

SALE NO.36 OF 10TH/ 11TH SEPTEMBER, 2019.

C O M M E N T S

A total weight of 7.1 m/kgs was on offer this week. Low Grown Leafy/Tippy/Premium Flowery Grades comprised of 3.5 m/kgs, an increase of 0.3 m/kgs to last, whilst Main Sale High & Medium category teas again totaled 0.7 m/kgs. Teas on offer in the Ex Estate catalogue amounted to a little over 0.9 m/kgs which was lower to the previous week. Heavy precipitation experienced in the western high grown plantations has somewhat lessened although it is still rather gloomy and lacking in sun light. Uva / Uda Pussellawa areas are currently experiencing bright weather and crop harvests from these regions have shown an increase.

There was fair demand from the Middle Eastern buyers for low grown albeite some being more selective. Iran was more selective whilst Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Jordon, and Syria displayed their usual levels of interest, Buyers for Turkey were active on Pekoes and, Russia supported the cleaner OP / OPA's. Teas at the bottom-end received less demand particularly from Iraq.

Improved demand was seen for the selection of better high grown teas on offer in the Ex Estate catalogue. Select best westerns appreciated up to Rs.20/- and sometimes more following special enquiry, but, teas at the lower end of the market continued to struggle and were mostly neglected. CTC teas met with better interest from "Tea Bag" buyers with fully firm to dearer prices prevailing at the commencement of the auction which improved further with the progress of the sale. Buyers for Japan were more active for the better liquoring types, but interest from Hong Kong was again subdued. Russia was observed to operate on a wider cross section of CTC teas with invoices having neater and cleaner leaf appreciating further as the sale progressed.

This week's auction comprised of **12,300** lots with a total quantity of **7,144,361** Kgs.
 The catalogue-wise breakdown was as follows: -

	Lot	Qty. (Kgs)
Low Grown Leafy	4,286	2,039,925
Low Grown Tippy	2,265	1,229,966
High & Medium	1,411	754,364
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,415	1,372,455
Dust	704	711,356
Premium Flowery	390	89,134
Ex-Estate	<u>829</u>	<u>947,161</u>
Total	<u>12,300</u>	<u>7,144,361</u>

In lighter vein

Flowers Joke

"What the heck is going on here?" said an angry man storming into the florist shop. "I just lost one of my main clients and it's your fault!" "Why don't you calm down a bit" said the lady behind the counter, "and let us know what exactly happened." "Well," said the man "My biggest client moved to a new location, and to be nice I called you guys up and asked you to send him some flowers with a note saying "congratulations on your new location." He calls me up and says to me "what's the big deal with sending me a note that says "rest in peace?!" "Oh no!" she sighed, "now I know why I got a nasty message from the funeral parlour!"

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LOW GROWNS – LEAFY

BOP1 : Few select best on offer were dearer following quality; balance was fully firm on last week levels. Teas at the lower end too maintained.

OP1 : Select best teas were maintained; balance too held firm. Stalky invoices declined Rs.20-30/- and were difficult of sale as the sale progressed.

OP : Teas in the select best category tended irregular; balance were irregularly dearer by Rs.10-15/- per kg. Teas at the lower end were barely steady.

OPA : Few select best teas gained Rs.30-40/- per kg; balance too advanced Rs.10-20/- per kg. Poorer sorts tended irregular.

PEK/PEK1: Well-made shotty invoices were fully firm dearer by Rs.20-30/- per kg; balance too advanced Rs.20/- and at times more. Best bold Pekoes met with good demand; balance too held firm. Teas at the lower end too maintained.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)

	Best		Below Best		Others	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
BOP1	880-1200	850-990	650-700	650-700	470-520	470-520
OP1	900-1310	900-1400	570-620	550-600	200-225	200-225
OP	650-860	600-810	470-530	450-500	250-300	230-280
OPA	640-940	600-850	470-530	450-500	250-300	230-270
PEK/PEK1	780-1100	760-1175	600-650	580-630	420-470	380-430

TIPPY/SMALL LEAF

BOP/BOPSP : Select best were firm. Best together with cleaner below best were firm to dearer; balance sold around last levels.

