



**LANKA COMMODITY BROKERS LTD**  
**TEA MARKET REPORT**

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**SALE NO.16 OF 27<sup>TH</sup>/28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2021**

**C O M M E N T S**

This week's tea auction (Sale # 16) was conducted on April 27 & 28 (Tue/Wed) and, the offer quantity of 7.0 m/kgs was 0.27 m/kgs higher than that of the previous sale. The Low Grown Leafy/ Semi Leafy/ Tippy & Small Leaf/ Premium Flowery catalogues totaled 3.1 m/kgs, whilst Main Sale High & Medium category amounted to 0.94 m/kgs. The Ex Estate catalogue had 1m/kgs.

The Ex Estate market saw fair demand at easier rates. With the resumption of the Mombasa Tea Auction, the temporary additional interest directed last week for Colombo Auction teas was absent which affected more the CTC types in the high and medium categories which saw price drops ranging from Rs. 20/- to 30/- per kg. In the rotorvane segment, best westerns lost Rs. 20/- to 40/- following quality, whilst a selection of teas in the below-best category declined Rs. 20/- and sometimes more. Nuwara Eliya BOP's continued to sell at high price levels although lower to last, whilst their corresponding BOPF's were mostly firm. Uva/Uda Pussellawa's generally declined up to Rs. 20/- per kg. There was fair but selective demand from the UK, Japan and Germany for best Westerns. Buyers for China and Hong Kong were moderately active. Russia supported the "Tea Bag" types at lower levels.

Low grows once again had fair demand with buyer focus being more on quality than seen in recent weeks. It is an established fact that tea consumption in the Middle East sees a drop during Ramadan, and interest from the Gulf region was once again selective for the teas in the 'best' and 'below-best' categories. At the bottom end however, there was sustained demand from Iraq in particular which helped mixed leaf teas to sell at firm levels. Russia and the CIS were active on better made leafy OP's and OPA's whilst secondary sorts were irregular and lower. There was some interest from Germany for the best, well-twisted BOP1's. The better-made PEK/PEK1's were fully firm. Others were irregular. Well-made FBOP's / FBOPF1's in the "Tippy / Small Leaf Catalogue" were firm to selectively dearer, while cleaner below-best teas held firm. Poorer sorts were easier.

This week's auction comprised of **12,264** lots with a total quantity of **7,079,939** kgs.

The catalogue wise breakdown was as follows:-

	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>
Low Grown Leafy	2,130	945,444
Low Grown Semi Leafy	2,073	1,059,395
Low Grown Tippy	2,060	1,091,661
High & Medium	1,853	948,396
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,313	1,282,526
Dust	585	630,068
Premium Flowery	317	54,867
Ex-Estate	<u>933</u>	<u>1,067,582</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>12,264</u></b>	<b><u>7,079,939</u></b>

*In Lighter Vein*

**The Priest's Theory**

A newly married Liam goes to the meet Father Charles. He greets the priest and says, 'Father, I need to talk to you.' The Priest asks, 'Is it a confession, my son?' Liam replies, 'No, Father. I need to clarify something.

'The Priest takes Liam to his private chamber and says, 'Tell me, Liam. What is it?' Liam asks, 'Father, why do some women try to change men after marriage? My friends keep teasing me about it.

'The Priest smiles and replied, 'Liam, my son; as the bride walks down the long aisle, she excitedly registers 3 stimuli: The altar, the choir and the sound of the hymn being sung. Aisle, Altar, and Hymn. She becomes mesmerized. Aisle, Altar, Hymn. Aisle, Altar, hymn. Aisle, Altar, Hymn. And finally, as she stops beside the groom, she is already saying to herself... "I'LL ALTER HIM."

**LOW GROWNS - LEAFY/SEMI**

**BOP1** : Select best teas were lower by Rs.40-50/- per kg; balance too declined and at times were difficult of sale. Stalky invoices tended irregular.

**OP1** : A few teas in the select best category were maintained; balance was declined substantially.

**OP** : Select best teas were barely steady; balance was lower by Rs.20/- per kg. Teas at the lower end however were maintained..

**OPA** : Teas in the select best category were maintained; balance declined by Rs.10-20/- per kg. Poorer sorts held Firm.

