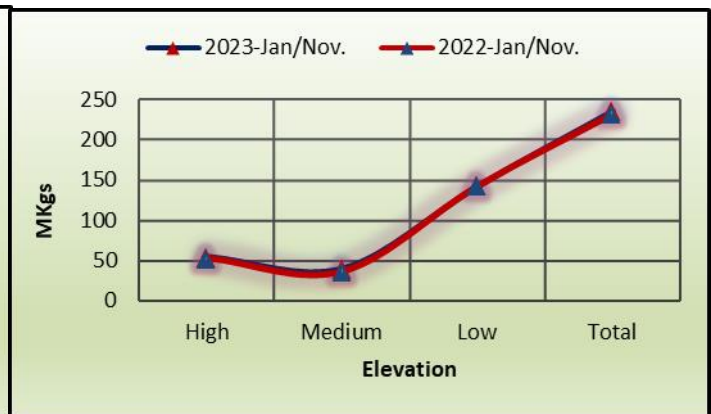
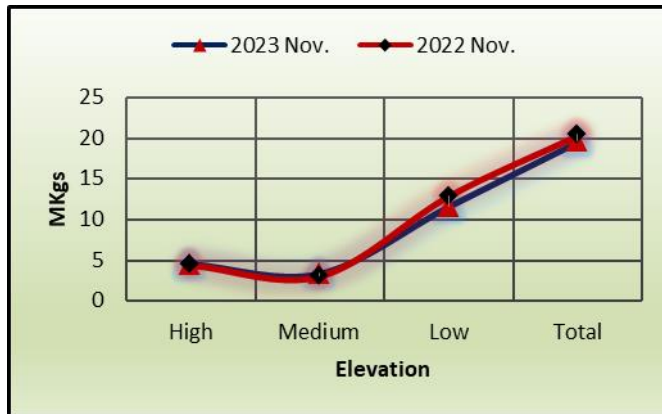


Sri Lanka's Tea Production for the month of November, 2023 shows a decrease of 0.78 MKGS when compared with the corresponding period of last year. During the month under review, High & Medium elevations have recorded gains of 0.12MKGS and 0.34 MKGS respectively whilst Low Growns have recorded a decline of 1.2 MKGS as shown in the undernoted statistics whilst during the cumulative period of Jan/Nov, 2023 has shown an increase of 3.9 MKGS when compared with the corresponding period of 2022. The Crop decrease in the Low Grown areas in particular during the month under review, was mainly due to adverse weather conditions which is uncondusive for growth. It is envisaged that Sri Lanka's Crop Intake for the year 2023 would be in the range of approx. 260 MKGS.

Given below are more comprehensive details relating to tea production.

Sri Lanka Tea Production-November 2023 vs. 2022 (In Kgs)

	2023- Nov.	2022- Nov.	+/-	%	Jan/ Nov. 2023	Jan/Nov 2022	+/-	%
High	4,528,496	4,401,090	127,405	2.9	53,952,923	52,469,773	1,483,150	2.8
Medium	3,398,725	3,053,037	345,688	11.3	39,322,015	36,808,416	2,513,599	6.8
Low	<u>11,658,966</u>	<u>12,910,360</u>	<u>(1,251,394)</u>	<u>(9.7)</u>	<u>142,757,011</u>	<u>142,852,296</u>	<u>(95,285)</u>	<u>(0.1)</u>
Total	<u>19,586,187</u>	<u>20,364,487</u>	<u>(778,300)</u>	<u>(3.8)</u>	<u>236,031,949</u>	<u>232,130,485</u>	<u>3,901,463</u>	<u>1.7</u>



During the period January to November, 2023 the larger crop harvests have been from the following regions.

Crop Harvest Data - Top 20 Districts November 2023 Vs 2022				
	DISTRICT	TEA CROP 2023 (KGS)	TEA CROP 2022(KGS)	(+/-)
1	Ratnapura	36,721,057.0	36,907,320.0	(186,263.0)
2	Galle	35,660,287.0	33,037,067.0	2,623,220.0
3	Gampola/Nawalapitiya/Dolosbage	15,640,402.0	16,403,505.0	(763,103.0)
4	Kalutara	15,265,554.0	14,698,600.0	566,954.0
5	Matara	11,143,271.0	11,679,604.0	(536,333.0)
6	Deniyaya	10,288,511.0	10,697,409.0	(408,898.0)
7	Demodara/Haliella/ Badulla	8,026,802.0	8,443,728.0	(416,926.0)
8	Nanuoya/Lindula/Talawakelle	7,142,936.0	6,831,829.0	311,107.0
9	Kelani Valley	6,330,512.0	6,864,161.0	(533,649.0)
10	Balangoda/Rakwana	6,111,060.0	8,248,364.0	(2,137,304.0)
11	Hatton /Dickoya	6,026,743.0	7,527,789.0	(1,501,046.0)
12	Morawaka	5,404,022.0	5,850,987.0	(446,965.0)
13	Kegalle	5,084,976.0	6,584,919.0	(1,896,129.0)
14	Bogawantalawa	4,688,790.0	5,193,898.0	(108,922.0)
15	Upcot/Maskeliya	4,613,360.0	5,096,447.0	(757,185.0)
16	Pussellawa/Hewaheta	4,505,784.0	5,469,468.0	(963,684.0)
17	Agarapathana	4,339,262.0	4,786,073.0	(172,713.0)
18	Kadugannawa	4,153,284.0	4,991,997.0	(838,713.0)
19	Pundaluoya	3,935,355.0	3,368,443.0	566,912.0
20	Udapussellawa/Halgranoya	3,428,534.0	3,379,224.0	49,310.0

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