BOPF/BOPFSP : BOPFs in general were lower.

FBOP/FBOP1 : Select best FBOP's were irregularly dearer. Best together with cleaner below best were firm to dearer; balance firm. However, the bolder varieties eased. FBOP1's in general firm.

FBOPF/FBOPF1 : Very Tippy teas continue to attract good demand. Best together with cleaner below best were firm. Balance were irregular following quality. Select best and best FF1's were firm to dearer. Cleaner below best too followed a similar trend; balance firm on last.

FBOPFSP/EXSP : Select best continue attract good demand whilst the teas at the lower end were irregularly lower.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)

	Best		Below Best		Others	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
BOP/BOPSP	850-960	800-1000	700-750	700-750	320-380	360-400
BOPF /BOPFSP	800-910	850-1150	700-750	700-750	320-380	360-400
FBOP/FBOP1	880-980	900-1000	750-800	700-780	600-650	650-700
FBOPF/FBOPF1	900-1100	900-1210	780-840	800-850	600-650	600-700
FBOPFSP/EXSP	1000-3000	1100-3400	800-950	800-1000	600-700	650-750

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MEDIUM GROWN LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY TEAS

FBOP : The best on offer declined by Rs.20-40/- whilst the below best and secondaries were fully firm to dearer.

FBOPF/FBOPF1 : Best on offer maintained last levels whilst the others were Rs.30-40/- declined.

PEK/PEK1 : Select best types gained Rs.20-20/- whilst the others were firm on last levels.

<u>Quotations (Rs./Kg)</u>	Best		Below Best		Others	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
FBOP	840-940	830-1000	730-840	680-830	520-730	480-680
FBOPF/FBOPF1	760-860	775-850	700-760	675-775	550-700	525-675
PEK/PEK1	830-940	825-900	700-830	650-825	500-700	480-650

HIGH GROWN

BOP: Best Westerns were irregular following quality. Teas in the below best category declined Rs.20/-per kg and more following quality. At the lower end teas were difficult of sale. Nuwara Eliyas were irregular following quality. Udupussellawas –few select invoices were dearer following special inquiry. Majority were difficult of sale. Uva seasonal teas –prices tend to fluctuate following quality whilst the other coloury sorts were irregular.

BOPF: Best Western –select invoices gained at times substantially following special inquiry. In the below best category, select better liquoring teas gained Rs.20-40/-per kg whilst the others were firm and dearer to a lesser extent. At the lower end prices were barely steady. Nuwara Eliyas were barely maintained. Udupussellawas continued to be difficult of sale. Uva seasonal teas sold well though prices fluctuated following quality whilst the other coloury sorts were Rs.20-40/-per kg dearer.

<u>Quotations (Rs./Kg)</u>	BOP		BOPF	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Best Westerns	490-660	500-630	500-760	500-740
Below Best Westerns	430-470	420-480	450-490	440-480
Plainer Westerns	300-410	340-410	330-440	365-420
Nuwara Eliyas	500-590	520-960	350-400	450-530
Other Uda Pussellawas	N/A	360	380-430	350-410
Best Uva's	640-1100	650-1200	500-780	470-1100
Other Uva's	400-600	380-600	450-460	400-420

MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

BOP: Rs.10-20/-per kg dearer.

BOPF: Neat leaf teas were firm and tended dearer. Poor leaf fibry/ powdery types were neglected and difficult of sale.

<u>Quotations (Rs./Kg)</u>	BOP		BOPF	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Best Westerns	410-800	410-800	320-450	370-450

CTC

PF1: High & Medium PF1's which were initially firm to Rs.10/- dearer moved up as the sale progressed and closed Rs.20-40/- dearer and more for select invoices. Low Grown varieties which commenced Rs.10/- dearer gained up to Rs.50/- and at times more particularly towards the latter part of the sale.

BP1: High & Medium BP1's advanced Rs.20-30/- whilst Low Grown varieties were barely steady.