**PEK/PEK1:** Well-made PEK1's were irregularly lower by Rs.20-30/- per kg; balance declined substantially. Best bold PEK's were barely steady; balance was declined Rs.30-40/- per kg and at times more.

**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>
<b>BOP1</b>	850-1100	800-1000	550-580	550-580	500-530	500-540
<b>OP1</b>	780-1000	780-1050	560-620	570-640	400-425	400-450
<b>OP</b>	620-640	620-650	520-570	530-600	420-450	430-470
<b>OPA</b>	620-640	620-650	520-570	530-600	420-450	430-460
<b>PEK/PEK1</b>	750-820	800-880	620-670	660-700	450-500	460-500

**TIPPY/SMALL LEAF**

**BOP/BOPSP** : Few select Best BOPs met with good demand; balance were firm on last levels.

**BOPF/BOPFSP** : BOPF in general maintained.

**FBOP/FBOP1** : Select Best FBOPs appreciated. However, Below Best together with bolder varieties irregular following quality. Teas at the lower end were easier. FBOP1's in general easier.

**FBOPF/FBOPF1** : Tippy teas continue to attract good demand. Best and cleaner Below Best were firm; others irregular following quality. Few select Best FF1s appreciated.; balance together with Best held firm. However, Cleaner Below Best and cleaner teas at the lower end were firm; others were lower following quality.

**FBOPFSP/EXSP** : Invoices in the top category and the below best met with good demand. Teas at the lower end appreciated.

**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>
<b>BOP/BOPSP</b>	900-1250	900-1200	750-800	700-800	500-550	500-550
<b>BOPF /BOPFSP</b>	750-810	750-850	700-750	650-750	500-550	500-550
<b>FBOP/FBOP1</b>	1000-1180	900-1160	800-850	750-800	600-650	550-600
<b>FBOPF/FBOPF1</b>	900-1040	900-1020	850-1000	800-900	600-650	550-600
<b>FBOPFSP/EXSP</b>	2500-3200	2000-2650	1000-1500	900-1500	650-750	600-700

**MEDIUM GROWN LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY TEAS**

**FBOP** : Best FBOP's tended firm to irregularly lower. Secondaries were fully firm on last levels whilst the poorer sorts lost in value.

**FBOPF/FBOPF1**: Neat well-made FF1 types were firm on last levels. Select best FF1 types were firm to easier. Teas in the below best category were firm. Poorer sorts declined in value.

**PEK/PEK1**: Except for the neat well made shotty PEK/PEK1 types, balance declined fairly sharply. Teas at the loer end too lost Rs.10-20/- per kg towards the close.

<b>Quotations (Rs./Kg)</b>	<b>Best</b>		<b>Below Best</b>		<b>Others</b>	
	<b><u>This Week</u></b>	<b><u>Last Week</u></b>	<b><u>This Week</u></b>	<b><u>Last Week</u></b>	<b><u>This Week</u></b>	<b><u>Last Week</u></b>
<b>FBOP</b>	750-900	700-900	600-750	600-700	500-600	520-620
<b>FBOPF/FBOPF1</b>	675-780	680-820	575-675	570-680	480-575	500-570
<b>PEK/PEK1</b>	775-900	760-870	650-775	660-760	500-650	580-660

**HIGH GROWNS**

**BOP**: Best Western's declined Rs. 20-40 per kg and more for select high prices teas, whilst the others were irregular. In the Below Best category, a selection of clean leaf coloury sorts were firm and Rs. 20 per kg dearer, whilst the others declined by a similar margin. Plainer clean leaf teas declined Rs. 20-30 per kg, whilst the poorer sorts maintained around last levels. Nuwara Eliya's were irregular and tended easier though still continued to sell at fairly attractive levels. Uva/Uda Pussellawa's were up to Rs. 20 per kg easier following quality.

**BOPF**: Best Western's declined Rs. 20-30 per kg and more for select high priced teas of last week. In the Below Best category, teas in the upper price bracket declined Rs. 20-30 per kg, whilst the others together with teas at the lower end of the market were firm and up to Rs. 10 per kg easier. Nuwara Eliya's continued to sell well at firm to dearer rates. Uda Pussellawa's – few select neat leaf invoices were Rs. 10-20 per kg dearer, whilst the others were lower by a similar margin. Uva's, on average, were Rs. 20 per kg lower mostly following quality.

