# COLOMBO TEA AUCTION - SALE OF 28<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY & 1<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2017

## **SALE NO: 09**

#### GOOD GENERAL DEMAND MOSTLY AT EASIER RATES.

## HIGH GROWN TEAS

**BOP** 

Best Western's – Few select invoices appreciated following special inquiry whilst the others were irregular and mostly easier. In the below best category brighter sorts were Rs.20/- per kg easier whilst the others gained Rs.10-20/- per kg. Plainer sorts were up to Rs.20/- per kg lower. Nuwara Eliya's-irregularly easier. Udapussellawa's were firm and Rs.10 per kg lower. Uva's were Rs.10-20/- per kg lower.

**BOPF** 

Best Western's declined Rs. 20/- per kg and more for last week's select high priced teas. Teas in the below best and plainer categories which commenced Rs. 10-20/-per kg and Rs. 20-30/- per kg easier respectively were lower to a lesser extent by the close. Nuwara Eliya's – few select invoices were substantially dearer following special inquiry whilst the others sold around last week's levels. Udapussellawa's-firm and Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer. Uva's – high priced teas of last week declined Rs.20/- per kg whilst the others were firm.

# **UNORTHODOX TEAS(CTC)**

<u>HIGH</u> GROWN BP1s/PF1s - Firm and Rs.10-20/-per kg dearer.

MEDIUM GROWN

BP1s -Firm and Rs.10-20/-per kg dearer. PF1s- Barely steady.

#### **OFF GRADES**

FGS1/FGS

Best varieties were firm to Rs.10/- per kg dearer. Below best varieties were firm. Poorer sorts were firm on last. Low Growns - In general were firm on last. CTC's - In general were firm to Rs.5/- per kg dearer.

# **DUSTS**

## **DUST-1**

Select best primaries sold at last levels. High Grown Dust 1's in the best and below best categories where quality was maintained were firm to irregularly dearer. Balance along with the poorer sorts declined Rs. 10-20/- per kg and more towards the close. Best Mediums sold at last levels. Others declined Rs. 10-20/- per kg. Select best CTC's were firm to irregularly lower. Best and below best which commenced at last week's closing levels declined Rs. 10-20/per kg towards the closure. Others and poorer sorts too followed a similar trend. Except for a few invoices which gained substantially following special inquiry, best Low Growns declined Rs. 10-20/- per kg and more. Below best too followed a similar trend. Poorest on offer were firm to irregularly dearer.

# **DUST**

Clean secondaries declined Rs. 10-20/- per kg. Below best sold at last levels. Poorest on offer were firm to irregularly dearer. Mediums declined Rs. 10-20/per kg. CTC's declined Rs. 5-10/- per kg and more. Better Low Growns declined 10-20/- per kg. Poorer sorts sold at last levels.

Select best FBOP's maintained. Best and below best appreciated Rs.20-30/- per

# LOW GROWN TEAS

| <u>FBOP/</u><br><u>FBOP1</u> | kg and more. Cleaner Teas at the bottom too gained. Others maintained. FBOP1's in general were dearer.  |
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| BOP                          | Select best maintained. Best and cleaner below best were firm to dearer. Others maintained.   |
| BOP1                         | Better BOP1's gained Rs.10-15/- per kg and more. All others were fully firm to dearer.  |
| <u>OP1</u>                   | Select best together with a range of improved below best gained Rs.10/- per kg and more. Others too were dearer but to a lesser extent.                     |
| <u>OP</u>                    | Better OP's were barely steady. Others were fully firm to dearer.   |
| OPA                          | Better OPA's were irregular and lower. Others maintained whilst teas at the lower end were fully firm to dearer.  |
| PEKOE                        | Select best PEK/PEK1's though irregular were firm whilst other PEK1's gained Rs.5-10/- per kg and more. Bold PEK's were irregular. Teas at the              |
| IEROE                        | lower end however were fully firm to dearer.  |
|                              | Select best were firm to dearer. Few cleaner teas in the below best and bottom  |
| <b>BOPF</b>                  | end too appreciated. Others were irregular.  Very tippy teas continued to attract good demand. Best were firm to dearer.                                    |
| FBOPF/<br>FBOPF1             | Others with a poor show of tip were irregular. Select best FF1's were firm to dearer. Cleaner below best together with the bottom gained Rs.20/- per kg and |
|                              | more.   |

Information source: Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers.

# TOP PRICES FOR THE WEEK

|            | <sup>TH</sup> & 1 <sup>ST</sup> MARCH<br>JARY 2017 | SALE NO. 09 |       |
|------------|--|-------------|-------|
| MARK       | REGION   | GRADE       | PRICE |
| Kenilworth | Western Medium                                     | ВОР         | 840/- |
| Vellaioya  | Western Medium                                     | BOPF        | 670/- |
| Florence   | CTC High   | PF1         | 640/- |
| Carolina   | CTC Medium   | PF1         | 630/- |
| Strathdon  | CTC Medium   | BPS         | 500/- |

<sup>• &</sup>lt;u>All-time record price.</u>