COLOMBO TEA AUCTION - SALE OF 21ST & 22ND FEBRUARY 2017

SALE NO: 08

GOOD DEMAND AT SLIGHTLY EASIER RATES

HIGH GROWN TEAS

BOP

Best Western's were irregular and mostly easier following quality. Teas in the below best category were firm. Plainer sorts were firm and tended dearer. Nuwara Eliya's – select invoices were dearer following special inquiry whilst the others were mostly firm. Uva/Udapussellawa's were irregular and mostly sold around last week's levels.

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 declined Rs. 10-20/- per kg. Nuwara Eliya's were irregular and mostly Rs. 10-20/- per kg easier. Uva/Udapussellawa's mostly sold around last.

UNORTHODOX TEAS(CTC)

<u>HIGH</u> GROWN

BP1s - Sold around last week's levels.PF1s - select invoices were Rs.10-20/-per kg dearer. Others were firm.

MEDIUM GROWN

BP1s - Mostly firm. PF1s - Sold around last week's levels.

OFF GRADES

FGS1/FGS

Best varieties were firm to Rs.10/- per kg dearer. Cleaner below best varieties were firm on last whilst others were lower Rs.20/- per kg. Poorer sorts were firm on last. Low Growns - In general were dearer Rs.10/- per kg and more at times. CTC's too followed a similar trend.

DUST-1

Select best primaries declined sharply. Few High Grown Dust1 in the best and below best categories were firm to irregularly dearer following quality. Balance along with the poorer sorts declined Rs.10-20/- per kg and more. Better mediums declined Rs.10-20/- per kg. Others declined further. Select best CTC's were firm to irregularly lower. Best and below best declined Rs.10-20/- per kg and more. Poorest on offer gained Rs.10/- per kg and more. Better Low Growns declined Rs.10/- per kg. Below best followed a similar trend. Poorer sorts were firm.

DUST

BOP

OPA

Clean secondaries declined Rs.20-30/- per kg. Best and below best sold at last levels. Poorest on offer firm to irregularly dearer. Better CTC's declined Rs.20/- per kg and more. Others sold at last levels. Better Low Growns declined Rs.10-20/- per kg. Poorest on offer irregular.

LOW GROWN TEAS

Select best and best FBOP's appreciated. Cleaner below best and cleaner teas **FBOP/ TROP/**at the bottom too followed a similar trend. Others were firm on last. FBOP1's

in general were firm to dearer.

Few select best BOP's appreciated. Others sold around last levels. Best and cleaner below best too were firm to dearer. Others were firm.

BOP1's were fully firm to dearer.

Better OP1's commenced fully firm to dearer but gained further as the sale

OP1 *progressed. Others too were fully firm to dearer.*

High priced OP's were irregular and lower. Others commenced around last levels but declined marginally towards the close. At the lower end prices were

fully firm to dearer.

Better OPA's declined. Others too were barely steady. At the bottom end

however prices were fully firm to dearer.

High priced PEK's together with the bolder types were barely steady. Others

PEKOE maintained. PEK1's were however fully firm to dearer.

Select best and best BOPF's sold around last levels. Cleaner below best and

BOPF *cleaner teas at the bottom appreciated. Others were firm.*

Very tippy teas continued to attract good demand. Best were firm to dearer.

FBOPF/Balance sold around last levels. Select best and best FBOPF1's appreciated. **FBOPF1**Cleaner below best and cleaner teas at the bottom were firm to dearer. Others

sold around last levels.

Information source: Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers.

TOP PRICES FOR THE WEEK

SALE OF 21 ST & 22 ND FEBRUARY 2017		SALE NO. 08	
MARK	REGION	GRADE	PRICE
Kenilworth	Western Medium	BOPS	880/-
Vellaioya	Western Medium	BOPF	670/-
Waltrim	Western High	BOP BOPS BOPF BOPF	1,000/- 670/- 940/- 940/-
Adisham	Western High	FGS1	650/-
Florence	CTC High	PF1 BP1	** <mark>650/-</mark> 560/-
Carolina	CTC Medium	PF1 BPS	** <mark>640/-</mark> 560/-
Strathdon	CTC Medium	BP1	570/-

^{• &}lt;u>All-time record price.</u>