<b>Quotations (Rs./Kg)</b>	<b>BOP</b>		<b>BOPF</b>	
	<b><u>This Week</u></b>	<b><u>Last Week</u></b>	<b><u>This Week</u></b>	<b><u>Last Week</u></b>
Best Westerns	650-760	670-780	690-810	740-800
Below Best Westerns	600-630	600-650	660-680	680-720
Plainer Westerns	520-580	500-590	630-650	640-670
Nuwara Eliyas	800-950	740-1140	550-940	620-940
Brighter Uda Pussellawas	520-590	550-610	610-650	620-670
Other Uda Pussellawas	500-510	530-540	570-600	580-600
Best Uva's.	600-650	650-670	650-690	690-750
Other Uva's	500-590	540-610	590-640	630-680

**MEDIUM GROWN TEAS**

**BOP**: Declined Rs.20-30/- per kg and more following quality.

**BOPF**: Rs.20-40/- per kg lower.

<b>Quotations (Rs./Kg)</b>	<b>BOP</b>		<b>BOPF</b>	
	<b><u>This Week</u></b>	<b><u>Last Week</u></b>	<b><u>This Week</u></b>	<b><u>Last Week</u></b>
Best Westerns	460-800	650-760	500-690	510-720

**CTC**

- High Grow** : **BP1s** – Declined Rs.20-40/- per kg and more with many invoices remaining unsold due to a lack of any suitable bids.  
**PF1s** – Select well-made coloury sorts were firm whilst the others declined Rs.20-30/- per kg following quality.
- Medium Grown** : **BP1s** – Substantially easier and mostly unsold.  
**PF1s** – Clean leaf coloury sorts were barely steady whilst the others declined further, The poorest on offer were firm and irregularly dearer.
- Low Grown** : **BP1s** – Irregularly easier.  
**PF1s** – Select invoices Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer whilst the others were barely steady.

<b>Quotations (Rs./Kg)</b>	<b>PF1</b>		<b>BP1</b>	
	<b><u>This Week</u></b>	<b><u>Last Week</u></b>	<b><u>This Week</u></b>	<b><u>Last Week</u></b>
High	490-660	450-690	430-450	450-490
Medium	440-570	460-590	390-500	400-540
Low	430-900	400-780	390-630	450-630

**OFF GRADES**

Liquoring FNGS appreciated Rs.10-20/-. Clean Low Grown FNGS/FNGS1s held firm. Best BP's advanced Rs.20/- per kg. Well made BMs lower by Rs.10-20/- per kg. Lower end teas held firm. Select best BOP1A's held firm. Best and below best lower end teas lower by Rs.29-30/- per kg.

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)	490-590	450-490	450-490	450-490	450-490	450-490
Good Fannings (CTC)	380-540	380-540	400-500	400-520	420-480	380-450
Other Fannings (Orthodox)	400-460	400-460	400-460	400-460	400-460	400-460
Other Fannings (CTC)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Good BM's	450-490	450-490	450-490	450-490	470-500	450-500
Other BM's	440-470	440-470	460-470	440-470	460-470	440-470
Best BOP1As	480-510	490-510	480-510	490-510	480-530	500-570
Other BOP1As	460-480	450-470	460-480	450-470	460-480	450-470

**DUST**

Select best liquoring High Grown D1's were declined by Rs.10-20/- and at times more. Poor varieties however held at last levels. Low Grown Clean Dust/Dust1's appreciated Rs.10-20/- per kg whilst poorer varieties appreciated by Rs.20-30/- per kg PD's from High & Medium elevations were firm to lower by Rs.10-20/- per kg whilst Low Grown PD's firm on last levels.

