

LANKA COMMODITY BROKERS LTD TEA MARKET REPORT

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SALE NO.03 OF 18TH/19TH JANUARY, 2022

COMMENTS

Sri Lanka's Tea Production for 2021 is 299.3 mkgs, and, exceeds the 2020 crop by 20.4 mkgs. All three elevations have recorded crop gains over 2020 with High Growns improving by 4.87%, and, the Medium and Low Grown elevations increasing by 8.93% and 7.82%, respectively. Sri Lanka however, should have ideally ended the year 2021 with a National Crop of around 325 mkgs as the weather conditions by and large were quite favorable, but, was not in a position to *carpe diem* due to the non-availability of fertilizer.

This week's tea auction (Sale # 03) was conducted on January 18 & 19, 2022 (Tue/Wed), with a weight of 5.1 mkgs on offer. The Low Grown Leafy, Semi Leafy, Tippy & Small Leaf/ Premium Flowery catalogues totaled 2.2 mkgs, whilst Main Sale High & Medium had 0.55 mkgs, and, Ex Estate category had 0.72 mkgs.

There was good general demand for teas in the Ex Estate catalogue. Best Western selected BOP' and BOPF's gained Rs. 10/- to 20/- following special interest, while, others and below-best teas eased by a similar amount, barring coloury sorts that gained up to Rs.20/-. Nuwara Eliya's were mostly unsold for want of suitable bids. Uda Pussellawa BOP's were Rs. 10/- to 20/- dearer, whilst, their BOPF's gained Rs.10/- per kg. Uva BOP's with maintained quality were firm, while, others were easier. High priced Uva BOPF's of last week were discounted by Rs.20/- to 30/-, while, others mostly held firm. CTC Teas – High Grown PF1's were Rs.20/- to 30/- dearer, while, Mediums held firm. The best Low Growns were Rs. 10/- to 20/- dearer. BP1's – There were hardly any High Growns while Mediums were irregular. Low Growns gained up to Rs. 20/-. Russian bulk buyers operated forcefully to keep up to shipping schedules as some sailings were due to depart Colombo within the next few days. There was good interest from Japan, Germany and other European markets for the better liquoring teas. Below best liquoring teas saw maintained interest from Hong Kong and China.

There was sustained good demand for Low Growns. Select best OP1's were about firm while cleaner below-best teas gained selectively. Well-made OP's and OPA's were maintained while others and poorer sorts were fully firm dearer. BOP1's in general were fully firm. A range of well-made Pekoe/Pekow1 grades maintained, whilst teas with irregular quality were easier. Select best FBOP's and FBOPF1's were fully firm to selectively dearer, whilst cleaner below-best teas also appreciated on last. Buyers for Iran were more active. Other Middle Eastern destinations actively supported teas suitable for their buying standards. The CIS buyers concentrated on clean and stylish leafy teas. Turkey was active, but, selective on Pekoes. Iraq and Libya continued to support bottom level teas.

This week's auction comprised of 10,006 lots with a total quantity of 5,104,339 kgs.

The catalogue wise breakdown was as follows:-

C	<u>Lot</u>	Qty. (Kgs)
Low Grown Leafy	1,891	721,229
Low Grown Semi Leat	fy 1,384	569,162
Low Grown Tippy	1,886	908,273
High & Medium	1,178	559,514
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,126	1,075,084
Dust	501	477,930
Premium Flowery	402	66,716
Ex-Estate	638	726,431
Total	<u>10,006</u>	<u>5,104,339</u>

In Lighter Vein

Forgot His Prayers

A husband and wife were dining at a 5-star restaurant. When their food arrived, the husband said: "Our food has arrived! Let's eat!"

His wife reminded him: "Honey, you always say your prayers at home before your dinner!"

Her husband replied: "That's at home, my

dear. Here the chef knows how to cook!"

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LOW GROWN TEAS

LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY

BOP1: Best on offer maintained last levels, whilst the others were irregular and mostly lower.

