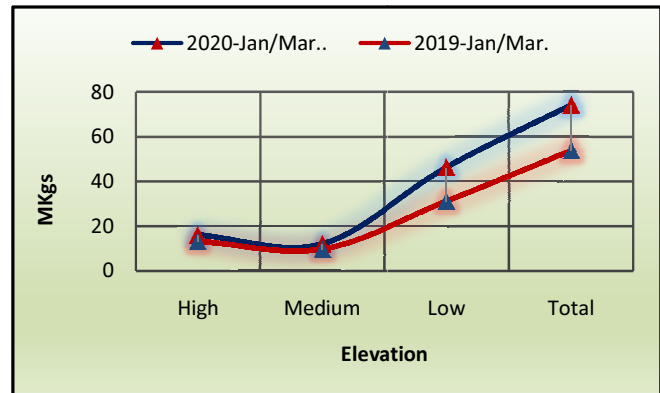
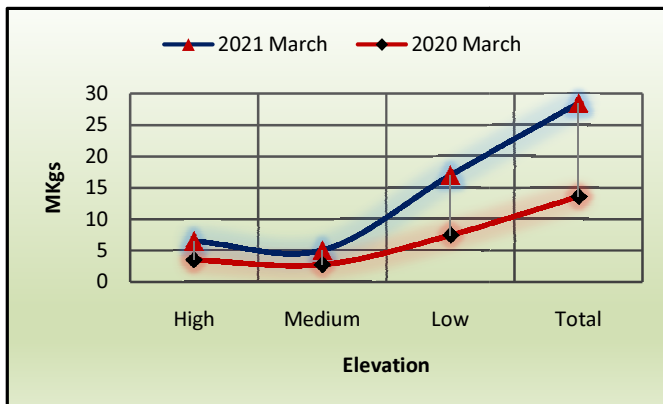


Tea production for March has moved up to 28.4 Mkgs which is again to 14.8 Mkgs over the corresponding month last year. During the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of this calendar year the total production of 74.0 Mkgs is an improvement of 20.3 Mkgs (37.91%) over January/March, 2020, The more favorable weather conditions experienced so far this year have contributed towards this welcome improvement with all indications of a further improvement in the next 2 months.

Given below are more comprehensive details relating to tea production.

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

	2021-March	2020-March	+/-	%	Jan/ Mar 2021	Jan/Mar 2020	+/-	%
<b>High</b>	6,474,028	3,442,723	3,031,305	88.05	15,913,762	13,076,425	2,837,337	21.70
<b>Medium</b>	5,006,587	2,688,075	2,318,511	86.25	11,961,837	9,595,844	2,365,993	24.66
<b>Low</b>	16,930,374	7,395,238	9,535,136	128.94	46,155,965	31,009,973	15,145,993	48.84
<b>Total</b>	<u>28,410,989</u>	<u>13,526,037</u>	<u>14,884,952</u>	<u>110.05</u>	<u>74,031,564</u>	<u>53,682,242</u>	<u>20,349,323</u>	<u>37.91</u>



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

1	Ratnapura	12,561,200.00	11	Demodara/Haliella/Badulla	1,965,505.00
2	Galle	10,876,496.00	12	Kegalle	1,768,594.00
3	Kalutara	4,769,607.00	13	Morawaka	1,642,405.00
4	Gampola/Nawalapitiya/Dolosbage	4,751,821.00	14	Bogawanthalawa	1,581,409.00
5	Matara	3,697,376.00	15	Pussellawa/Hewaheta	1,470,450.00
6	Deniyaya	3,435,036.00	16	Upcot/Maskeliya	1,320,086.00
7	Hatton/Dickoya	2,321,343.00	17	Agarapathana	1,313,876.00
8	Nanuoya/Lindula/Talawakelle	2,295,235.00	18	Balangoda	1,181,377.00
9	Kelani Valley	2,144,747.00	19	Patana/Kotagala	1,169,769.00
10	Balangoda/Rakwana	2,102,368.00	20	Kadugannawa	1,014,345.00

April 21, 2021

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