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)	700-900	700-870	550-640	550-630	530-730	530-710
Good Primary PD (CTC)	550-680	550-690	550-660	520-670	630-790	630-750
Secondary Dust	380-460	370-450	380-450	370-450	390-450	350-430

**World Crop Statistics (MKGS)**

Country	Month	2020	2021	Difference +/-	To-date 2020	To-date 2021	Difference +/-
<i>SRI LANKA</i>	<i>Feb.</i>	<i>18.21</i>	<i>22.37</i>	<i>4.16</i>	<i>40.15</i>	<i>45.50</i>	<i>5.35</i>
<i>BANGLADESH</i>	<i>Jan.</i>	<i>0.175</i>	<i>0.286</i>	<i>0.11</i>	<i>0.175</i>	<i>0.286</i>	<i>0.1</i>
<i>KENYA</i>	<i>Jan.</i>	<i>53.63</i>	<i>48.89</i>	<i>-4.74</i>	<i>53.63</i>	<i>48.89</i>	<i>-4.7</i>
<i>SOUTH INDIA</i>	<i>Jan.</i>	<i>16.02</i>	<i>16.05</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>16.02</i>	<i>16.05</i>	<i>0.03</i>
<i>NORTH INDIA</i>	<i>Jan.</i>	<i>0.04</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>-0.04</i>	<i>0.04</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>-0.04</i>

Country	Month	2019	2020	Difference +/-	To-date 2019	To-date 2020	Difference +/-
<i>MALAWI</i>	<i>Dec.</i>	<i>4.90</i>	<i>5.20</i>	<i>0.3</i>	<i>48.20</i>	<i>45.20</i>	<i>-3.0</i>
<i>UGANDA</i>	<i>Nov.</i>	<i>4.79</i>	<i>0.18</i>	<i>-4.6</i>	<i>55.70</i>	<i>35.50</i>	<i>-20.20</i>