OP1 : Select best types gained Rs.20-30/- whilst the others were irregularly lower by Rs.30-50/-.

OP : All-round irregular and mostly lower.

OPA: Select best types declined by Rs.20-30/- whilst the others maintained last levels.

PEK/PEK1: Select best maintained last levels whilst the others were irregularly lower by Rs.20-40/-.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	Best		Belov	v Best	Others		
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week	
BOP1	1350-1950	1400-1900	850-1350	900-1400	650-850	680-900	
OP1	1250-2450	1400-2350	800-1350	800-1400	650-800	650-800	
ОР	700-850	750-900	600-700	600-750	500-600	500-600	
OPA	850-1000	800-1000	700-850	600-800	550-700	500-600	
PEK/PEK1	900-1500	900-1600	730-900	760-900	600-730	600-760	

TIPPY/SMALL LEAF

BOP/BOPSP: Well made varieties advanced. Cleaner below best and lower end gained substantially. The

rest maintained.

BOPF/BOPFSP: Select best invoices appreciated; balance sold around last levels.

FBOP/FBOP1 : Select best FBOP's held firm, whilst cleaner secondaries and cleaner teas at the lower

end gained substantially; balance gained to a lesser extent. FBOP1's in general were dearer.

FBOPF/FBOPF1: Tippy flowery grades continued to attract good demand. Best were firm to selectively dearer,

whilst cleaner Below Best and cleaner teas at the lower end appreciated. Well-made FF1's

appreciated. All others unchanged

FBOPFSP/EXSP: Select best invoices appreciated following quality and the rest maintained.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	Best		Belov	v Best	Others		
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week	
BOP/BOPSP	1000-1300	1000-1180	800-1000	800-1000	600-800	550-600	
BOPF/BOPFSP	900-1500	1000-1140	750-900	800-1000	600-750	500-550	
FBOP/FBOP1	1100-1600	1200-1600	850-1100	900-1200	750-850	700-800	
FBOPF/FBOPF1	1000-1450	1000-1450	800-1000	850-1000	700-800	700-800	
FBOPFSP/EXSP	2300-3700	2200-3650	1500-2300	1500-2200	900-1500	750-900	

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MEDIUM GROWN LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY TEAS

FBOP

 Well made FBOP's advanced fairly sharply; secondaries and the lower types too were met with better demand.

FBOPF/FBOF1 - Neat well made FBOPF1 and FBOPF types advanced Rs.30-50/-; below best and the poorer types too sold well.

PEK/PEK1

- Except for well made shotty types, balance PEK/PEK1's lost in value; secondaries and the poorer sorts too shed Rs.20-30/- towards the close.

O 11 (D 117)	Ве	est	Belov	v Best	Others		
Quotations (Rs./Kg)	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week	
FBOP	850-1400	800-1400	750-850	750-850	700-750	650-720	
FBOPF/FBOPF1	850-1060	840-1060	775-850	775-850	675-775	630-775	
PEK/PEK1	750-960	800-1040	575-750	590-800	500-575	500-590	

HIGH GROWNS TEAS

BOP: Best Western's - Few select invoices were firm and Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer following special inquiry whilst the others were lower by a similar margin. Teas in the Below Best and Plainer categories were irregular and Rs.10-20/- per kg lower with select high priced teas of last week declining further. Nuwara Eliya's were firm and Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer. Uda Pussellawa's were firm and Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer Uva's, where quality was maintained, prices were generally firm, whilst the others were irregular.

