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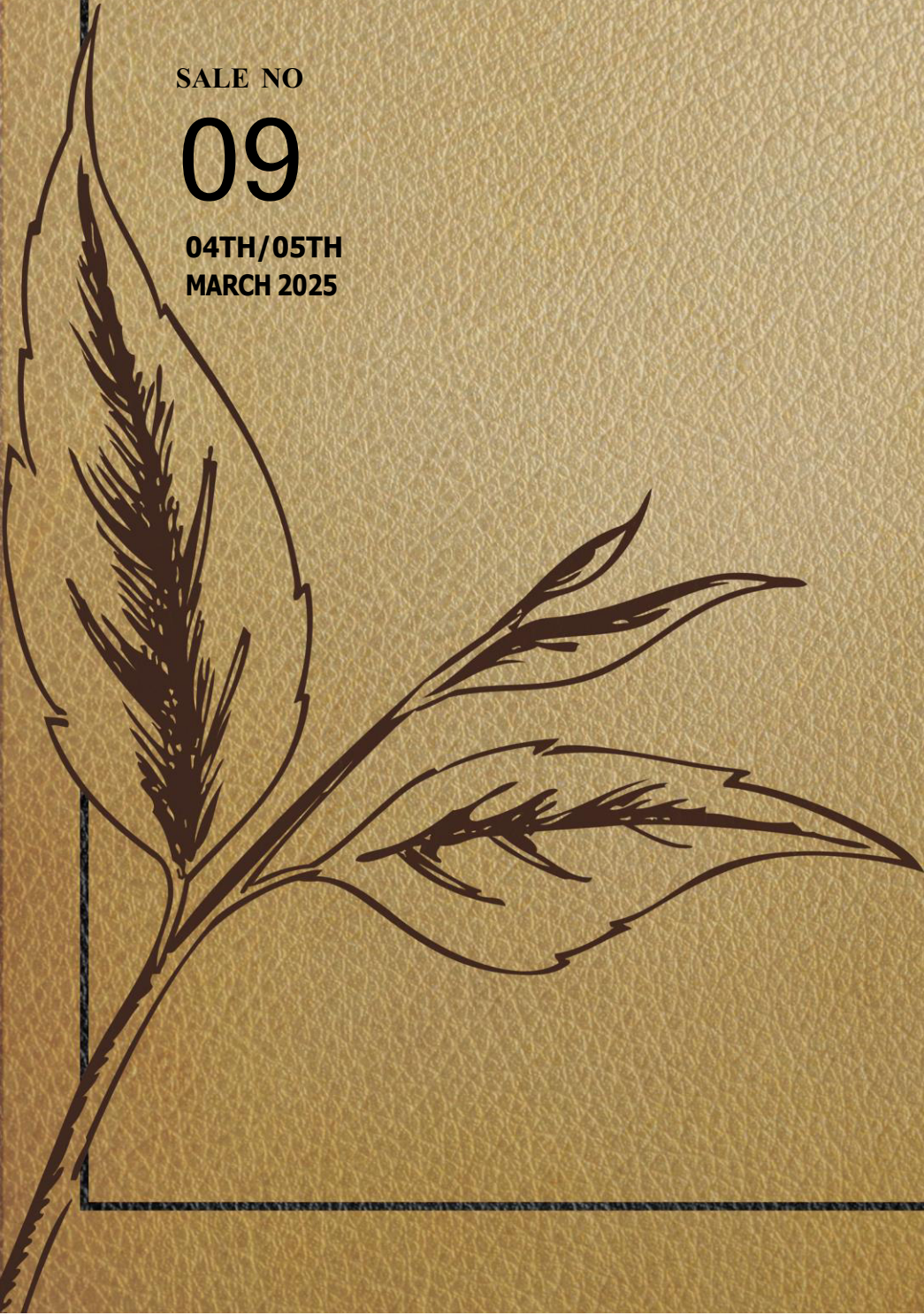
FORBES & WALKER TEA BROKERS PVT LTD

WEEKLY TEA MARKET REPORT

SALE NO

09

**04TH/05TH
MARCH 2025**



Overall Market

	QTY (M/KGS)	DEMAND
Ex Estate	0.85	Good
High & Medium	0.53	Good
Leafy	0.71	Fair
Semi Leafy	0.64	Fair
Tippy/Small Leaf	0.86	Fair
Premium Flowery	0.06	Fair
Off Grade	1.11	Fair
Dust	0.56	Good
Total	5.32	Good general

ORDER OF SALE

SALE NO : 9

04TH/05TH MARCH 2025

EX-ESTATE	LG LARGE LEAF LG SMALL LEAF/BOP1A/ PREMIUM	HIGH & MEDIUM/OFF GRADE /DUST
Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC	Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC
Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC	John Keells PLC	John Keells PLC
Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd	Eastern Brokers Ltd	Eastern Brokers Ltd
Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd	Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC
Eastern Brokers Ltd	Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd
Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC	Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd	Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd
Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd	Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
John Keells PLC	Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC	Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd

AUCTION DETAILS

AT THIS WEEK'S SALE 10,765 LOTS TOTALLING 5,324,673 KGS WERE ON OFFER. THE BREAKDOWN IS AS FOLLOWS:

	LOTS	QUANTITY
Ex Estate	862	846,921
Main Sale - High & Medium	1,247	532,110
Low Grown - Leafy	1,933	709,366
Low Grown - Semi Leafy	1,580	645,307
Low Grown - Tippy	1,870	860,488
Premium Flowery	390	57,010
Off Grades	2,257	1,114,234
Dust	626	559,237
Total	10,765	5,324,673
Re - Prints	1,169	618,513

SETTLEMENT DATES

07/03/2025 11/03/2025 12/03/2025

10% Payment Buyers Prompt Sellers Prompt

Quality

A wider selection of Westerns showed further improvement. Nuwara Eliyas were irregular though reasonably maintained, whilst the Uva/Uda Pussellawas and Low Grown were similar to last.

COMMENTS

Auction offerings totalled 5.3 M/Kgs, marginally lower to the 5.6 M/Kgs on offer the previous week. Improved widespread demand and a firm to dearer trend in prices. Renewed activity from shippers to Iran combined with an improvement in quality of liquoring teas resulted in a bullish trend in prices.

Ex-Estate offerings totalled 0.8 M/Kgs, down from the 0.9 M/Kgs on offer the previous week. Overall quality of teas from the Western slopes showed an improvement in seasonal quality and had on offer a wider selection as well.

Consequently, Best Western BOP/BOPF's gained by Rs. 100 per kg and substantially more for select invoices following quality/special inquiry. Other improved brighter sorts in the Below Best category too appreciated up to Rs. 100 per kg and more in instances for select invoices. BOP/BOPF's at the bottom end of the market were firm and up to Rs. 20 per kg dearer. Nuwara Eliyas' more often sold at firm to dearer rates. Uda Pussellawas' continued sluggish, whilst the Uvas' were firm and tended dearer.

CTC teas showed no significant change in the overall price structure although, here again, witnessed a firm to dearer trend.

Improved activity for liquoring teas from shippers to the UK, the Continent, Japan and perhaps South Africa selectively, whilst interest from shippers to the CIS continued to be as usual.

Low Grown's comprised of 2.2 M/Kgs and witnessed fair demand. Activity from shippers to Iran continued to improve for the Small Leaf and Premium categories.

