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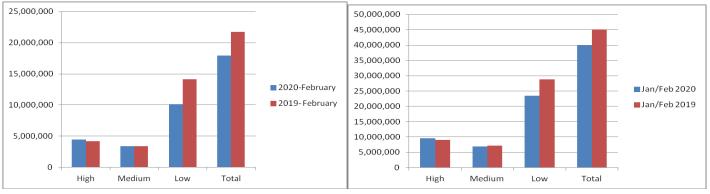
The drought conditions prevalent throughout February, 2020 have resulted in a rapid drop in production to 17.9 Mkgs for the month under review compared to 21.7 Mkgs in February, 2019, i.e., a decline of 3.7 Mkgs(-17%).

The production for January / February, 2020 has recorded 39.8 Mkgs which is again a drop of 5.1 Mkgs over the corresponding period last year. A closer look at the detailed crop statistics given below would reveal that the Low Grown plantations have been the worst affected by the prolonged drought conditions.

Given below are more comprehensive details relating to tea production.

Sri Lanka Tea Production - February 2020 vs. 2019 (In Kgs)

	2020 February	2019- February	Change	%	Jan/Feb 2020	Jan/Feb 2019	Change	0/0
High	4,452,424	4,220,161	232,263	6	9,537,260	9,082,659	454,601	5.01
Medium	3,384,700	3,391,721	-7,021	0	6,904,389	7,158,851	-254,462	-3.55
<u>Low</u>	10,111,273	<u>14,104,688</u>	<i>-</i> 3,993,415	<u>-28</u>	23,445,680	28,827,543	<u>-5,381,863</u>	<u>-18.6</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>17,948,397</u>	<u>21,716,570</u>	<u>-3,768,173</u>	<u>-17</u>	39,887,328	45,069,052	<u>-5,181,724</u>	<u>-11.5</u>



During the period January to February 2020 the larger crop harvests have been from the following regions.

1	Ratnapura	6,258,302.00	11	Bogawantalawa	973,264.00
2	Galle	5,095,598.00	12	Kegalle	958,375.00
3	Kalutara	3,030,237.00	13	Pussellawa/Hewaheta	927,537.00
4	Gampola/Nawalapitiya/Dolosbage	2,775,163.00	14	Kelani Valley	911,937.00
5	Deniyaya	1,599,827.00	15	Upcot/Maskeliya	878,219.00
6	Matara	1,572,028.00	16	Kadugannawa	785,924.00
7	Nanuoya/Lindula/Talawakelle	1,303,631.00	17	Agarapathana	770,052.00
8	Hatton/Dickoya	1,249,466.00	18	Morawaka	764,990.00
9	Demodara/Haliella/Badulla	1,227,906.00	19	Balangoda	631,229.00
10	Balangoda/Rakwana	1,050,337.00	20	Kandy/Matale/Kurunegala	614,263.00

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