BOPF: Best Western's - A few select invoices were Rs.20/- per kg dearer following special inquiry whilst the others were firm and up to Rs.20/- per kg easier following quality. In the Below Best category, neat leaf coloury teas continued to sell around last week's levels, whilst the others were irregular and Rs.10-20/- per kg lower. Teas at the lower end were barely steady. Nuwara Eliya's were difficult of sale. Uda Pussellawa's were firm and Rs.10/- per kg dearer. Uva's - Select high priced teas of last week declined Rs.20-30/- per kg, whilst the others were generally maintained though prices tend to fluctuate following quality.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	В	OP	BOPF		
	This Week Last Week		This Week	Last Week	
Best Westerns	740-820	740-880	750-890	740-830	
Below Best Westerns	650-730	670-730	680-740	690-730	
Plainer Westerns	600-640	590-660	660-670	660-680	
Nuwara Eliyas	690-730	610	600	560	
Brighter UdaPussellawas	590-700	570-660	630-690	650-700	
Other Uda Pussellawas	550	510-550	N/A	610-630	
Best Uva's.	610-700	600-670	620-700	680-770	
Other Uva's	580-590	580-590	550-600	620-670	

MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

BOP: Teas in the higher price bracket continued to sell well, whilst the others were generally firm..

BOPF: Generally firm..

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BOI		ВС	OPF
	This Week Last Week		This Week	Last Week
Best Westerns	580-1200	540-1000	500-760	490-760

CTC TEAS

High Grown:

BP1 - Hardly any offerings

PF1 - Best available Rs. 20-30/- per kg deare, whilst the others were firm and dearer to a lesser extent.

Medium Grown:

BP1 - Irregular.

PF1- Select invoices sold around last week s levels, whilst the others were irregular and easier.

Low Grown:

BP1 / **PF1** – Rs. 10-20/- per kg dearer.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	Pl	F1	BP1		
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week	
High	590-720	620-680	Not Quoted	Not Quoted	
Medium	430-680	400-670	440-570	420-540	
Low	440-920	400-880	450-740	470-670	

OFF GRADES

FGS/FGS1:

Select best Liquoring FNGS/FNGS1s dearer by Rs.10/- per kg whilst poorer sorts were firm on last week levels. Clean Low Grown FNGS1 appreciated Rs.20-30/- per kg; others advanced Rs.20/- per kg.

BM:

Well-made BM's were dearer by Rs.30/- per kg. Lower end teas firm to dearer by Rs.20-30/- per kg.

BOP1A:

Select best BOP1A's advanced Rs.10/- whilst best types appreciated Rs.20-30/- per kg and lower end teas firm to dearer by Rs.10-20/- per kg.

QUOTATIONS (Rs./kg)	HIGH		MED	DIUM	LOW	
	This Week	<u>Last Week</u>	This Week	Last Week	This Week	<u>Last Week</u>
Good Fannings (Orthodox)	425-690	400-700	450-570	430-530	450-580	440-560
Good Fannings (CTC)	360-440	360-410	360-460	360-430	360-440	360-430
Other Fannings (Orthodox)	380-460	380-440	380-470	380-440	380-470	380-450
Other Fannings (CTC)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Good BM's	480-600	470-570	480-600	470580	490-600	470-600
Other BM's	440-490	420-460	440-490	420-460	440-490	420-470
Best BOP1As	470-520	450-500	480-530	450-510	530-620	530-600
Other BOP1As	450-490	450-480	450-490	440-480	440-490	440-480

DUST

DUST/DUST1:

Liquoring High Grown D1's eased by Rs.30-40/-; others also firm on last levels. Low Grown Clean Dust/Dust1's appreciated by Rs.50/- per kg.

PD:

PD's from High & Medium elevations witnessed an irregular demand whilst Low Grown PD's were substantially declined by Rs.30-40/- per kg and at times further.