In the Leafy and Semi-Leafy catalogues, well-made BOP1's together with the Below Best and bolder varieties were easier, whilst the teas at the bottom sold around last levels. Select Best and Best OP1's were easier, whilst the balance sold around last levels. High-priced OP's declined, whilst the balance together with smaller varieties appreciated. Well-made OPA's were dearer, whilst the Below Best and the teas at the bottom were lower. High-priced PEK's were firm to selectively dearer, whilst the Best and Below Best together with the mixed/open varieties declined. Teas at the bottom were fully firm. Select Best PEK1's were easier, whilst the Best and Below Best together with cleaner leaf teas at the bottom appreciated. The balance were irregular.

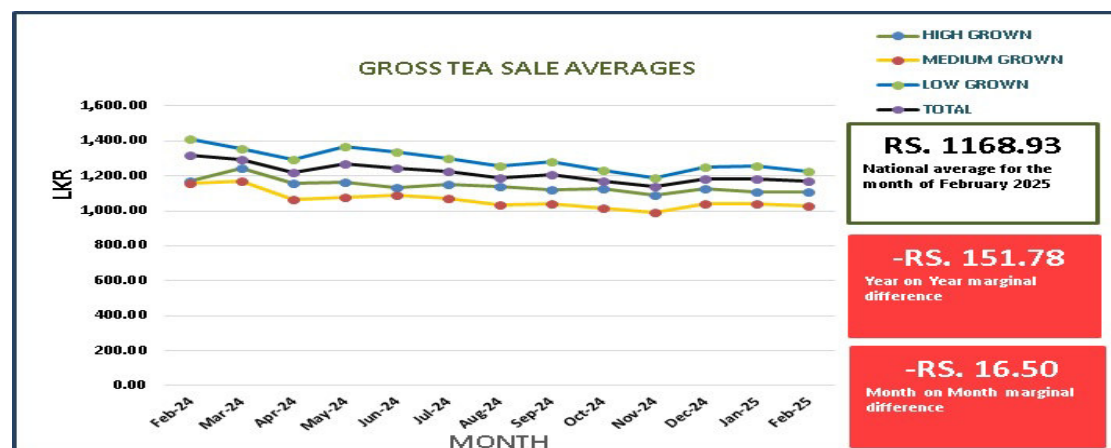
In the Tippy catalogue, well-made FBOP's together with the cleaner Below Best were firm, whilst the bolder varieties and teas at the bottom were lower. Select Best FF1's were firm, whilst the Best and Below Best sorts appreciated. Teas at the bottom were easier.

In the Premium catalogue, high-priced Tippy teas were firm, whilst the Best and Below Best varieties appreciated. Teas at the bottom were firm.

NOTE

Next week's Auction (Sale No. 10) is scheduled for Monday, 10 March and Tuesday, 11 March 2025

NATIONAL TEA SALES AVERAGES (FEBRUARY 2025)



Key Highlights:

- Total National Average declined by Rs. 16.50 (USD 0.07) in comparison to the previous month
- Cumulative variance recorded a decline of Rs. 116.43 and positive USD 0.11 against January-February 2024
- In February 2025, the High Grown elevations witnessed a marginal increase, whilst the Medium Grown and Low Grown elevations witnessed a decline in LKR terms. However, all elevations witnessed a decline in USD terms in comparison with January 2025

In Sri Lankan Rupees								
	25-Feb	25-Jan	MOM Variance	24-Feb	YOY Variance	To date 2025	To date 2024	YOY Variance
High Grown	1,105.71	1,105.66	0.05	1,168.96	-63.25	1,105.68	1,121.84	-16.16
Medium Grown	1,028.28	1,038.05	-9.77	1,156.74	-128.46	1,033.51	1,113.05	-79.54
Low Grown	1,225.50	1,255.60	-30.10	1,409.78	-184.28	1,240.63	1,399.38	-158.75
Total	1,168.93	1,185.43	-16.50	1,320.71	-151.78	1,177.35	1,293.78	-116.43
In U.S. Dollars								
	25-Feb	25-Jan	MOM Variance	24-Feb	YOY Variance	To date 2025	To date 2024	YOY Variance
High Grown	3.75	3.76	-0.01	3.76	(0.01)	3.75	3.56	0.19
Medium Grown	3.49	3.53	-0.04	3.72	(0.24)	3.51	3.53	-0.02
Low Grown	4.16	4.27	-0.11	4.54	(0.38)	4.21	4.44	-0.23
Total	3.96	4.03	-0.07	4.25	(0.29)	4.00	4.11	-0.11

Source - Sri Lanka Tea Board (For statistical purposes only)

* National tea sales average for the month of February 2025 recorded Rs. 1,168.93 (USD 3.96), showing a decline of Rs. 16.50 and USD 0.07 in comparison with the January 2025 average of Rs. 1,185.43 (USD 4.03).

* In comparison to the February 2024 average of Rs. 1,320.71 (USD 4.25), shows a marginal decline of Rs. 151.78 and USD 0.29 YOY.

* Total National Sale Average for the year 2025 (to-date) was recorded at an average of Rs. 1,177.35 (USD 4.00), a decline of Rs. 116.43 (USD 0.11) against the corresponding year's average of Rs. 1,293.78 (USD 4.11).

Elevation-Wise Analysis - February 2025:

* All elevations except for the High Grown elevation recorded a decline against vis-à-vis the previous month. Against the corresponding month in the year 2024, all elevations witness a negative variance.

* The High Grown elevation recorded a negative variance in LKR terms, whilst recording a gain in USD terms YoY. The Mid Grown and Low Grown elevations witness negative variance both LKR and USD terms YoY.

(Refer statistical details on Page No. 13)

Tea Demand on rise in Canada

Canadians drink nearly nine billion cups of tea a year, and there is a high possibility these figures will continue to grow during the period of 2025-2026. This is despite the fact that tea prices in the country have significantly increased in recent years, which is mainly due to a generally high rate of inflation in the country.

At present, Canada's per capita tea consumption ranks 20th in the world, while Canadians drink twice as much tea as Americans. The ever-growing popularity of tea in Canada is also reflected by the fact that in Canadian hot tea sales are the fastest growing beverage category these days.

In recent years, the tea range in the Canadian market has been significantly expanded and diversified, which led to a sharp growth of demand for some exotic spicy teas like chai, which is becoming increasingly popular.

The majority of tea drinkers in Canada are between the ages of 35 and 44. Tea is becoming more popular among young people because of its taste, but especially because of its health and environmental benefits. Also adding to the popularity of tea in Canada is the appearance of a vast selection of online sellers as well as an increase in the number of specialty tea shops in the majority of large and small cities in Canada.

Tea is no longer seen as a grocery product, but rather, an important component of day-to-day life for the majority of Canadians. Many Canadian traders and distributors continue to visit Asia every year to rediscover the teas of small producers. They look for rarities and exclusives to offer to their customers.

Source: World Tea News (Extracts), Courtesy: Tea Exporters' Association Sri Lanka

Indian Tea producers demand minimum price and 100% auction

Tea producers from different parts of India held a meeting and sought a minimum sustainable price of made tea and 100% auction of tea.

To sustain quality and remain compliant, price realization needs to compensate the cost of production and allow for a reasonable margin. To monitor and give effect to the same, 100% auction of made teas should also be introduced.

Source: The Hindu (Extracts), Courtesy: Tea Exporters' Association Sri Lanka

CROP AND WEATHER

FOR THE PERIOD 25 February - 3 March 2025

Western/Nuwara Eliya Regions



Western and Nuwara Eliya regions reported rain throughout the week. According to the Department of Meteorology, showers are expected in both regions in the week ahead.

