# Colombo Tea Auction - Sale Of 12th/ 13th May 2015

# **SALE NO: 18**

# TEA MARKET

# FAIR DEMAND AT IRREGULAR FOLLOWING QUALITY

## HIGH GROWN TEAS

**BOP** 

Best Western's declined by Rs. 10/- per kg on average. In the below best category, the brighter sorts were irregular following quality. Others together with the plainer sorts were firm whilst the poorer leaf types were irregularly easier. Nuwara Eliya's-where quality was maintained, gained Rs. 20-30/- per kg whilst others were irregularly firm. Uva/Udapussellawa's were firm & Rs. 5-10/- per kg dearer.

**BOPF** 

Best Western's were irregular following quality. In the below best category brighter sorts where quality was maintained, gained Rs. 10-20/- per kg. Others were irregular. Plainer clean leaf types were firm to marginally dearer whilst others were irregular. Nuwara Eliya's declined Rs. 10-20/- per kg. Uva/Udapussellawa's were irregular following quality.

#### UNORTHODOX TEAS(CTC)

HIGH GROWN BP1s – Firm. PF1s – Clean leaf types Rs. 5-10/- per kg dearer whilst the poorer sorts were difficult of sale.

MEDIUM GROWN BP1s – Select invoices were firm following special inquiry, others up to Rs. 10-20/- per kg lower. PF1s – Firm.

#### OFF GRADES

#### FGS1/FGS

Best liquorings in the High & Medium category were easier Rs.10-15/- per kg whilst cleaner below best varieties were dearer Rs.10-15/- per kg. Others were substantially lower. Low Growns in general were easier Rs.10/- per kg. Best CTC's were dearer Rs.5-10/- per kg whilst below best varieties lost Rs.5-10/- per kg. Poorer sorts were dearer Rs.10/- per kg.

#### **DUSTS**

# **DUST1**

Select best primaries declined Rs.10-20/- per kg and more. Few High Grown Dust1's in the best and below best categories were firm to Rs.5-10/- per kg dearer following quality. Balance along with the poorer sorts declined Rs.15-20/- per kg and more. Best Mediums which commenced Rs.5-10/- per kg lower declined further towards the closure. Others and poorer sorts declined Rs.15-20/- per kg and more. Best CTC's declined Rs.15-20/- per kg. Others declined to a lesser extent. Best Low Growns sold at last levels. Below best sorts declined Rs.5-10/- per kg. Poorest on offer were irregularly lower.

#### **DUST**

Clean secondaries gained Rs.5-10/- per kg and more. Below best sold at last levels. Poorest on offer gained Rs.5-10/- per kg. CTC's declined Rs.10-15/- per kg. Better Low Growns sold at last levels. Others declined Rs.10-15/- per kg.

## LOW GROWN TEAS

## FBOP/ FBOP1

Select best and best FBOP's dearer. Few cleaner below best maintained. Others together with the teas at the bottom lower. Best FBOP1's appreciated. Others irregular.

**BOP** 

*Select best maintained. Others were irregularly lower.* 

BOP1

A range of better BOP1's together with clean below best held firm. Others were irregular and lower. At the lower end too prices were irregular.

OP1

Better OP1's together with clean below best were firm to irregularly dearer. Others were lower following quality. At the lower end cleaner types were fully firm. Balance were barely steady.

<u>OP</u>

Better OP's were firm to selectively dearer. Others were barely steady following quality. At the lower end prices were fully firm.

**OPA** 

Better OPA's were fully firm to irregularly dearer. Others were irregular and marginally easier. At the lower end prices were firm.

**PEKOE** 

Better PEK/PEK1's were fully firm to irregularly dearer. Others particularly the bold types gained Rs.10-20/-per kg and more. Balance were fully firm to irregularly dearer,.

**BOPF** Few select best maintained. Others were irregularly lower.

FBOPF/ FBOPF1

Very tippy teas continue to attract good demand. Clean leaf below best firm to dearer. Others were irregularly lower. Select best FBOPF1's together with the well made teas in the best category appreciated. Others together with below best were irregularly lower. Teas at the bottom too were lower.

*Information source: Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers.*