<u>Quotations (Rs./Kg)</u>	PF1		BP1	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
High	360-480	375-430	375-500	480-530
Medium	315-470	365-530	425-450	300-410
Low	360-830	320-730	310-630	310-540

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OFF GRADES

Best liquoring FNGS/FNGS1 were firm to lower by Rs.20-30/-. Clean Low Grown FNGS/FNGS1 lost Rs.10/-. Best BPs were firm on last week levels. Well made BM's eased Rs.20-30/- per kg. Poor BM's declined Rs.10-15/- per kg. Well made BOP1A's shed Rs.20/-, whilst poor types held firm.

QUOTATIONS (Rs/kg)	HIGH		MEDIUM		LOW	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Good Fannings (Orthodox)	220-340	220-360	200-250	210-260	210-250	210-270
Good Fannings (CTC)	220-270	220-300	210-270	220-300	200-250	220-300
Other Fannings (Orthodox)	200-240	210-250	200-240	210-250	200-240	210-250
Other Fannings (CTC)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Good BM's	260-320	260-330	260-290	260-310	300-490	300-520
Other BM's	190-200	190-210	190-220	190-220	190-220	190-220
Best BOP1As	240-290	240-290	240-290	240-310	300-390	300-420
Other BOP1As	190-210	190-210	190-210	190-210	190-210	190-210

DUST

High Grown select best D/D1 held firm on week levels whilst secondary and below best types were lower by Rs.10-20/-. The poorer varieties too declined by Rs.20-30/-. Low Grown clean DUST1 firm to dearer by Rs.20-50/- at times more whilst the others lost in value. CTC Low Grown PDs appreciated by Rs.30-60/- whilst others were lower by Rs.30/-.

QUOTATIONS (Rs/kg)	HIGH		MEDIUM		LOW	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Good Primary Dust 1(Orthodox)	530-920	550-960	400-550	400-530	450-640	450-595
Good Primary PD (CTC)	400-480	400-440	430-570	430-550	580-740	500-650
Other Primary Dust (Orthodox)	260-300	260-300	260-280	270-280	300-330	310-350
Other Primary Dust (CTC)	N/A	N/A	260-300	260-310	260-280	260-300
Secondary Dust	240-270	240-280	240-270	250-280	240-280	270-300
Poorer Dust	240-260	250-270	220-250	230-260	230-260	250-280

World Crop Statistics (MKGS)

Country	Month	2018	2019	Difference +/-	To-date 2018	To-date 2019	Difference +/-
SRI LANKA	July	23.92	25.27	1.35	182.08	184.06	1.99
BANGLADESH	July	11.00	11.10	0.10	30.4	39.1	8.7
MALAWI	July	1.3	1.4	0.1	35.4	36.0	0.6
NORTH INDIA	July	145.9	154.4	8.5	487.6	527.6	40.0
SOUTH INDIA	July	16.6	21.7	5.1	126.8	122.2	-4.60
KENYA	July	35.27	31.45	-3.82	266.27	244.06	-22.2

Country	Month	2017	2018	Difference +/-	To-date 2017	To-date 2018	Difference +/-
UGANDA	Nov.	5.63	3.06	-2.6	47.67	52.95	5.28