QUOTATIONS (Rs./kg)	HIGH		MEI	DIUM	LOW		
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week	
Good Primary Dust 1(Orthodox)	550-1040	870-1040	600-780	590-770	550-670	600-750	
Good Primary PD (CTC)	550-680	540-630	530-670	550-680	630-780	670-840	
Secondary Dust	350-400	350-400	340-380	340-380	350-400	350-400	

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WESTERN ME	<u>DIUM</u>		UVA MEDIUM			LOW GROWN	LEAFY GRADE	<u>ES</u>
Kenilworth	BOP	1200/-	Demondara 'S'	BOP	1020/-	*Sithaka	BOP1	1950/-
*Dartry Valley	BOP	1000/-	Telbedde	BOPSP	940/-	Pothotuwa	OP1	2450/-
*Ancoombra	BOPSP	980/-	Dickwella	BOPF/BOPFSP	980/-	Sithaka	OP1	2400/-
*Hatale	BOPSP	980/-	Demondara	BOP1	1300/-	*Hidellana	OP1	1850/-
*Ancoombra	BOPF/BOPFSP	840/-	Dickwella	FBOP/FBOP1	1180/-	New Deniyaya	OP	1000/-
*Vellai Oya	BOPF/BOPFSP	760/-	Demondara 'S'	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1040/-	Liyonta	OPA	1100/-
Orange Feild	BOP1	1140/-	Dickwella	OP/OPA	850/-	Golden Garden	PEKOE	1550/-
Dartry Valley	BOP1	1120/-	*Halpewatte Uva	OP1	900/-	*Hidellana	PEKOE1	1500/-
*Hatale	FBOP/FBOP1	1400/-	Dickwella	PEK/PEK1	900/-	*Andaradeniya S	uper PEKOE1	1450/-
Harangalla	FBOP/FBOP1	1350/-	Sarnia Plaiderie	PEK/PEK1	800/-	*K D U Super	PEKOE1	1400/-
Dartry Valley	FBOP/FBOP1	1250/-						
*Harangalla	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1060/-	UVA HIGH					
Glenloch	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1040/-	Glenanore	BOP	920/-	LOW GROWN	TIPPY GRADE	<u>:S</u>
*Ancoombra	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1020/-	Uva Highlands	BOP	890/-	Ceciliyan	BOP	1500/-
*Kurugama	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1000/-	Spring Valley	BOPSP	790/-	Suduwelipothahen	aBOP	1300/-
Cooroondoowatte	OP/OPA	870/-	Bandara Eliya	BOPF/BOPFSP	700/-	Pothatuwa	BOP	1300/-
Doombagastalawa	OP1	1000/-	Oodoowerre	BOP1	1140/-	*Mahaliyadda	ВОР	1250/-
*Harangalla	PEK/PEK1	960/-	*Battawatte	BOP1	1040/-	*Makandura	BOP	1250/-
Dartry Valley	PEK/PEK1	920/-	Aislaby	FBOP/FBOP1	1350/-	*N.Mount Carme		1250/-
, ,			Glenanore	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1020/-	Graceland	BOPSP	1250/-
WESTERN HIG	Н		*Battawatte	FBOPF/FBOPF1		*Sithaka	BOPFSP	1500/-
Ingestre	BOP	820/-	Uva Highlands	OP/OPA	690/-	*Sithaka	BOPFSP	1250/-
Queensberry	BOPSP	890/-	Glenanore	OP/OPA OP1	1000/-	Kiruwanaganga	BOPFSP	1250/-
Dessford		890/-			790/-	*Hidellana	BOPF	1250/-
	BOPF/BOPFSP		Glenanore	PEK/PEK1	/90/-			
Weddemulla	BOP1	880/-				Ceciliyan	BOPF	1080/-
Weddemulla	FBOP/FBOP1	1160/-	UDA PUSSELL			*Makandura	BOPF	1000/-
Weddemulla	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1040/-	Luckeyland	BOP	700/-	Gunawardena	FBOP	1600/-
Weddemulla	OP/OPA	690/-	Delmar	BOPSP	870/-	*Sithaka	FBOP	1550/-
Weddemulla	OP1	890/-	*Ragalla	BOPF/BOPFSP	690/-	*Hidellana	FBOP1	1400/-
Frotoft	PEK/PEK1	750/-	Luckeyland	BOPF/BOPFSP	690/-	*Sithaka	FBOP1	1350
			Kirkeels	BOPF/BOPFSP	690/-	Waulugala Group		1450/-
NUWARA ELIY	<u> </u>		Gordon	FBOP/FBOP1	880/-	*Athukorala Gro	-	1400/-
Kenmare	BOPF/BOPFSP	600/-	Gordon	FBOPF/FBOPF1	890/-	Golden Garden	FBOPF1	1400/-
Cort Lodge	FBOP/FBOP1	890/-	Gordon	OP/OPA	710/-	*Mahaliyadda	FBOPF1	1350/-
Mahagastotte	FBOP/FBOP1	860/-	Delmar	OP1	680/-			
Kenmare	FBOPF/FBOPF1	840/-	Delmar	PEK/PEK1	660/-	PREMIUM FLO	<u>)WERY</u>	
Mahagastotte	FBOPF/FBOPF1	820/-				Graceland	FBOPFSP	3200/-
Mahagastotte	OP/OPA	700/-	OFF GRADES			New Deniyaya	FBOPFEXSP	3700/
Mahagastotte	PEK/PEK1	830/-		D.D.	000/	Kendalanda	FBOPFEXSP1	3000/-
			*Chandrika Estat		890/-			
CTC TEAS			Maratenne	BP	920/-			
	_		Hingalgoda	PF	700/-			
HIGH GROWN	=		Gunawardana	BM	880/-			
Dunsinane CTC	PF1	720/-	Gouravilla	FNGS/FNGS1	710/-			
Ulugedara	BP1	550/-	*Avissawella	BOP1A	780/-			
			Golden Garden	BOP1A	840/-			
MEDIUM GRO	<u>WN</u>		Matuwagala Super	BOP1A	810/-			
*New Peacock	PF1	650/-						
*Donside	BP1	570/-						
			DUST					
LOW GROWN			Matakelle	DUST1	1000/-			
Ceciliyan CTC	PF1	920/-	Ceciliyan	PD	780/-			
Hingalgoda CTC	PF1	920/-			, 00,-			
*Kalubowitiyana	PF1	900/-						
Ceciliyan CTC	BP1	740/-						
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^{*} Sold by Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd / +++All Time Record Price / ++ Equal All Time Record Price