Uva/Udapussellawa Regions



Rain was reported in the Uva and Udapussellawa regions throughout the week. Heavy showers are expected in the Uva Region in the week ahead according to the Department of Meteorology.

Low Grown



The Low Grown Region reported rain throughout the week. The Department of Meteorology expects heavy showers in the Low Grown Region in the week ahead.

Crop

The Western, Nuwara Eliya, Uva and Uda Pussellawa regions reported an increase in the crop intake, whilst the Low Grown region showed a decrease.

HIGH GROWN TEAS

■ Incline from last week
■ Decline from last week
■ Static Market

BOP

Best Western's gained by Rs. 100 per kg and substantially more for select invoices following quality/special inquiry, whilst the others were firm and dearer to lesser extent. In the Below Best category, brighter sorts appreciated by Rs. 50-100 per kg and here again, more for select invoices following special inquiry, whilst the others were firm and dearer to a lesser extent. At the lower end, clean leaf teas were Rs. 20 per kg dearer, whilst the others were irregular. Nuwara Eliya's continued to sell well. Uda Pussellawa's were Rs. 20-30 per kg easier. Uva's gained by Rs. 20-40 per kg and more following special inquiry.

BOPE

Best Western's gained by Rs. 100 per kg and substantially more for select invoices following quality/special inquiry, whilst the others were firm and dearer to a lesser extent. In the Below Best category, brighter sorts gained by Rs. 100 per kg and more, whilst the others were firm and dearer to a lesser extent. At the lower end, clean leaf teas with brighter liquors appreciated by up to Rs. 50 per kg, whilst the others were firm and Rs. 20-30 per kg dearer. Nuwara Eliya's continued to sell well. Uda Pussellawa's were barely steady. Uva's were firm and Rs. 20-30 per kg dearer.

OP/OPA

Well-made varieties were firm to irregularly dearer by Rs. 20 per kg, whilst the Below Best sorts were firm on last. Teas at the lower end gained by Rs. 20-40 per kg and more at times.

PEKOE/PEKOE1

Flavoury PEK's were lower by Rs. 50 per kg. Orthodox Leafy PEK's were irregularly easier, whilst the PEK1's were firm to dearer by Rs. 30-50 per kg. A few select Best and Best Rotovane PEK's gained by Rs. 50-100 per kg following special inquiry, whilst the balance were dearer to a lesser extent following quality. At the lower end of the market, clean leaf teas gained by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the others were barely steady.

FBOP/FBOPF1

Flavoury FBOP/FBOPF1's were dearer by Rs. 50-100 per kg, whilst the well-made Orthodox Leafy FBOP/FBOPF1's were dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg and more at times. Teas at the lower end were firm.

QUOTATIONS LKR

SALE DTE	BOP		BOPE		PEKOE/FBOP		OP	
	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar
Best Westerns	1400-1700	1380 - 1950	1440-1850	1440 - 1850	1340-1550	1340 - 1600	1240-1300	1260 - 1380
Below Best Westerns	1120-1380	1140 - 1340	1240-1420	1280 - 1420	1080-1320	1160 - 1320	1160-1220	1180 - 1240
Plainer Westerns	880-1100	960 - 1100	940-1220	1000 - 1260	890-1060	920 - 1120	1040-1120	1060 - 1160
Nuwara Eliyas	1380-1400	1320 - 1500	1260-1460	1400 - 1550	890-1300	920 - 1400	1100-1180	1160 - 1220
Brighter Udapussellawas	980-1000	1000 - 1040	1080-1120	1080 - 1100	1200-1500	1260 - 1360	1160-1300	1200 - 1260
Other Udapussellawas	900-940	940 - 960	980-1040	960 - 1060	960-1180	1060 - 1200	1060-1140	960 - 1180
Best Uvas	1120	1320 -	1100-1160	1200 - 1260	1280-1550	1300 - 1550	1240-1320	1280 - 1460
Other Uvas	900-1080	920 - 1160	1040	1040 - 1160	960-1260	980 - 1280	1000-1220	1060 - 1260

MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

■ Incline from last week
■ Decline from last week
■ Static Market

BOP	Leafy types appreciated by Rs. 50-100 per kg, whilst the others were firm and Rs. 20-40 per kg dearer.
BOPF	Better sorts were Rs. 20-30 per kg dearer, whilst the others were firm and up to Rs. 20 per kg dearer.
OP/OPA	Well-made OP/OPA's were firm on last week levels, whilst teas at the lower end were dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg and more at times.
PEKOE/PEKOE1	Select Best PEK's were lower by Rs. 30- 50 per kg, whilst the others were firm to dearer by Rs. 20 per kg. Best PEK1 varieties were fully firm to dearer, whilst the Below Best and other mixed varieties gained by Rs. 30-50 per kg.
FBOP/FBOPF1	A few select Best liquoring FBOP's appreciated by Rs. 50-80 per kg, whilst the others in the Best and Below Best categories were firm to easier by Rs. 30 per kg. Teas at the lower end were dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg. Well-made and Below Best FBOPF1's gained by Rs. 30-50 per kg, whilst teas at the lower end were firm.

QUOTATIONS LKR SALE DTE	BOP		BOPF		PEKOE/FBOP		OP	
	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar
Good Mediums	1180-1500	1200 - 1500	1120-1200	1120 - 1200	1400-1750	1450 - 1900	1240-1340	1240 - 1360
Other Mediums	780-1000	840 - 1100	740-1020	780 - 1020	960-1380	1020 - 1400	890-1220	900 - 1220

UNORTHODOX / CTC TEAS

HIGH GROWN	BP1s - Hardly any offerings. PF1s - Teas in the higher price bracket gained by Rs. 20 per kg, whilst the others appreciated by Rs. 20 per kg and more.
MEDIUM GROWN	BP1s - Irregular and tended dearer. PF1s - Sold around last week's levels.
LOW GROWN	BP1s - Firm and up to Rs. 50 per kg dearer. PF1s - Firm and tended dearer.

QUOTATIONS LKR SALE DTE	BP1		PF1	
	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar
High Grown	N/A	N/A	1000-1200	920 - 1240
Medium Grown	920-960	900 - 1300	900-1180	960 - 1220
Low Grown	1140	1100 - 1160	1060-1480	1140 - 1500

OFF GRADES

■	Incline from last week
■	Decline from last week
■	Static Market

FGS1/FGS

Select invoices in the Best category were dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg. Below Best varieties, where quality was maintained, were firm on last, whilst the balance were irregularly lower. Teas at the lower end of the market maintained. Low Grown - Which commenced firm, declined by Rs. 30-50 per kg as the sale progressed. CTC - Clean leaf invoices in the Best category appreciated, whilst the balance were firm to dearer by Rs. 10 per kg.

BROKENS

Reducer varieties in the Best category were dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the balance maintained. Below Best together with the poorer sorts were firm on last.

BOP1A

Main Grade reducer varieties in the Best category were firm, whilst the balance were firm to dearer by Rs. 20 per kg. Below Best varieties together with the poorer sorts in general were dearer, whilst select invoices maintained round last week's levels.