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THIS WEEK'S TOP PRICES

<u>WESTERN MEDIUM</u>			<u>UVA MEDIUM</u>			<u>LOW GROWN LEAFY GRADES</u>		
Craighead	BOP	800/-	St. James	BOP	890/-	*Sithaka	BOP1	1200/-
*Harangalla	BOP	750/-	Maratenne	BOPSP	770/-	Ceciliyan	BOP1	1200/-
Imboolpitiya	BOPSP	670/-	*Halpewatte Uva	BOPSP	730/-	New Vithankande	BOP1	1200/-
*Kurugama	BOPSP	650/-	Aruna Passara	BOPF/BOPFSP	680/-	Sithaka	OP1	1310/-
Craighead	BOPF/ BOPFSP	650/-	Adawatte	BOP1	1050/-	New Vithankande	OP1	1310/-
Craighead	BOP1	1150/-	Shawlands	FBOP /FBOP1	900/-	New Deniyaya	OP	860/-
Craighead	FBOP/FBOP1	940/-	Shawlands	FBOPF/FBOPF1	840/-	Mulatiyana Hills	OP	800/-
*Harangalla	FBOP/FBOP1	920/-	Shawlands	OP/OPA	920/-	*Arbour Valley	OP	790/-
Craighead	FBOPF/FBOPF1	860/-	Shawlands	OP1 +++	1700/-	Navinda	OPA	940/-
Doombagastalawa	FBOPF/FBOPF1	860/-	Aruna Passara	PEK /PEK1	860/-	Liyonta	PEKOE	1150/-
*Harangala	OP/OPA	550/-				Matuwagala Super	PEKOE1	1100/-
Cooroondoowatte	OP/OPA	550/-						
*Harangalla	OPI	800/-	<u>UVA HIGH</u>					
Doombagastalawa	OP1	800/-	Uva Highlands	BOP	1100/-	<u>LOW GROWN TIPPY GRADES</u>		
Craighead	PEK/PEK1	940/-	Craig	BOPSP	690/-	Devagiri	BOP	960/-
			Uva Highlands	BOPF/BOPFSP	780/-	*Geekiyannahena	BOP	900/-
<u>WESTERN HIGH</u>			Spring Valley	BOP1	900/-	Lumbini	BOPSP	900/-
Somerset	BOP	660/-	Oodoowerre	FBOP/ FBOP1	850/-	Dellawa	BOPF	910/-
Glentilt	BOPSP	560/-	Oodoowerre	FBOPF/FBOPF1	730/-	Pothatuwa	BOPF	900/-
Alton	BOPF/ BOPFSP	760/-	Spring Valley	FBOPF/FBOPF1	730/-	Hiniduma SH	BOPFSP	750/-
Inverness	BOP1	900/-	Spring Valley	OP/OPA	620/-	Lumbini	FBOP	980/-
Inverness	FBOP/ FBOP1	800/-	Oodoowerre	OP1	780/-	Suduwelipotahena	FBOP	970/-
Inverness	FBOPF/FBOPF1	740/-	Aislaby	PEK/PEK	1300/-	*Lucky Kottawa	FBOP	960/-
Inverness	OP/OPA	840/-				Ceciliyan	FBOP1	900/-
Harrow	OP1	640/-	<u>UDA PUSSELLAWA</u>			*Lucky Kottawa	FBOPF	1100/-
Inverness	PEK/PEK1	740/-	Alma	BOP	820/-	*Lucky Pinnaduwa	FBOPF	1100/-
			Kirklees	BOPF/BOPFSP	520/-	*Lucky Pinnaduwa	FBOPF1	840/-
<u>NUWARA ELIYA</u>			*Almaa	BOP1	740/-	Broadlands SH	FBOPF1	840/-
Kenmare	BOP	590/-	Almaa	FBOP/ FBOP1	830/-	New J.S.P	FBOPF1	840/-
Kenmare	BOPF/ BOPFSP	400/-	Almaa	FBOPF/FBOPF1	790/-	*Makandura	FBOPF1	820/-
Court Lodge	BOPF/ BOPFSP	400/-	*Almaa	OP/OPA	500/-			
Court Lodge	FBOP/ FBOP1	870/-	Gorden	OP1	650/-			
Lovers Leap	OP/OPA	710/-	Almaa	PEK /PEK1	880/-			
Court Lodge	PEK/PEK1	800/-				<u>PREMIUM FLOWERY</u>		
<u>CTC TEAS</u>						Lions	FBOPFSP	3200/-
<u>HIGH GROWN</u>			<u>OFF GRADES</u>			Sherwood Sup	FBOPFSP	3000/-
Florence CTC	PF1	480/-	*Aldora	BM	510/-	Nilgiri	FBOPFEXSP	2950/-
Dunsinace CTC	PF1	480/-	Chandrika Est.	BM	500/-	*New Galagawa	FBOPFEXSP	2650/-
Mt. Vernon	BP1	500/-	*Narangalla Sup	BM	500/-	Berubeula	FBOPFEXSP1	2450/-
Mt. Vernon	BPS	450/-	*Katanwila	BM	500/-			
			Ceciliyan	BP	520/-			
<u>MEDIUM GROWN</u>			*Aldora	BP	510/-			
Delta CTC	PF1	470/-	Chandrika Est.	FNGS/FNGS1	510/-			
Strathdon CTC	BP1	450/-	Glenloch	FNGS/FNGS1	510/-			
*Birchwood CTC	BPS	350/-	Hingalgoda CTC	PFGS	680/-			
			*Allen Valley	BOPIA	500/-			
<u>LOW GROWN</u>			Matuwagala Sup	BOPIA	500/-			
Hingalgoda CTC	PF1	830/-						
Kalubowitiyana CTC	BP1	630/-	<u>DUST</u>					
			Mattakelle	Dust1	920/-			
			Kalubowitiyana CTC	PD	740/-			