<b><u>WESTERN MEDIUM</u></b>			<b><u>UVA MEDIUM</u></b>			<b><u>LOW GROWN LEAFY GRADES</u></b>		
<b>*Dartry Valley</b>	<b>BOP</b>	<b>800/-</b>	Halpewatte Uva	BOP	750/-	<b>*Arbour Valley</b>	<b>BOP1</b>	<b>1350/-</b>
Doombagastalawa	BOPSP	750/-	Telbedde	BOPSP	710/-	Sithaka	BOP1	1350/-
Vellai Oya	BOPF/BOPFSP	690/-	Dickwella	BOPF/BOPFSP	730/-	Pothotuwa	OP1	1700/-
Kenilworth	BOP1	860/-	Demodara S	BOP1	850/-	Liyonta	OP	850/-
Doombagastalawa	FBOP/FBOP1	980/-	Dickwella	FBOP /FBOP1	900/-	Green House	OP	850/-
<b>*Dartry Valley</b>	<b>FBOPF/FBOPF1</b>	<b>780/-</b>	Dickwella	FBOPF/FBOPF1	760/-	Sunrise	OPA	980/-
<b>*Uplands</b>	<b>OP/OPA</b>	<b>750/-</b>	Tinioya	FBOPF/FBOPF1	760/-	<b>*Makandura</b>	<b>OPA</b>	<b>940/-</b>
<b>*Ingurugala</b>	<b>OP1</b>	<b>780/-</b>	Aruna Passara	OP/OPA	670/-	Lakvinka	PEKOE	1300/-
Craighead	PEK/PEK1	900/-	Demodara S	OP1	810/-	Hidellana	PEKOE1	1250/-
			Aruna Passara	PEK /PEK1	860/-	Lumbini	PEKOE1	1250/-
						Veddagala	PEKOE1	1250/-
<b><u>WESTERN HIGH</u></b>			<b><u>UVA HIGH</u></b>			<b><u>LOW GROWN TIPPY GRADES.</u></b>		
Udaradella	BOP	760/-	Aislaby	BOP	730/-	Wathurawila	BOP	1080/-
Bearwell	BOPSP	660/-	Uva Highlands	BOPSP	700/-	<b>*Geekiyahena</b>	<b>BOPSP</b>	<b>1250/-</b>
Great Western	BOPSP	660/-	Bandaraeliya	BOPF/BOPFSP	690/-	<b>*Peak Paradise</b>	<b>BOPSP</b>	<b>940/-</b>
Annfield	BOPF/BOPFSP	810/-	Nayabedda	BOPF/BOPFSP	690/-	<b>*Hidellana</b>	<b>BOPF</b>	<b>780/-</b>
Inverness	BOP1	850/-	Aislaby	BOP1	860/-	<b>*Ihalapanapitiya</b>	<b>BOPFSP</b>	<b>810/-</b>
Inverness	FBOP/ FBOP1	1100/-	Aislaby	FBOP/ FBOP1	900/-	New Deniyaya	BOPFSP	800/-
Torrington	FBOPF/FBOPF1	720/-	Glenanore	FBOPF/FBOPF1	750/-	<b>*Peak Paradise</b>	<b>BOPFSP</b>	<b>760/-</b>
Wedemulla	FBOPF/FBOPF1	720/-	Glenanore	OP/OPA	630/-	Gunawardena	FBOP	1180/-
Queensberry	FBOPF/FBOPF1	720/-	Aislaby	OP1	780/-	Pothatuwa	FBOP	1180/-
Torrington	OP/OPA	620/-	Glenanore	PEK /PEK1	860/-	Sithaka	FBOP	1160/-
Venture	OP/OPA	620/-				<b>*Sithaka</b>	<b>FBOP</b>	<b>1140/-</b>
Venture	OP1	820/-	<b><u>UDA PUSSELLAWA</u></b>			<b>*Hidellana</b>	<b>FBOP1</b>	<b>960/-</b>
Wedemulla	PEK/PEK1	800/-	Kirklees	BOP	590/-	<b>*Sithaka</b>	<b>FBOP1</b>	<b>860/-</b>
			Kirklees	BOPSP	680/-	Nilwala	FBOP1	960/-
<b><u>NUWARA ELIYA</u></b>			Lucky Land	BOPF/BOPFSP	650/-	Himara	FBOPF	1040/-
Court Lodge	BOP	800/-	Kirklees	BOPF/BOPFSP	650/-	Sihara	FBOPF	980/-
Mahagastotte	BOP	800/-	Blairlmond	BOP1	560/-	Gunawardena	FBOPF	980/-
Lovers Leap	BOPF /BOPF SP	940/-	<b>*Delmar</b>	<b>FBOP/ FBOP1</b>	<b>770/-</b>	<b>*Hedigalla</b>	<b>FBOPF</b>	<b>920/-</b>
Court Lodge	FBOP/ FBOP1	1120/-	Gonapitiya	FBOPF/FBOPF1	720/-	Sirimewena	FBOPF1	940/-
Kenmare	OP/OPA	530/-	Delmar	OP/OPA	620/-	Yalta	FBOPF1	920/-
Lovers Leap	PEK/PEK1	1180/-	Delmar	OP1	670/-	<b>*Hidellana</b>	<b>FBOPF1</b>	<b>900/-</b>
			Delmar	PEK /PEK1	790/-			
<b><u>CTC TEAS</u></b>			<b><u>OFF GRADES</u></b>			<b><u>PREMIUM FLOWERY.</u></b>		
			Bandaraeliya	FNGS/FNGS1	660/-	<b>*Uplands</b>	<b>FBOPFSP</b>	<b>3200/-</b>
<b>HIGH GROWN</b>			Hingalgoda CTC	PFGS	600/-	Green House	FBOPFEXSP	2950/-
Dunsinane CTC	PF1	660/-	Waturavila	BM	650/-	Wathurawila	FBOPFEXSP1	2650/-
<b>*Florence</b>	<b>BP1</b>	<b>450/-</b>	<b>*Goorookoya Sp</b>	<b>BM</b>	<b>640/-</b>			
			<b>*Ihalapanapitiya</b>	<b>BM</b>	<b>630/-</b>			
<b><u>MEDIUM GROWN</u></b>			<b>*Halpewatte Uva</b>	<b>BP</b>	<b>680/-</b>			
<b>*Carolina CTC</b>	<b>PF1</b>	<b>570/-</b>	<b>*Gardenleaf</b>	<b>BOPIA</b>	<b>680/-</b>	<b>DUST</b>		
Delta CTC	BP1	500/-	<b>*Goorookoya Sp</b>	<b>BOPIA</b>	<b>650/-</b>	Mattakelle	Dust1	900/-
			<b>*Athukorala Sp</b>	<b>BOPIA</b>	<b>650/-</b>	Higalgoda CTC	PD	790/-
<b><u>LOW GROWN</u></b>								
Hingalgoda CTC	PF1	900/-						
Ceciliyan CTC	BP1	630/-						