COLOMBO AUCTION - GROSS SALE AVERAGES $SALE\ NO.02\ OF\ 11^{TH}\ JANUARY, 2022$

		2022		2021		
	Weekly	Month to Date	Year to Date	Weekly	Year to Date	
Uva High Grown	614.90	612.01	609.59	584.82	582.30	
Western High Grown	714.92	718.27	708.98	638.98	640.99	
High Grown	678.78	680.21	672.25	624.25	625.65	
Uva Medium	633.94	620.46	623.96	603.83	602.13	
Western Medium	604.80	581.75	580.18	583.04	582.54	
Medium Grown	614.96	595.54	595.66	589.54	588.43	
Low Grown (Orthodox)	747.75	723.19	723.19	680.30	680.87	
Combined L.G. (Orthodox + CTC)	729.42	705.79	707.49	671.02	672.48	
Total	701.16	682.01	681.90	647.49	648.48	

Private Sale Figures (10.01.2022 – 05.01.2022) - 12,421.00 Kgs

Cumulative - 12,421.00 Kgs

DETAILS OF TEAS AWAITING SALE

	Sale of 25	th/26 th Jan' 2022	Sale of 31s Jan /02nd Feb'2022		
	<u>Lots</u>	<u> Qty. (Kgs)</u>	<u>Lots</u>	Oty. (Kgs)	
Low Grown Leafy	2,234	968,125	2,051	858,654	
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,661	774,482	1,512	679,915	
Low Grown Tippy	2,273	1,244,216	2,333	1,236,976	
High & Medium	1706	871,673	1,525	762,520	
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,421	1,299,878	2,635	1,464,737	
Dust	614	627,883	602	606,743	
Premium Flowery	491	90,966	375	69,535	
Ex-Estate	<u>920</u>	<u>1,076,601</u>	<u>847</u>	963,415	
Total	<u>12,320</u>	<u>6,953,824</u>	<u>11,880</u>	<u>6,672,495</u>	

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CATALOGUES

Sale No. 05 of 31st January/01st February, 2022

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues closed on 13th January, 2022 at 4.30 p.m.