* Sold by Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd

+++ All Time Record Price

++ Equal All Time Record Price

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COLOMBO AUCTION – GROSS SALE AVERAGES

SALE NO.35 OF 04TH SEPTEMBER, 2019.

	Weekly	2019 Month to Date	Year to Date	Weekly	2018 Year to Date
Uva High Grown	445.77	453.43	463.59	499.78	529.83
Western High Grown	476.10	479.47	525.37	628.49	586.31
High Grown	468.18	472.46	507.78	591.29	570.78
Uva Medium	460.79	460.99	492.32	471.66	529.45
Western Medium	428.12	431.59	458.30	458.30	515.22
Medium Grown	436.27	438.83	467.69	462.59	519.77
Low Grown (Orthodox)	545.74	545.74	586.56	525.82	611.85
Combined L.G. (Orthodox + CTC)	536.81	536.66	575.30	522.37	605.76
Total	508.86	509.60	544.35	523.69	585.18

DETAILS OF TEAS AWAITING SALES

	<u>Sale of 17th & 18th Sept.'19</u>		<u>Sale of 24th & 25th Sept.'19</u>	
	Lots	Qty. (Kgs)	Lots	Qty. (Kgs)
Low Grown Leafy	4,281	2,016,001	3,976	1,812,881
Low Grown Tippy	2,171	1,164,744	2,086	1,078,711
High & Medium	1,611	879,020	1,404	729,820
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,370	1,363,443	2,126	1,222,171
Dust	792	783,066	663	643,595
Premium Flower	439	107,562	459	98,146
Ex-Estate	<u>874</u>	<u>1,011,187</u>	<u>871</u>	<u>1,020,403</u>
Total	<u>12,538</u>	<u>7,325,023</u>	<u>11,585</u>	<u>6,605,727</u>

Weekly Private Sale Figures (From 02/09/2019 – 07/09/2019) - 76,721.00 Kgs
 Cumulative - 4,391,464.80 Kgs

Crop & Weather
For the period 02nd - 08th September 2019

Western/Nuwara Eliya Regions: Rain and dull weather was experienced throughout the week. More rain is predicted to continue in the days to come according to the Department of Meteorology. **Uva/Udapussellawa Regions:** Bright weather was reported in the regions throughout the week. The Department of Meteorology forecasts thundershowers in the Uva Region in the week ahead. **Low Growns:** Both Ruhuna and Sabaragamuwa regions reported bright weather with occasional showers throughout the week. Several spells of light showers can be expected in the Sabaragamuwa Region in the days to come, according to the Department of Meteorology. **Crop Intake:** Nuwara Eliya and Udapussellawa regions maintained the crop intake, whilst the Western, Uva, Ruhuna and Sabaragamuwa regions showed a decline.

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CATALOGUES

Sale No.38 of 24th & 25th September, 2019.

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues closed on **05th September, 2019** at **04.30 p.m.**

Sale No.39 of 01st & 02nd October, 2019.

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on, **12th September, 2019** at **04.30 p.m.** but sale will be closed before the scheduled date when the number of lots is reached.

Sale No.40 of 08th & 09th October, 2019.

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on, **19th September, 2019** at **04.30 p.m.** but sale will be closed before the scheduled date when the number of lots is reached.