**COLOMBO AUCTION - GROSS SALE AVERAGES**  
**SALE NO.15 OF 21<sup>ST</sup> APRIL, 2021**

	2021			2020	
	Weekly	Month to Date	Year to Date	Weekly	Year to Date
<b>Uva High Grown</b>	593.51	594.51	584.24	648.29	535.33
<b>Western High Grown</b>	634.38	642.45	633.50	663.92	595.53
<b>High Grown</b>	622.00	628.13	620.87	657.78	575.41
<b>Uva Medium</b>	589.71	587.53	597.24	689.45	579.49
<b>Western Medium</b>	554.54	556.52	580.23	584.07	527.14
<b>Medium Grown</b>	565.76	566.21	584.95	627.11	541.71
<b>Low Grown (Orthodox)</b>	658.50	659.69	682.98	811.30	669.39
<b>Combined L.G. (Orthodox + CTC)</b>	648.83	646.62	672.65	781.81	649.54
<b>Total</b>	<b>628.55</b>	<b>628.40</b>	<b>647.88</b>	<b>724.26</b>	<b>616.79</b>

**DETAILS OF TEAS AWAITING SALES**

	<u>Sale of 04<sup>th</sup>/05<sup>th</sup> May, 2021</u>		<u>Sale of 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> May, 2021</u>	
	<b>Lots</b>	<b>Qty. (Kgs)</b>	<b>Lots</b>	<b>Qty. (Kgs)</b>
Low Grown Leafy	2,221	1,002,569	1,908	880,448
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,743	899,601	1,912	1,035,370
Low Grown Tippy	2,093	1,113,372	1,824	1,014,664
High & Medium	1,989	1,011,928	1,891	1,021,830
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,493	1,360,753	2,198	1,250,085
Dust	601	583,504	591	628,112
Premium Flowery	309	54,109	213	40,811
Ex-Estate	<u>891</u>	<u>1,011,043</u>	<u>987</u>	<u>1,161,165</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>12,340</u></b>	<b><u>7,036,939</u></b>	<b><u>11,524</u></b>	<b><u>7,032,485</u></b>

Private Sale Figures (19.04.2021 – 24.04.2021) - 150,118.00 Kgs

Cumulative - 1,758,881.89 Kgs

## CATALOGUES

### Sale No.17 of 04<sup>th</sup>/05<sup>th</sup> May, 2021

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues closed on **22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2021** at **04.30 p.m.**

### Sale No.18 of 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> May, 2021

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **29<sup>th</sup> April, 2021** at **04.30 p.m.** but sale may close before the scheduled date when the number of lots is reached.

### Sale No.19 of 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> May, 2021

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **06<sup>th</sup> May, 2021** at **04.30 p.m.** but sale may close before the scheduled date when the number of lots is reached.

## SALE NO.17

### BROKER'S SELLING ORDER

#### **Auction of 04<sup>th</sup>/05<sup>th</sup> May, 2021**

#### Leafy/Tippy/BOPIA/ Premium Flowery

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

#### High & Medium/Off Grades/Dust

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

#### Ex-Estate

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

## **Crop & Weather**

### **For the period 19<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

**Western/Nuwara Eliya Regions** - Both regions reported sunny mornings and evening showers. The Department of Meteorology expects rain in both regions in the week ahead. **Uva/Udapussellawa Regions** - Bright mornings and scattered evening showers were reported in both regions during the week. A few sub-districts in the Udapussellawa Region reported bright weather throughout the week, whilst a few sub-districts in the Haputale Region reported sunny mornings and evening showers towards the latter part of the week. **Low Grown** - The Low Grown Region reported clear mornings with evening showers, whilst a few sub-districts in the Sabaragamuwa Region reported bright mornings and scattered evening showers throughout the week.

#### **Crop Intake**

The Western and Nuwara Eliya regions maintained the crop intake. The Uva/Udapussellawa regions reported an increase in the crop intake, whilst a slight decrease was reported in the Low Grown Region.