QUOTATIONS LKR

SALE DTE	HIGH		MEDIUM		LOW	
	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar
Better Fannings (Orthodox)	800-1260	780 - 1260	820-1040	790 - 1040	820-940	790 - 980
Better Fannings (CTC)	N/A	N/A	790-840	790 - 820	800-1240	790 - - 1220
Other Fannings (Orthodox)	720-780	690 - 760	720-800	700 - 780	690-800	680 - - 770
Other Fannings (CTC)	N/A	780 -	760-780	740 - 770	730-790	720 - - 780
Good Brokens	850-980	850 - 1140	850-1120	830 - 1220	840-1300	820 - 1400
Other Brokens	820-840	770 - 840	790-830	790 - 810	770-820	720 - 780
Better BOP1As	920-940	920 - 960	890-1000	920 - 1080	880-1300	900 - 1380
Other BOP1As	880-900	880 - 900	830-880	870 - 900	820-870	830 - 880

DUSTS

DUST1

Select Best Dust1's, where quality was maintained, appreciated by Rs. 60-100 per kg, whilst the others remained firm. Best varieties were dearer by Rs. 40-60 per kg. The Below Best varieties, where quality was maintained, were dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the others were firm. The poorer sorts were firm. Low Grown - Best invoices were firm. The Below Best varieties and poorer sorts were firm to dearer by Rs. 20-30 per kg. Best High and Mid Grown CTC's were dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the Below Best varieties together with the poorer sorts were firm. Best Low Grown varieties were firm to dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the Below Best varieties and poorer sorts were firm.

DUST

Clean Leaf secondaries were firm, whilst the poorer sorts were firm to dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg. Best Low Grown varieties were firm, whilst the Below Best varieties and poorer sorts were firm to dearer by Rs. 20-30 per kg.

QUOTATIONS LKR

SALE DTE	HIGH		MEDIUM		LOW	
	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar
Better Primary Dust (Orthodox)	1150-1600	1150 - 1650	1100-1200	1040 - 1100	1000-1160	1000 -
Better Primary Dust (CTC) P. Dust	1100-1200	1100 - 1180	1140-1220	1150 - 1220	1140-1400	1160 - 1480
Below Best Primary Dust (Orthodox)	1040-1140	1050 - 1120	830-1080	850 - 1020	760-980	770 - 980
Other Primary Dust (CTC) P. Dust	960-1080	1000 - 1080	940-1100	1000 - 1120	810-1120	840 - 1140
Other Primary Dust (Orthodox)	690-1020	730 - 1040	710-820	680 - 840	660-750	710 - 760
Better Secondary Dust	1040-1180	1050 - 1180	840-860	880 - 1080	1000-1160	1020 - 1180
Other Secondary Dust	700-1020	710 - 1020	680-820	670 - 860	670-980	670 - 980

LOW GROWN TEAS

■ Incline from last week
■ Decline from last week
■ Static Market

FBOP/FBOP1	Well-made FBOP's together with the cleaner Below Best were firm. However, the bolder varieties together with the teas at the bottom were easier. FBOP1, in general, were firm.
BOP	Well-made BOP's were firm, whilst the cleaner Below Best and cleaner teas at the bottom appreciated. The balance were easier following quality.
BOP1	Well-made BOP1's together with the Below Best and bolder varieties were easier, whilst the teas at the bottom sold around last levels.
OP1	Select Best and Best OP1's were easier, whilst the balance sold around last levels.
OP	High-priced OP's declined, whilst the balance together with smaller varieties appreciated.
OPA	Well-made OPA's were dearer, whilst the Below Best and the teas at the bottom were easier.
PEKOE	High-priced PEK's were firm to selectively dearer, whilst the Best and Below Best together with the mixed/open varieties were easier. Teas at the bottom were fully firm. Select Best PEK1's were easier, whilst the Best and Below Best together with cleaner leaf teas at the bottom appreciated. The balance were irregular.
BOPF	Well-made BOPF's appreciated, whilst the balance were firm on last.
FBOPF/FBOPF1	High-priced Tippy teas were firm, whilst the Best and Below Best varieties appreciated. Teas at the bottom were firm. Select Best FF1's were firm, whilst the Best and Below Best sorts appreciated. Teas at the bottom were easier.

QUOTATIONS LKR SALE DTE	SELECT BEST		BEST		BELOW BEST		OTHERS	
	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar	25/26 Feb	04/05 Mar
FBOP 1	1800-1900	1800 - 1900	1500-1550	1500 - 1550	1300-1350	1300 - 1350	1000-1100	1000 - 1100
FBOP	2200-2400	2300 - 2550	1550-1600	1550 - 1600	1300-1350	1300 - 1350	950-1000	900 - 1000
BOP 1	2200-3100	2100 - 3000	1850-2150	1750 - 2050	1300-1500	1300 - 1460	850-1280	850 - 1280
BOP	1600-1800	1600 - 1800	1400-1450	1400 - 1450	1250-1350	1250 - 1350	950-1000	950 - 1000
BOPF	1450-1650	1400 - 1650	900-1000	900 - 1000	850-900	850 - 900	800-850	800 - 850
FBOPF (TIPPY)/FBOPF SP	3800-4800	3500 - 4400	3300-3500	3300 - 3400	2000-2500	2000 - 2500	1000	1000 -
FBOPF 1	1500-1600	1550 - 1700	1350-1450	1400 - 1450	1250-1300	1300 - 1350	950-1000	950 - 1000
FBOPF	1600-1800	1500 - 1750	1350-1450	1350 - 1450	1250-1300	1250 - 1300	900-950	900 - 950
OP 1	2850-3450	2800 - 3400	2400-2800	2350 - 2750	1650-2350	1650 - 2300	900-1600	900 - 1500
OP	1480-1900	1480 - 1700	1380-1460	1380 - 1460	1320-1360	1320 - 1360	900-1300	950 - 1300
OPA	1460-1900	1460 - 1950	1360-1440	1360 - 1440	1260-1340	1260 - 1340	900-1240	900 - 1240
PEKOE	1460-2150	1440 - 2250	1300-1440	1300 - 1420	1180-1280	1180 - 1280	800-1160	800 - 1160
PEK 1	1600-2300	1650 - 2200	1340-1550	1380 - 1600	1220-1320	1220 - 1360	800-1200	800 - 1200

TOP PRICE

WESTERN MEDIUM			
Doombagastalawa	BOP	@	1500
Harangalla	BOP	@	1420
Craighead	BOP	@	1400
Kenilworth	BOP		1400
Ancoombra	BOPSp		1460
Windsorforest	BOPSp	@	1320
Hill Castle	BOPSp		1320
Rilagala	BOPSp	@	1300
Vellai Oya	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1200
Craighead	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1100
Nayapane	BOP1		1500
Hanthana Hills	BOP1		1500
Craighead	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1900
Harangalla	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1700
Datry Valley	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1700
New Rothschild	FBOP/FBOP1		1700
Imboolpitiya	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1650
Craighead	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1650
Hayes	OP/OPA		1400
Craighead	OP/OPA	@	1360
Hatale	OP1		1600
Harangalla	OP1	@	1550
Dolosbage Super	OP1		1550
Galgewatta	OP1		1550
New Rothschild	OP1		1550
Galgewatta	OP1		1550
Meezan	PEK/PEK1		1750
Uplands	PEK/PEK1		1750
WESTERN HIGH			
Robgill	BOP	@	1950
Dessford	BOP	@	1950
Somerset	BOP	@	1500
Robgill	BOPSp	@	1900
Robgill	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1850
Inverness	BOP1		1600
Glenloch	BOP1	@	1550
Cymru	FBOP/FBOP1		1600
Bambarakelly	FBOP/FBOP1		1600
Torrington	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1500
Queensberry	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1460
Inverness	FBOPF/FBOPF1		1550
Queensberry	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1380
Glenloch	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1380
Venture	OP/OPA		1380
Venture	OP1		1550
Holyrood	PEK/PEK1	@	1750
Somerset	PEK/PEK1	@	1750
Dessford	PEK/PEK1	@	1750
NUWARA ELIYAS			
Lovers Leap	BOP		1500
Kenmare	BOPSp	@	980
Mahagastotte	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1550
Court Lodge	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1400
Kenmare	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1380