SALE NO.37

BROKER'S ORDER

Auction of 17th/18th September, 2019 - Main Sale

Leafy/Tippy/BOP1A/ Premium

1. John Keells PLC
2. Bartleet Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
3. Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC
4. Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
5. Eastern Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
6. Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
7. Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC
- 8. Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd**

High & Medium/Off Grades/Dust

1. Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
2. Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC
3. John Keells PLC
4. Eastern Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
5. Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC
- 6. Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd**
7. Bartleet Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
8. Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd

Auction of 18th September, 2019 - Ex-Estate

- 1. Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd**
2. Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC
3. Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
4. Bartleet Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
5. Eastern Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
6. Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
7. John Keells PLC
8. Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC

LCBL APPROXIMATE SELLING TIME

Tuesday 17th September '19.

High & Medium : 12.00 noon.

Wednesday 18th September '19.

Ex-Estate : 08.00 a.m.

Low Grown Tippy : 08.00 a.m.

Premium Flowery : 09.15 a.m.

BOP1A : 09.45 a.m.

Low Grown Leafy : 11.45 a.m.

Off Grades : 03.00 p.m.

Dust : 03.30 p.m.

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OTHER MARKETS

MOMBASA TEA AUCTION MARKET REPORT

SALE NO.37 OF THE 09TH – 10TH SEPTEMBER, 2019.

There was fairly good demand for the 130,920 packages (8.58m/kgs) available at irregular levels. 17.84% were neglected.

Best **BP1s** on offer saw reduced and irregular interest ranging between USC5 dearer to easier by up to USC18 while Brighter types met less enquiry easing by USC2-USC39 and some lines were unsold with Medium varieties irregular varying between USC2-USC10 above previous levels to easier by USC10-USC30. Plainer types firm to USC13 easier.

The Best **PF1s** in the market advanced by USC2-USC17 while brighter varieties held firm to USC48 dearer with Mediums irregular ranging between steady to USC5 dearer to easier by USC4-USC8. Plainer descriptions discounted by up to USC39 and some invoices remained without bids but a few lines gained with quality.

Best **PDUSTs** available met less enquiry and shed USC24-USC25 with Brighter types easing by USC28-USC33 while Medium descriptions were steady to USC19 easier. Plainer varieties were well competed for gaining YSC4-USC25.

The Best **DUST1s** on offer appreciated by USC8-USC9 with Brighter sorts a weak feature and eased by USC8-USC25 while Medium varieties met an irregular enquiry ranging between USC10-USC16 dearer to easier by USC10-USC26. Plainer sorts were discounted by up to USC25 but some improved teas gained up to USC4.

In the **Secondary Catalogues**, **BPs** held value with **PFs** dearer. Clean well sorted coloury Fannings gained with similar **DUSTs** steady. Other Fanning were firm with similar **DUSTs** dearer. **BMFs** were well absorbed at dearer levels.

Egyptian Packers lent strong support with useful interest from Pakistan Packers, Kazakhstan, other CIS states, Yemen, other Middle Eastern Countries and Sudan. There was reduced and selective activity from Afghanistan, UK, Russia and Bazaar. Iran were quiet with improved absorption from Somalia at the lower end of the market.

	BP1	PF1	PD
Best	330-632	270-333	335-366
Good Medium	240-350	236-278	260-354
Lower Medium	120-234	110-219	100-228
Plainer	088-145	075-154	100-204

LIMBE MARKET REPORT SALE 37 HELD ON 10/09/2019

There was fair demand at firm to easier rates for the small quantity on offer of 2680 packages.

BP1-Few lower quality available neglected.

PF1 were generally firm to 5 USC up on last.

PF1SC received support at lower levels and were firm to easier by 5 to 30 USC on last.

PD were barely steady.

D1- Few available were firm.

Secondary teas met selective demand at firm to easier rates.

WEATHER/CROP FOR THE WEEK ENDING 8TH SEPTEMBER, 2019

Mixed weather pattern was experienced. It was warm to hot during the first few days of the week but became cold to very cold over the week- end with Chiperoni rain showers of 2.5 to 10.mm recorded.

Crop intakes remained low.

Courtesy: TEA BROKERS CENTRAL AFRICA LIMITED

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SOUTH INDIAN ROUND-UP FOR THE WEEK ENDING 07TH SEPTEMBER, 2019.

KOCHI

CTC LEAF

Demand: Good demand. Larger brokens are selling at steady levels. Fannings ruled at fully firm to occasionally dearer levels with demand from Internal and Upcountry buyers. Export buyers lent fair support.