Sale No.06 of 08th /09th February, 2022

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on 20th January, 2022 at 04.30 p.m.

Sale No.07 of 14th /15th February, 2022

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on 27th January, 2022 at 04.30 p.m.

BROKER'S SELLING ORDER

SALE NO.04

Auction of 25th/26th January, 2022

Leafy/Tippy/BOP1A/ Premium Flowery

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

High & Medium/Off Grades/Dust

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

Ex-Estate

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

Crop & Weather

For the period 10th to 16th January, 2022

WESTERN/NUWARA ELIYA REGIONS -

The Western Region reported bright mornings with occasional evening showers, whilst the Nuwara Eliya region reported bright weather throughout the week. The Department of Meteorology expects showers in the Nuwara Eliya Region in the week ahead.

UVA/UDAPUSSELLAWA REGION -

Bright weather and isolated showers were reported in several districts in both regions throughout the week. Intermittent rain is expected in the Uva Region in the week ahead according to the Department of Meteorology.

LOW GROWN REGION -

The Low Grown Region reported sunny mornings and evening showers throughout the week. Heavy showers are expected in the Ruhuna and Sabaragamuwa regions by the Department of Meteorology in the week ahead.

CROP INTAKE -

The Western, Nuwara Eliya and Low Grown regions maintained the crop intake, whilst the Uva and Udapussellawa regions reported a decrease

World Crop Statistics (MKGS)

Country	Month	2020	2021	Difference +/-	To-date 2020	To-date 2021	Difference +/-
SRI LANKA	Nov.	24.91	20.00	-4.91	250.19	278.75	28.56
BANGLADESH	Sep.	12.14	12.61	0.47	57.45	64.76	7.31
KENYA	Aug.	38.52	33.63	-4.89	375.75	342.44	-33.3
SOUTH INDIA	Oct.	20.16	21.26	1.1	179.83	204.18	24.35
NORTH INDIA	Oct.	155.62	167.4	11.74	853.05	940.74	87.69
MALAWI	Sep.	2.78	4.03	1.25	36.40	42.40	6.0
TANZANIA	June	1.67	1.80	0.13	17.52	16.56	-1.0
UGANDA	June	5.77	3.57	-2.2	33.94	25.74	-8.20

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-OTHER MARKETS-

BANGLADESH AUCTION

Sale 36 held on Monday 17th January, 2022

CTC LEAF: 53,968 packages of Current Season teas on offer met with a selective demand at irregular rates.

BROKENS: A few well made good liquoring teas were in strong demand and were generally firm to dearer following competition Medium types saw fair demand but prices eased again with fair withdrawals. Plainer varieties generally met with less enquiry and witnessed more withdrawals. BLF teas sold in line with last levels with some withdrawals

FANNINGS: A few good liquoring Fannings met with strong demand and prices appreciated in line with quality. Mediums saw fair demand but were easier with fair withdrawals. Plain teas saw less prices and eased further and there were heavy withdrawals. BLF teas sold in line with last levels with some withdrawals

CTC DUST: 10,447 packages of Current Season teas on offer met with good demand Good liquoring Dusts sold well at around last levels. Their Mediums were barely steady to easier. Plainer/ BLF sorts sold at firm to occasionally dearer with several withdrawals. Blenders lent strong support with fair interest from the Loose tea buyers.

COMMENTS: Good liquoring varieties were a strong feature of the sale as there was competition from Blenders and Loose tea buyers and generally appreciated in prices. All others met with a selective demand and prices eased with more withdrawals especially the plain varieties. Blenders were the mainstay of the market with fair interest from the Internal Loose tea buyers.