NUWARA ELIYAS			
Court Lodge	OP/OPA	@	1220
Kenmare	OP/OPA	@	1160
Mahagastotte	PEK/PEK1	@	1300
UDAPUSSELLAWAS			
Kirklees	BOP		1040
luckland	BOP		1040
Kirklees	BOPSp		960
Luckyland	BOPF/BOPFSp		1100
Blairlomond	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1460
Blairlomond	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1380
Delmar	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1360
Delmar	OP/OPA	@	1260
Blairlomond	OP/OPA	@	1220
Blairlomond	OP1	@	1300
Delmar	PEK/PEK1	@	1440
LOW GROWNS			
Golden Garden	BOP		1950
Kelani	BOPSp	@	1800
Gunawardena	BOPSp	@	1650
Sithaka	BOPF		1900
Pothotuwa	BOPF	@	1650
Dellawa	BOPF	@	1650
Kiruwanaganga	BOPF	@	1400
Adams View	BOPFSp	@	1650
Sithaka	FBOP		2750
Kiruwanaganga	FBOP	@	2550
Adams View	FBOP	@	2500
Galatara	FBOP		2500
Lions	FBOP		2500
Ceciliyan	FBOP1		1950
Richiland	FBOPF		2400
Pothotuwa	FBOPF1	@	1700
Galatara	FBOPF1		1700
Makandura	FBOPF1		1700
Gunawardena	FBOPF1	@	1650
New Hopewell	FBOPF1	@	1600
Adams View	FBOPF1	@	1600
Samrin	FBOPF1		1600
Fairyland	FBOPF1		1600
Sunrise	FBOPF1		1600
Lellopitiya Super	FBOPF1		1600
Pothotuwa	BOP1	@	3000
Pothotuwa	OP1	@	3400
Miriswatta	OP		1700
Liyonta	OPA		1900
Lumbini	PEK		2250
Dampahala	PEK1		2200
Andaradeniya Super	PEK1		2200
Mulatiyana Hills	PEK1		2200
Hidellana	PEK1	@	2150
Golden Garden	PEK1		2150
Galatara	PEK1		2150
Stream Line	PEK1		2150

UVA MEDIUM			
Roseland Uva	BOP		1000
Hindagala	BOPSp		1300
Ambrosia Uva	BOPSp	@	1240
Blossoms Uva Tea	BOPSp	@	1220
El Teb	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1140
Aruna Passara	BOP1		1550
Roseland Uva	FBOP/FBOP1		1750
Dickwella	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1700
Sarnia Plaiderie	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1500
Sarnia Plaiderie	OP/OPA	@	1320
Dickwella	OP1	@	1750
Haputale Super	OP1	@	1600
Misty Uva	OP1	@	1600
Rathkelle Uva	OP1	@	1600
Shawlands	PEK/PEK1	@	1500
Cecilton	PEK/PEK1		1500
Misty Uva	PEK/PEK1	@	1480
Adawatte	PEK/PEK1		1480
Roseland Uva	PEK/PEK1		1480
Tinioya	PEK/PEK1		1480
UVA HIGH			
Pitaratmalie	BOP		1320
Bandaraeliya	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1260
Nayabedde	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1200
Uva Highlands	BOP1	@	1750
Uva Highlands	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1550
Glenanore	FBOP/FBOP1		1550
Glenanore	FBOPF/FBOPF1		1380
Ellathota Uva	OP/OPA		1460
Uva Highlands	OP1		1600
Glenanore	PEK/PEK1	@	1550
Ellathota Uva	PEK/PEK1	@	1500
Battawatte	PEK/PEK1		1500
UNORTHODOX HIGH			
Dunsinane CTC	PF1		1240

UNORTHODOX MEDIUM			
New Peacock CTC	PF1		1220
New Peacock CTC	BP1		1300
Aultmore CTC	BPS	@	1000
UNORTHODOX LOW			
Kalubowitiyana CTC	PF1		1500
Ceciliyan CTC	BP1	@	1160
Lantern Hill CTC	BPS		860
PREMIUM FLOWERY			
Kurunduwatta	FBOPFSp		4100
H P P Tea	FBOPFExSP		4400
Greenwin Super	FBOPFExSP1		4050
Kendalanda	FBOPFExSP1		4000
Kiruwanaganga	FBOPFExSP1	@	3900
DUSTS			
Mattakelle	DUST 1		1650
Kalubowitiyana CTC	PD	@	1480
OFF GRADES			
Holyrood	FGS/FGS1	@	1260
Wanarajah	FGS/FGS1	@	1240
Hingalgoda CTC	PF		1220
Dellawa CTC	PF	@	1020
Bogoda	BM		1080
Nilgiri	BP		1400
Ransegoda Hills	BP		1400
Nandana	BP		1300
Bogoda	BP		1300
Hidellana	BP		1300
New Kandedola	BP	@	1280
Chandrika Estate	BP	@	1280
Fairyland	BP		1280
Chandrika Estate	BOP1A	@	1380

@ - SOLD BY FORBES & WALKER TEA BROKERS (PVT) LTD. ** - ALL TIME RECORD PRICE. * - EQUAL ALL TIME RECORD PRICE

QUANTITY SOLD

DURING THE PERIOD 24TH FEBRUARY-01ST MARCH 2025	WEEKLY (KGS)		TODATE (KGS)	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
PRIVATE SALES	216,701	120,657	1,746,988	870,869
PUBLIC AUCTION	4,764,328	4,009,748	39,973,252	37,621,396
FORWARD CONTRACTS	73,620	30,000	551,516	160,000
DIRECT SALES	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
TOTAL	5,054,649	4,160,405	42,271,756	38,652,265
BMF EXCLUDED FROM PRIVATE SALE	21,600	54,415	336,950	347,477

(QUANTITY SOLD AND THE AVERAGE PRICE PER AUCTION)

	Quantity (M/kgs)			AVG Price (LKR)			Avg Price (USD)		
	2025	2024	2023	2025	2024	2023	2025	2024	2023
19TH FEBRUARY 2025	4.86	4.32	4.1	1176.75	1338.30	1451.35	4.04	4.33	4.04
25TH FEBRUARY 2025	4.76	4.00	4.32	1205.51	1315.67	1460.57	4.14	4.26	4.06