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OTHER MARKETS

SOUTH INDIAN ROUND-UP FOR THE WEEK ENDING 24<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2021

**CTC LEAF**

**KOCHI**

**Demand:** Good demand. Brokens and Fannings were selling at barely steady to easier levels. Less demand from Internal and Upcountry buyers. Export buyers were inactive.

**LEAF-ORTHODOX:**

**Demand:** Good demand.

**Market:** Well-made high grown whole leaf, brokens sold at barely steady levels. Medium whole leaf sold at irregular levels whilst the smaller brokens and fannings eased by Rs.5 and sometimes more.

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

**DUST**

**Demand:** Fair demand.

**Market:** Popular varieties and good liquoring finer grades sold at prices which sold lower by Rs.5 to 10 and sometimes more. Plain sorts witnessed less enquiry and tended easier with withdrawals.

**Buying Pattern:** Major blender AVT was active. KSCSC was selective. Best mediums fetched with fair support from Regional packeeters. Domestic buyers were less active in their purchases. Exporters were selective.

**COONOOR**

**CTC LEAF**

**Demand:** Strong.

**Market:** Market opened with an easier trend as teas started to sell at Rs. 5/- to Rs. 10/- on the Best and Better types. However the Smaller Brokens of the Mediums and Plainers have sold at firm to dearer during the latter part of the sale along with the BOPF's.

**The overall sale percentage is 92% at an average of Rs. 112.43**

**Buying Pattern:** Strong participation from the Major Blenders with equally good support from the Internal buyers. Export has been lending fair support after a long time..

**ORTH LEAF**

**Demand** Good.

**Market:** Fully firm to dearer market with the clean Brokens and Fannings selling by Rs. 5/- to Rs.10/- and up to Rs. 20/- dearer. Whole leaf grades were barely steady to occasionally dearer.

**The overall sale percentage is 98% at an average of Rs. 139.56.**

**Buying Pattern:** Strong Export operation with Madhu Jayanthi, IPL, Girnar and Shah brothers seen active. Internal have been lending good support.

**CTC DUST**

**Demand:** Strong.

**Market:** Market for the Best and Better types have shown a decline in prices by Rs. 5/- to Rs. 10/- The Medium and Plain Bolder dusts have had a better enquiry by selling at fully firm to dearer levels upto Rs. 5/- and more at times. **The overall sale percentage is 92% at an average of Rs. 114.70.**

**Buying Pattern:** Good enquiry from the Internal buyers with Major Blenders supporting well. Export has started to trade on the fairly blacker and cleaner types and also the Plainers

**ORTH DUST**

**Demand:** Good

**Market:** Market for the Primary dusts have been irregular and mostly easier by Rs. 5/- and sometimes up to Rs. 10/- However, the Secondaries and Tertiaries have traded strongly to be sold at fully firm to dearer.

**The overall sale percentage is 94% at an average of Rs. 118.06.**

**Buying Pattern:** Fairly good Internal operation with Madhu Jayanthi being the main stay on the Export front.

**COIMBATORE**

**CTC LEAF**

**Demand:** Fair demand.

**Market:** Better mediums were irregular and lower by Re.1/- to Rs.2/-. Others lower by Rs.2/- to Rs.4/ with some withdrawals.

**Buying Pattern:** Blenders were active. Internal buyers were selective. Exporters subdued..

**ORTH LEAF:** Fair demand.

**Market:** Brokens / BOPF's were lower by Rs.2/- to Rs.4/- with some withdrawals.

**Buying Pattern:** Exporters were active.

**CTC DUST**

**Demand:** Fair general demand.

**Market:** Better liquoring and popular sorts were lower by Re.1/- to Rs.2/- sometimes more. Medium and plain sorts lower by Rs.2/- to Rs.5/- with few withdrawals.

**Buying Pattern:** Blenders, packeeters and internal buyers were active. Exporters were selective.

**ORTH DUST**

**Market:** Poor demand. Barely steady but suffered heavy withdrawals.

**Buying Pattern:** Exporters were selective.

*Source: Paramount Tea Marketing (SI) Private Limited.*

28<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

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