A feature of the sale was the low demand for plain and poor types

Dusts sold well.

Quotations – This Week – (In Taka)

Brokens	This Week	Last Week	Fannings	This week	Last Week	Dust	This Week	Last Week
Large	NQTA	NQTA	Best	215-220	215-220	PD	194-274	189-289
Medium	160-172	163-175	Good	182-192	185-195	RD	148-293	153-298
Small	165-178	168-180	Medium	165-172	165-175	D	153-294	155-295
Plain	140-155	145-155	Plain	145-155	145-155	CD	160-268	161-341
BLF	125-150	125-145	BLF	125-150	125-145	BLF	152-175	150-179

COURTESY: NATIONAL BROKERS LTD

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SOUTHINDIAN ROUNDUP FOR THE WEEKENDING 15TH JANUARY - 2022

CTC LEAF KOCHI

Demand: Good Demand. All varieties sold around last levels.

LEAF-ORTHODOX:

Demand: Fair Demand

Market: Market opened with an irregular trend particularly on the whole leaf & tippy grades but firmed up as sale progressed. The

cleaner blacker secondary brokers had good demand

Buying Pattern: Middle East and CIS buyers operated.

<u>DUST</u>

Demand: Better General Demand..

Market: Market opened on a dearer note and price irregularly moved up by Rs. 2 to Rs. 5 & sometimes more.

Buying Pattern: Major blenders were active with useful support from packeteers & Internal buyers. Upcountry buyers operated on bolder

grades. Best mediums witnessed fair support from internal & regional packeteers.

CTC LEAF

COONOOR

Demand: Good.

Market: Market was barely steady to occasionally dearer across all types and categories. However the cleaner and blacker types continued to have absorbed with better price ranges. The sale had witnessed frequent disruptions this week too, which had resulted in the leaf sale to carry forward to the next day. **The overall sale percentage is 82% at an average of Rs. 96.67.**

Buying Pattern:The major blenders have continued their support on the mediums and better mediums along with the other region packers. Internal had been active as the western Indian market was seen stronger on the brighter types. From the Southern side only Andhra was looking to absorb fair quantity. Exporters were rather selective with only SSK Exports was keen on covering the bolder brokens.

ORTH LEAF

Demand: Fair.

Market: Market for the well made and cleaner teas of the high growns have moved up in prices with the whole leaf grades attracting better participation. Others were rather barely steady to occasionally dearer. The sale had witnessed with fair withdrawals on the fannings and on the secondaries. **The overall sale percentage is 72% at an average of Rs. 117.30**

Buying Pattern: Fairly good internal operation was forthcoming with Girnar Food & Beverages and Shah Brothers were the main operates on the export front.

CTC DUST

Demand: Good.

Market: Steady to firm market with the best and better liquoring types along with the blacker and cleaner types either holding firm or witnessed better enquiry and thereby selling at dearer levels. **The overall sale percentage is 78% at an average of Rs. 101.89.**

Buying Pattern: Good internal enquiry was forthcoming with fairly good support from the major blenders. On the export front Girnar Food & Beverages was seen absorbing a fair share of quantity that was traded.

ORTH DUST

Demand: Good.

Market: Barring a few popular primary grades which were trading at fully firm to dearer levels the others were irregularly lower. The price drop was witnessed more on the teas which are with discolored leaf and fibrous.

The overall sale percentage is 77% at an average of Rs. 105.07.

Buying Pattern: Fair internal operation was witnessed with very selective support from the exporters.

CTC LEAF

COIMBATORE

Demand: Fair demand.

Market: Better medium and popular sorts were lower by Rs.5/- to Rs.10/- sometimes more with heavy withdrawals. Mediums barely steady to firm. Plainer teas irregular and lower by Re.1/- to Rs.2/- with some withdrawals.

Buying Pattern: Blenders, packeeters and exporters were active. Internal selective.

ORTH LEAF:

Demand: Fair general demand.