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka / Buying Rates

RATES OF EXCHANGE

SRI LANKA RUPEE APPROX PER UNIT OF CURRENCY

YEAR	2025	2024	2023
USD	290.99	306.06	357.68
STG.PD	367.90	386.49	428.87
EURO	303.26	330.31	376.35
YEN	1.94	2.02	2.60

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka / Buying Rates

PUBLIC AUCTION/GROSS SALES AVERAGE

SALE NO 8 25TH/ 26TH FEBRUARY 2025	WEEKLY(LKR)			TODATE (LKR)			WEEKLY(USD)			TODATE(USD)		
	2025	2024	2023	2025	2024	2023	2025	2024	2023	2025	2024	2023
Uva High Grown	1014.57	1117.25	1267.28	1035.95	1035.41	1241.45	3.48	3.62	3.52	3.52	3.28	3.42
Western High Grown	1153.13	1199.81	1490.09	1148.48	1147.32	1485.34	3.96	3.89	4.14	3.90	3.64	4.09
CTC High Grown	1070.48	1150.58	1286.77	1090.13	1128.04	1254.96	3.67	3.73	3.58	3.70	3.57	3.45
High Grown (Summary)	1123.21	1185.43	1429.73	1114.11	1120.40	1420.42	3.85	3.84	3.98	3.78	3.55	3.91
Uva Medium Grown	1086.63	1189.77	1277.34	1063.75	1106.05	1256.11	3.73	3.86	3.55	3.61	3.50	3.46
Western Medium Grown	1034.65	1132.73	1237.39	1029.51	1100.20	1223.52	3.55	3.67	3.44	3.49	3.49	3.37
CTC Medium Grown	952.62	979.44	1152.64	966.59	938.78	1124.40	3.27	3.17	3.20	3.28	2.97	3.09
Medium Grown (Summary)	1044.66	1146.04	1249.18	1040.36	1101.79	1232.94	3.58	3.71	3.47	3.53	3.49	3.39
Orthodox Low Grown	1282.20	1424.59	1536.52	1275.19	1424.84	1569.19	4.40	4.62	4.27	4.33	4.51	4.32
CTC Low Grown	977.13	1019.27	1070.63	960.18	1078.33	1060.28	3.35	3.30	2.98	3.26	3.42	2.92
Low Grown(Summary)	1267.24	1397.09	1514.64	1262.12	1400.63	1541.87	4.35	4.53	4.21	4.28	4.44	4.24
Total	1205.51	1315.67	1460.57	1197.79	1298.21	1472.50	4.14	4.26	4.06	4.07	4.11	4.05

Source: Oanda Exchange Rates

Source: MSL - Averages

NATIONAL TEA SALE AVERAGES MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2025

	MONTH(LKR)			TODATE (LKR)			MONTH(USD)			TODATE(USD)		
	2025	2024	2023	2025	2024	2023	2025	2024	2023	2025	2024	2023
Uva High Grown	1026.15	1098.65	1252.17	1046.36	1049.60	1250.44	3.48	3.54	3.45	3.55	3.33	3.44
Western High Grown	1155.01	1203.84	1495.90	1155.92	1165.24	1491.40	3.92	3.88	4.12	3.92	3.70	4.11
CTC High Grown	1083.19	1137.51	1287.25	1092.44	1126.76	1263.94	3.67	3.66	3.54	3.71	3.58	3.48
High Grown (Summary)	1105.71	1168.96	1402.55	1105.68	1121.84	1398.13	3.75	3.76	3.86	3.75	3.56	3.85
Uva Medium Grown	1057.29	1165.09	1229.11	1065.05	1109.21	1244.10	3.59	3.75	3.38	3.62	3.52	3.42
Western Medium Grown	1030.67	1147.12	1203.16	1031.64	1109.16	1224.46	3.50	3.69	3.31	3.50	3.52	3.37
CTC Medium Grown	965.37	970.02	1109.68	965.15	938.60	1112.15	3.27	3.12	3.05	3.28	2.98	3.06
Medium Grown (Summary)	1028.28	1156.74	1257.27	1033.51	1113.05	1248.65	3.49	3.72	3.46	3.51	3.53	3.44
Orthodox Low Grown	1258.45	1449.60	1540.27	1277.72	1433.46	1570.81	4.27	4.67	4.24	4.34	4.55	4.32
CTC Low Grown	967.37	1043.83	1039.86	957.31	1070.46	1060.38	3.28	3.36	2.86	3.25	3.40	2.92
Low Grown(Summary)	1225.50	1409.78	1489.99	1240.63	1399.38	1521.44	4.16	4.54	4.10	4.21	4.44	4.19
Total	1168.93	1320.71	1438.20	1177.35	1293.78	1454.84	3.96	4.25	3.96	4.00	4.11	4.00

Source: Oanda Exchange Rates

Source: SLTB

WORLD TEA PRODUCTION (M/KGS)

	2023	2024	2025	TODATE			DIFFERENCE +/-	
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023 vs 2024	2024 vs 2025
Jan								
Sri Lanka	18.5	18.5	21.5	18.5	18.5	21.5	0	3

	2022	2023	2024	TODATE			DIFFERENCE +/-	
	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024	2022 vs 2023	2023 vs 2024
Dec								
Bangladesh	7.8	7.8	6.4	93.8	102.9	93	9.1	-9.9
North India	50	66.3	11.1	1134.5	1156.9	1058	22.4	-98.9
South India	14.5	18.1	18.3	231.8	236.7	226.8	4.9	-9.9

	2022	2023	2024	TODATE			DIFFERENCE +/-	
	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024	2022 vs 2023	2023 vs 2024
Nov								
Malawi	1.7	2.7	3.2	43.1	39.3	44.8	-3.8	5.5

	2022	2023	2024	TODATE			DIFFERENCE +/-	
	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024	2022 vs 2023	2023 vs 2024
Oct								
Kenya	50.6	52.8	50.1	430.3	465	495.2	34.7	30.2

DETAILS OF AWAITING SALE

SALE NO : 10

Scheduled for 10TH/11TH MARCH 2025

	LOTS	QUANTITY
ExEstate	870	843,999
High & Medium	1,251	531,004
Leafy	1,835	659,492
Semi Leafy	1,472	600,985
Tippy	1,812	846,900
Premium Flowery	419	68,082
OffGrades	1,984	972,185
Dust	543	474,796
Total	10,186	4,997,443
RePrint	1,051	508,258

17/03/2025

Buyers Prompt

18/03/2025

Sellers Prompt

This sale last year
Sale No. 10 | 05TH/ 06TH MARCH 2024

Lots :10,510
Re-print Lots :559
Quantity :5,190,316 kgs
Re-print Quantity :271,502 kgs

LOW GROWN CATALOGUES

Violations Excluded

20/02/2025

LEAFY
Closed

SEMI-LEAFY
Closed

TIPPY
Closed

OTHER MAIN SALE CATALOGUES

20/02/2025

HIGH & MEDIUM
Closed

PREMIUM FLOWERY
Closed

OFF GRADES
Closed

NO .OF PKGS
128,807

CTC
8,860 Pkgs - 479,641 kgs

ORDER OF SALE

Ex-Estate	LG Large Leaf//Semi Leafy/LG Small Leaf/BOP1A/ Premium	High & Medium/Off Grade /Dust	Approx Selling time of F&W Catalogues	
AS	LC	JK	10TH	
BC	BC	EB	MARCH 2025	
FW	MB	CTB	10.30am	Semy-Leafy Teas
EB	FW	LC	11.30am	Lefy Teas
CTB	AS	BC	12.00pm	Low Grown - Tippy Teas
LC	EB	FW	12.00pm	Main Sale - High & Medium
JK	CTB	MB	2.30pm	BOP1A
MB	JK	AS	4.30pm	Premium Flowery
			5.00pm	Off Grade
BC - Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd FW - Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd			11TH	
LC - Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd AS - Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC			MARCH 2025	
EB - Eastern Brokers Ltd JK - John Keells PLC			9.00am	Ex-Estate
CTB - Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC MB - Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt)Ltd			1.30pm	Dust

