa's declined Rs. 30- 50/- per kg whilst Uva's declined up to Rs.50/- per kg and substantially more for last week's high priced teas.

BOPF Best Western's – Few select invoices appreciated following special inquiry whilst the others declined Rs. 20- 40/- per kg and more. Teas in the below best category declined Rs. 30- 50/-per kg whilst the plainer sorts declined Rs. 30- 40/- per kg. Nuwara Eliya's – last week's high priced teas declined substantially whilst the others were firm. Udapussellawa's declined Rs. 50/-per kg and more for last week's high priced teas whilst Uva's declined Rs. 50-70/- per kg and more.

UNORTHODOX TEAS(CTC)

HIGHBP1s - Rs.30-50/- per kg lower. PF1s - Few select invoices were firm following**GROWN**special inquiry. Others declined Rs.30-40/- per kg.

MEDIUM GROWN BP1s - Up to Rs.50/- per kg easier. PF1s - Rs.30-40/- per kg easier.

OFF GRADES

FGS1/FGS Best varieties were lower Rs.30-40/- per kg. Below best varieties were lower Rs.10-20/- per kg whilst poorer sorts were firm on last. Low Growns - were firm on last. CTC's - Best varieties were lower rs.10/- per kg whilst below best and poorer sorts were firm on last.

DUSTS

DUST-1 Select best primaries declined Rs.10-20/- per kg. High Grown DUST1 in the best and below best categories which commenced Rs.30-40/- per kg lower, declined further towards the closure and were mostly discounted. Poorer sorts declined further. Best mediums declined Rs.30-40/- per kg and more. Others and poorer sorts declined to a lesser extent. Select best CTC's declined Rs.30-40/- per kg. Best and below best declined further. Poorest on offer declined by Rs.30-40/- per kg and were mostly discounted. Best and below best Low Growns sold at last levels. Poorer sorts were irregular and mostly lower.

<u>DUST</u> Clean secondaries were firm to irregularly lower. Below best sold at last levels. Poorest on offer declined Rs.10-20/- per kg and more. CTC's declined Rs.30-40/- per kg and more. Better Low Growns sold at last week's closing levels. Poorer sorts were irregularly lower.

LOW GROWN TEAS

BOPSelect best and best were irregular. Cleaner below best teas at the bottom maintained.	
BOP1 Select best were irregular. All others were fully firm to a	dearer.
A few select best maintained. Other high priced te	as were barely steady.
<u>OP1</u> Balance were fully firm to dearer. High priced OP's were irregular and lower. Others ar	nd improved helow hest
<u>OP</u> too were barely steady. Balance were fully firm.	,
OPASelect best OPA's were easier. Others commenced fir OPA but declined further towards the close. At the lower en fully firm. High priced PEK/PEK1's were barely steady. Other	nd however, prices were
PEKOE selectively dearer.Select best maintained. Below best were irregular. Te	
BOPF firm to dearer.	
FBOPF/ FBOPF1Very tippy teas were irregular and at times lowe marginally lower. Below best and bottom maintained. were firm. Best declined. Cleaner below best sorts w irregular.	Select best FBOPF'1s

TOP PRICES FOR THE WEEK

SALE OF 31 ST JANUARY & 1 ST FEBRUARY 2017		SALE NO. 05	
MARK	REGION	GRADE	PRICE
Kenilworth	Western Medium	BOP	820/-
Waltrim	Western High	BOP BOPF BOPS	970/- ** <mark>980/-</mark> 720/-
Henfold	Western High	FGS1	630/-
Florence	CTC High	PF1 BP1	620/- 550/-
Carolina	CTC Medium	BPS	**570/-
Strathdon	CTC Medium	BP1	540/-

• <u>All-time record price.</u>