LEAF-ORTHODOX:

Demand: Better demand.

Market: Market ruled at barely steady levels for the well-made whole leaf grades and brokens. Medium whole leaf was selling at steady levels and Smaller brokens and plainer sorts eased in value with heavy withdrawals.

Buying Pattern: CIS/Middle East exporters were less active. Upcountry buyers lent support on whole leaf grades.

DUST

Demand: Fair Demand.

Market: Best liquoring and popular marks are tending dearer by Rs.1 to 2 and sometimes more, selective marks moved up in value. Bolder grades tending irregular. Plainer sorts were selling at easier levels with withdrawals

Buying Pattern: Major blender AVT was active and KSCSC was active on the best mediums with fair support from regional packeters. Domestic buyers were less active in their purchases. Exporters were selective.

COONOR

CTC LEAF

Demand: Good.

Market: Market for the Best Liquoring sorts were fully firm to dearer. Others were irregularly easier by Rs. 1/- to Rs. 3/-. The Better mediums suffered some withdrawals.

Buying Pattern: Fairly good Internal enquiry was forthcoming with equally good support from the Major Blenders. Exporters have been selective throughout the sale.

ORTH LEAF

Demand: Good.

Market: Irregular market and mostly easier across all grades.

Buying Pattern: Fairly good Export operation was forthcoming with fair support from Internal buyers.

CTC DUST

Demand: Good.

Market: Generally opened being steady to easier by a Re to Rs.2/-. As the sale progressed it gained momentum and went on to be sold at fully firm to dearer levels.

Buying Pattern: Fairly good Internal operation with some support from the Major Blenders. Exporters were seen fairly active on the Medium and Plainer types.

ORTH DUST

Demand: Strong.

Market: Market generally was steady to firm and dearer at times on the Primary and cleaner dusts. Others were barely steady to fully firm.

Buying Pattern: Good Export operation with fairly good Internal support.

COIMBATORE

CTC LEAF

Demand: Fair general demand.

Market: Better medium smaller brokens were barely steady. BOPF's were irregular and lower by Re.1/- to Rs.2/- with some withdrawals. Medium were fully firm. Plainer varieties were irregular and lower with some withdrawals.

ORTH LEAF: Less demand. Whole leaf were barely steady with some withdrawals. Brokens suffered heavy withdrawals.

CTC DUST

Demand: Good general demand.

Market: Better liquoring and popular sorts were barely steady with some withdrawals. Mediums were fully firm. Plainer sorts were barely steady with heavy withdrawals.

ORTH DUST Less demand. Around lower by Rs.2/- with heavy withdrawals.

Source: Paramount Tea Marketing (SI) Private Limited.

11th May, 2019.

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Our congratulations and felicitations....!

To all **“Award Winners”** recognized by the Tea Exporters Association
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“TOTAL EXCELLENCE IN TEA PRODUCTION”.

Region	Position	Factory/Estate Name
Nuwara Eliya	Winner 1 st Runner up 2 nd Runner up	Mahagastotte Tea Estate Court Lodge Tea Estate NuwaraEliya (Inverness) Tea Estate
Dimbula	Winner 1 st Runner up 2 nd Runner up	Tillyrie Tea Estate Adisham (Dickoya) Tea Estate Bearwell Tea Estate
Uva	Winner 1 st Runner up 2 nd Runner up	Shawlands Tea Estate Dickwella Tea Estate Ooddoowere Tea Estate
Uda Pussellawa	Winner 1 st Runner up 2 nd Runner up	Mooloya Tea Factory Luckyland Tea Estate Blairlomond Tea Estate
Kandy	Winner 1 st Runner up 2 nd Runner up	Craighead Tea Factory Imboolpittia Tea Estate Westhall (Rillagala) Tea Estate
Sabaragamuwa	Winner 1 st Runner up 2nd Runner up	New Vithanakande Tea Factory Ceciliyan Tea Factory Hidellana Tea Factory
Ruhuna	Winner 1 st Runner up 2nd Runner up	Gunawardana Tea Factory Pothotuwa Tea Factory Makandura Tea Factory
CTC Tea Category	Winner	Hingalgoda Tea Factory

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