DETAILS OF AWAITING SALE

SALE NO : 11

Scheduled for 18TH/19TH MARCH 2025

	LOTS	QUANTITY
ExEstate	899	937,045
High & Medium	1,268	532,570
Leafy	1,758	635,170
Semi Leafy	1,390	547,101
Tippy	1,634	749,722
Premium Flowery	285	38,354
OffGrades	1,954	697,918
Dust	543	465,061
Total	9,731	4,872,941
RePrint	755	388,056

25/03/2025

Buyers Prompt

26/03/2025

Sellers Prompt

This sale last year
Sale No. 11 | 12TH/ 13TH MARCH 2024

Lots	:10,643
Re-print Lots	:697
Quantity	:5,303,817 kgs
Re-print Quantity	:338,245 kgs

LOW GROWN CATALOGUES

Violations Excluded

27/02/2025

LEAFY
Closed

SEMI-LEAFY
Closed

TIPPY
Closed

OTHER MAIN SALE CATALOGUES

27/02/2025

HIGH &
MEDIUM
Closed

PREMIUM
FLOWERY
Closed

OFF
GRADES
Closed

NO .OF PKGS
124,404

CTC
9,975 Pkgs - 541,801 kgs

CATALOGUE CLOSURE DETAILS

18/19

MARCH 2025

Sale No. 11

The Ex-Estate catalogue closed on 27th February 2025, excluding violations. The Main Sale catalogues too closed on 27th February 2025, excluding violations.

25/26

MARCH 2025

Sale No. 12

The Ex-Estate and Main Sale catalogues are scheduled to close on 06h March 2025.

01/02

APRIL 2025

Sale No. 13

The Ex-Estate and Main Sale catalogues are scheduled to close on 14th March 2025.

TEA MARKETS AROUND THE WORLD

MOMBASA AUCTION

SALE OF - 3RD & 04TH MARCH 2025 (SALE 09)

Good general demand prevailed in the market but at steady to easier rates for the 199,972 packages (13,478,259.00 kilos) with 25.88% remaining unsold.

OFFERINGS

Leaf Grades - 109,020 packages (7,185,168.00 kilos) - 30.12% unsold.

Dust Grades - 67,920 packages (5,090,995.00 kilos) - 25.94% unsold.

Secondary Grades - 23,032 packages (1,202,096.00 kilos) - 5.64% unsold.

MARKETS

Pakistan Packers, Yemen and other Middle Eastern countries were active but at lower levels while Kazakhstan and other CIS states maintained interest. Egyptian Packers lent good support but at lower rates with Afghanistan and Bazaar selective. UK were active but more selective while Russia and Sudan showed less interest. Local Packers lent selective enquiry while Somalia maintained support at the lower end of the market.

LEAF GRADES (M2 & M3)

BP1:

Best - Irregularly discounted by up to USC38 but a few lines were up to USC18 above previous rates.

Brighter - Mostly easier by up to USC27 with select invoices up to USC16 dearer.

Mediums - KTDA mediums were saw irregular interest and varied between USC9 dearer to mostly easier by up to USC31; plantations mediums lost up to USC28.

Lower Medium - Firm to mostly dearer by up to USC20 but select teas lost up to USC3.

Plainer - Shed up to USC14 for some invoices while others were steady to USC5 dearer.

PF1:

Best - Met less enquiry and lost USC24 with some lines up to USC43 below previous prices; a few invoices were steady to USC6 dearer.

Brighter - Were up to USC15 easier but select teas gained up to USC4.

Mediums - KTDA mediums were irregularly discounted by up to USC20; plantation mediums shed up to USC25.

Lower Medium - Irregular at steady to USC22 dearer to easier by up to USC11.

Plainer - Met irregular support and ranged between firm to USC16 dearer to USC6 easier.

CTC QUOTATIONS	BPI - USC	PF1 - USC
Best	276 - 366	300 - 412
Good	280 - 326	284 - 329
Good Medium	250 - 308	285 - 325
Medium (KTDA)	150 - 240	146 - 293
Medium (Plantations)	150 - 231	140 - 236
Lower Medium	135 - 183	120 - 178
Plainer	108 - 142	087 - 138

DUST GRADES (M1)

PDUST:

Best - Met irregular enquiry and varied between firm to USC12 above previous rates to easier by up to USC17.

Brighter - Easier by up to USC19.

Mediums - KTDA mediums were discounted by up to USC14 with some lines USC30 below last levels but a few invoices were up to USC15 dearer; plantation mediums saw strong competition and were firm to USC8 dearer to easier by up to USC3.

Lower Medium - Saw fair absorption but at easier rates losing up to USC12.

Plainer - Irregular ranging between steady to USC6 dearer to easier by a similar margin.

DUST1:

Best - Some lines advanced by up to USC14 while others mostly shed up to USC16.

Brighter - Mostly lost up to USC25 but select invoices were USC10 above previous levels.

Mediums - KTDA mediums saw some invoices gain up to USC15 while others eased by up to USC33 with plantation mediums losing up to USC13.

Lower Medium - Irregular varying between firm to USC10 dearer to easier by up to USC10 while select teas lost up to USC33.

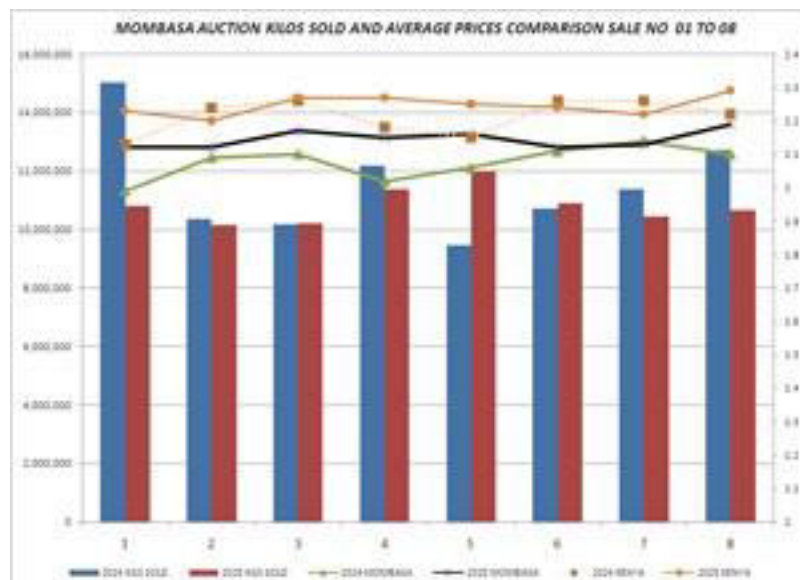
Plainer - Steady to USC4 dearer to easier by up to USC11.

CTC QUOTATIONS	PDUST - USC	DUST1 - USC
Best	285 - 398	290 - 347
Good	275 - 318	260 - 305
Good Medium	270 - 316	269 - 313
Medium (KTDA)	145 - 284	145 - 295
Medium (Plantations)	185 - 294	160 - 203
Lower Medium	118 - 203	120 - 180
Plainer	108 - 159	098 - 144

SECONDARY GRADES (S1)

In the Secondary Catalogues, BPs were dearer with PFs steady. Clean well sorted coloury Fannings held value while similar DUSTs were irregular mostly tending easier. Other Fannings gained while DUSTs held value. BMFs were readily absorbed.