Market: Whole leaf dearer by Rs.5/- to Rs.10/-. Brokens were irregular and with few withdrawals. BOPF & Fannings lower by Rs.2/with few withdrawals.

Buying Pattern: Exporters and internal were selective.

CTC DUST

Demand: Good general demand.

Market: Better medium and popular bolder grades were irregular with some withdrawals. Others fully firm to dearer by Re.1/- to Rs.2/- sometimes more following quality. Medium teas steady. Plainer teas were fully firm with few withdrawals on finer grades.

Buying Pattern: Internal buyers active. Blenders, packeeters and exporters were selective.

ORTH DUST

Demand: Fair demand.

Market: Barely steady with heavy withdrawals.

Buying Pattern: Exporters and internal buyers were selective.

Source: Paramount Tea Marketing (SI) Private Limited

19th January, 2022.

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LANKA COMMODITY BROKERS LTD

SRI LANKA TEA PRODUCTION- DECEMBER, 2021



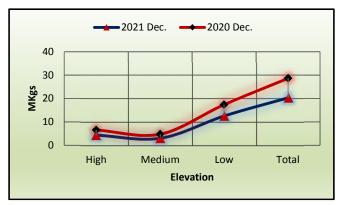
Sri Lanka has recorded a national tea production of 20.4 Mkgs for December 2021, which is lower by 8.2 Mkgs when compared to December, 2020. However during the period January, December 2021, the national harvest of 299.3 Mkgs, reflects a gain of 20.4 Mkgs over the crop achieved in the year 2020.

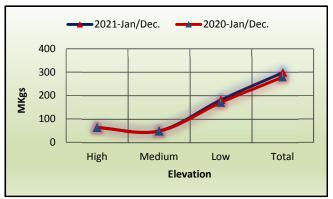
In percentage terms, the steepest *year-on-year* gain was the Medium Grown elevation with a rise of 8.93% followed by the Low Grown and High Grown elevations with gains of 7.8% and 4.87% respectively.

Given below are more comprehensive details relating to tea production.

Sri Lanka Tea Production-December 2021 vs. 2020 (In Kgs)

	2021-Dec.	2020-Dec.	+/-	0/0	Jan/ Dec. 2021	Jan/Dec. 2020	+/-	%
High	4,510,771	6,537,989	(2,027,219)	(31.01)	65,270,995	62,242,494	3,028,501	4,87
Medium	3,201,506	4,725,292	(1,523,786)	(32.25)	50,905,922	46,732,256	4,173,666	8.93
<u>Low</u>	12,705,216	17,393,872	(4,688,656)	(26.96)	183,161,767	169,877,015	13,284,751	<u>7.82</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>20,417,493</u>	<u>28,657,154</u>	(8,239,660)	(28.75)	<u>299,338,684</u>	<u>278,851,765</u>	20,486,918	<u>7.35</u>





During the period January to December, 2021 the larger crop harvests have been from the following regions.

1	Ratnapura	48,328,640.00	11	Hatton/Dickoya	8,096,520.00
2	Galle	42,870,141.00	12	Kegalle	7,071,361.00
3	Gampola/Nawalapitiya/Dolosbage	19,650,628.00	13	Morawaka	6,247,860.00
4	Kalutara	18,938,501.00	14	Pussellawa/Hewaheta	5,905,005.00
5	Matara	14,157,203.00	15	Bogawantalawa	5,588,128.00
6	Deniyaya	13,691,965.00	16	Upcot/Maskeliya	5,488,000.00
7	Demodara/Haliella/Badulla	9,996,299.00	17	Kadugannawa	5,462,630.00
8	Balangoda/Rakwana	8,846,827.00	18	Balangoda	5,177,128.00
9	Nanuoya/Lindula/Talawakelle	8,514,839.00	19	Agarapathana	5,069,113.00
10	Kelani Valley	8,231,949.00	20	Patana / Kotagala	4,187,182.00

January 18, 2022

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