SECONDARY QUOTATIONS (USC)	BP/BP2	PF/PF2	FNGS1/FNGS	DUST/DUST2	BMF
Best/Good	171 - 271	190 - 244	116 - 226	100 - 255	-
Good Medium/Medium	-	-	125 - 178	100 - 213	-
Lower Medium	118 - 139	116 - 143	079 - 156	055 - 129	081 - 110
Plainer	092 - 128	074 - 118	082 - 111	075 - 116	072 - 090



Courtesy - Africa Tea Brokers Limited.

BANGLADESH AUCTION

3RD MARCH 2025 (SALE 43)

CTC LEAF: 53,021 packages of tea on offer met with less demand.

BROKEN: A few clean Broken on offer met with a good demand at around last levels. All other varieties met with a fair demand and where sold eased in line with quality particularly the plainer varieties. BLF teas continued to meet with a restricted demand with very heavy withdrawals.

FANNINGS: A few clean Fannings met with a fairly good demand and were about steady. The remainder met with a fair demand but eased in line with quality particularly the plainer types. BLF teas continued to meet with a restricted demand with very heavy withdrawals.

DUST: 7,604 packages of tea on offer met with a good demand. Good liquoring Dusts were in good demand at slightly easier rates. Mediums also saw a decline in price but sold well closely following quality. Plain/BLF Dusts were difficult of sale with heavy withdrawals. Blenders lent strong support with fair interest from the Loose tea buyers.

COMMENTS: The bulk of the offerings constituted of plain end of season types which met with a restricted demand and witnessed heavy withdrawals. However, a few clean teas continued to meet with a fairly good demand and sold in line with quality. Blenders continued to lend good support with less interest from the Loose tea buyers.

Dusts were an easier market.

Our Catalogue: (Sale 43) Avg : Tk 190.57, Sold 47.42% , (Sale 42) Avg : Tk 191.77, Sold 49.21%

QUOTATIONS	BROKEN	QUOTATIONS	FANNINGS
Best	1.82-1.86	Best	1.82-1.86
Good	1.69-1.78	Good	1.69-1.78
Medium	1.45-1.53	Medium	1.45-1.53
Plain	1.32-1.40	Plain	1.32-1.40
BLF	1.32-nom	BLF	1.32-nom

Courtesy - National Brokers Limited.

TEA MARKETS AROUND THE WORLD

COONOR AUCTION

SALE OF - 28TH FEBRUARY 2025 (SALE 09)

CTC LEAF

DEMAND: - Continued Good demand.

MARKET: - The total CTC leaf teas sold this week was 90.44 (1,112,212.04kgs) of the total offering of 1,229,827.79Kgs.

BEST:- Larger broken were not on offer in this category this week. Other broken grade continued to meet with good demand with prices ruling firm to dearer on quality. Fanning sold firm to dearer. Regional packagers were active along with selective buying from local buyers.

GOOD:- Good demand on the few larger broken on offer and prices were dearer following quality, however the other sorts were irregular and easier following quality. There were no fanning grade on offer in this category. Regional packagers, upcountry buyers were fairly active whilst the major blenders were continued to be selective.

BETTER MEDIUM :- Larger broken were steady. Medium broken at the lower end sold easier by up to Rs 3 whilst the top end sold steady. Smaller broken at the lower end saw a slight increment in the price whilst the top end saw a couple of rupees easier. Fanning sold fully firm. Major blenders , upcountry and local buyers were fairly active. Exporters were selective on the larger and medium broken.

MEDIUM :- Larger broken sold fully firm. Other sorts in this category sold barely steady except for select few medium broken which saw a better demand and prices were at par or higher than some of the better medium, medium broken. Exporters continued to be active on the larger and select medium and smaller broken. Major blenders and select internal buyers were selective on their buying along with the upcountry buyers.

PLAINERS:- Good demand with larger broken at steady prices. All other sorts in this category sold barely steady to easier. Exporters were active on the larger and select medium broken. Major blenders and internal buyers were selective along with the upcountry buyers.

BUYING PATTERN: - The major blenders off take was 39.26% of the total CTC leaf sold.

ORTHODOX LEAF

DEMAND: - Good demand.

MARKET: - The Whole leaf grades of the high grown continue to sell at firm to dearer whilst the others sold at firm prices. Broken and fanning grades fetched irregular prices following quality.

BUYING PATTERN: - Exporters & up country buyers continued to be fairly active.

CTC DUST

DEMAND: - Good demand.

MARKET: - CTC dust offer this week was at 311,679.56Kgs of which 279,336.04kgs were sold (89.62%). Best and good teas continue to meet good demand from the regional packager along with local buyers and prices ruling firm closely following quality and competition. Better medium teas sold irregularly around last levels. Medium and the plainer category teas sold at barely steady levels.

BUYING PATTERN: - Major blenders were selective especially on the finer dust in the good and better medium categories. Regional and local packeteers were active on the best category and good teas. Up country and the local buyers were fairly active. Exporters were active on better medium, medium & plainer, cleaner, blacker sorts.

ORTHODOX DUST

DEMAND: - Good demand.

MARKET: - Primary dusts sold at irregular prices following quality and competition especially on the high grown, others sold dearer. Secondary teas saw some selective invoices fetching dearer prices whilst the others were barely steady to easier.

BUYING PATTERN: - Regional & local packeteers were active on primary dusts. Exporters continue to be choosy on the secondary dusts.

Courtesy - J.Thomas & Co. Pvt. Ltd

TEA MARKETS AROUND THE WORLD

COCHIN AUCTION

25TH FEBRUARY 2025 (SALE 09)

QUANTITY	2025 kgs	2024 kgs
ORX LEAF	1,83,776	2,13,434
CTC LEAF	35,563	52,165
TOTAL	2,19,339	2,65,599

ORTHODOX LEAF

MARKET:

There was good demand this week.

Clean, black, well made Whole-leaf and Larger Brokens were fully firm to dearer; The remainder was irregular and occasionally easier, following quality.

BUYING PATTERN:

M.E. - Active

C.I.S. - Good support HUL - Selective

CTC LEAF

MARKET:

This week saw good demand.

All varieties were firm to occasionally dearer.

BUYING PATTERN:

Major Blenders - Active Internal - Mainstay Exporters - Selective

Courtesy -J.T. COCHIN

MALAWI AUCTION

26TH FEBRUARY 2025 (SALE 09)

There was improved demand at generally firm to dearer rates for the 4300 packages on offer.

BP1 - Few available on offer were up to 6USC dearer on last.

PF1/PD were firm to 2USC dearer.

D1 were fully firm on last.

PF1SC - Single invoice sold 15USC below valuation, balance were taken out.

Secondary fngs appreciated by 3USC where sold, respective dusts held firm.

Courtesy -TEA BROKERS CENTRAL AFRICA LIMITED

GUWAHATI AUCTION

25TH FEBRUARY 2025 (SALE 09)

Market: CTC

There was fair demand. All sorts were irregular commensurate with quality.

Buying Pattern: CTC.

There was very selective enquiry from HUL/ TCPL. Western India / North India buyers operated. Internal were the mainstay.

Market: DUST

The dust market witnessed a similar trend to the leaf being irregular following quality.

Buying Pattern: DUST

HUL/ Western India operated selectively. North India / Internal buyers were the mainstay.

Courtesy -ASSOCIATED BROKERS PVT. LTD

KOLKATA/SILIGURI AUCTION

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