



*We Wish our valued customers*

**A Merry Christmas**

*and*

**Best wishes for a  
Bright and Prosperous  
2026 !**



## COMMENTS

This week's Tea Auction, namely Sale #49 was held on December 22 (Mon.) /23 (Tue) 2025. A total weight of 5.7 MKGS was on offer, which shows a similar quantity when compared to the previous week. The Low Grown Leafy, Semi Leafy, Tippy/Small Leaf & Premium Flowery catalogues totaled 2.4 MKGS, while the Main Sale High & Medium segment had 0.7 MKGS. The Ex Estate category had 0.7 MKGS.

At the Ex-Estate held today, an irregular trend was witnessed with prices fluctuating on account of quality. Best Western BOP's/BOPF's in the higher price bracket of last week declined by Rs.50/- and more. Below best teas too lost Rs.20-40/- whilst plainer varieties too were a lower feature. The Majority of the Nuwara Eliya's were barely steady. Uva/Udapussellawa BOP's/BOPF's too tended irregular and were mostly Rs.20-40/- easier. CTC Teas- High & Medium PF1's were firm to Rs.20/- easier along with Low grown PF1's. There was hardly any BP1's on offer this week from all elevations. The limited selection of the brighter teas were sought after by shippers to Japan, the Continent whilst the balance were absorbed by Shippers to Russia, CIS and China/Hong Kong.

The Majority of the Low grown grades continued to meet with good demand at firmer levels with the exception of OPA's which were an easier feature following quality. Bright tippy varieties too were held firm on last levels. Traditional markets continued to be operative.

We take this opportunity of wishing our valued clients ***"A Merry Christmas !"***

This week's auction comprised of **11,576** lots with a total quantity of **5,765,763** Kgs.

### ***In Lighter Vein***

The catalogue wise breakdown was as follows:-

### **CAN'T EVEN SEE THE TREES**

	<u><b>Lots</b></u>	<u><b>Qty. (Kgs)</b></u>	
Low Grown Leafy	2,216	857,656	A star-struck young lady was invited to a Hollywood Christmas party. She spied a star she was sure she knew and went up to him. "I'm a huge fan!" she said. "Could I touch your neck?" The actor stepped back and said, "What are you talking about?" She blurted, "Aren't you Zach Woods?" "No, I'm James Woods!" he answered with some annoyance "I'm so sorry," she confessed. "I guess I was in the wrong neck of the woods."
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,584	656,569	
Low Grown Tippy	2,022	931,649	
High & Medium	1,588	735,552	
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,428	1,255,300	
Dust	536	480,109	
Premium Flowery	406	53,226	
Ex-Estate	<u>796</u>	<u>795,702</u>	
<b>Total</b>	<u><b>11,576</b></u>	<u><b>5,765,763</b></u>	

## LOW GROWN TEAS

### LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY

- BOP1** : Select best BOP1's maintained on last week levels and the balance tended irregular to lower.
- OP1** : Teas in the select best category maintained, whilst the best and below best types were irregular to lower. Stalky invoices were declined substantially.
- OP** : Select best invoices declined by Rs.50/- per kg and the below best teas too declined. Lower end teas too lower followed a similar trend.
- OPA** : High priced OPA's too declined by Rs.50/- and the best and below best invoices too declined further. Poorer sorts declined.
- PEK/PEK1** : Select best PEK's maintained, whilst the balance were irregular to lower. Well made PEK1's and the best types were irregular to lower, balance too declined further.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)		BOP1	OP1	OP	OPA	PEK/PEK1
SELECT BEST	This Week	2100-3000	2200-3600	1350-1900	1450-2000	2000-2500
	Last Week	2300-3000	2400-3600	1450-1700	1500-1900	2100-2450
BEST	This Week	1700-2050	1650-2150	1150-1300	1250-1400	1700-1950
	Last Week	1800-2250	1750-2550	1250-1400	1300-1450	1800-2050
BELOW BEST	This Week	1350-1650	1350-1600	950-1100	1050-1200	1350-1700
	Last Week	1450-1750	1400-1700	1100-1200	1100-1250	1400-1750
SECONDARIES	This Week	1100-1300	1000-1300	800-900	800-1000	1050-1300
	Last Week	1200-1400	1150-1350	850-1050	850-1050	1100-1350
POOR	This Week	800-1050	650-950	500-750	550-750	850-1000
	Last Week	900-1150	700-1100	550-800	550-800	900-1050

**TIPPY/SMALL LEAF**

**BOP/BOPSP** : High-priced BOP's were irregular, whilst the balance were firm.

**BOPF/BOPFSP** : In general sold around last levels.

**FBOP/FBOP1** : Well-made FBOP's were firm, whilst the Below Best and cleaner teas at the lower end appreciated. Balance sold around last levels. FBOP1's, in general, were firm.

**FBOPF/FBOPF1** : FBOF1's in generally were firm whilst the secondary teas were dearer. FBOPF's were sold around last levels.

**FBOPFSP** : Small tippy teas were firm to dearer, teas at lower end were irregularly lower.

**FFEXSP/SP1** : Long tippy varieties were firm to dearer whilst the teas at the lower end were firm.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)		BOP/ BOPSP	BOPF/ BOPFSP	FBOP/ FBOP1	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	FBOPFSP/ FBOPFEXSP
SELECT BEST	This Week	2050-2250	1650-2200	2200-2700	1650-2550	5200-6350
	Last Week	2250-2500	1650-1900	2250-2700	1650-2900	5250-6300
BEST	This Week	1650-1850	1420-1600	1650-1850	1450-1600	3750-4850
	Last Week	1650-2150	1420-1600	1650-1850	1440-1600	3700-4850
BELOW BEST	This Week	1360-1550	1280-1400	1420-1600	1320-1430	2500-3600
	Last Week	1100-1600	1280-1400	1420-1600	1320-1420	2480-3550
SECONDARIES	This Week	1080-1340	1070-1250	1220-1380	1180-1300	1460-1850
	Last Week	1080-1360	1070-1250	1220-1380	1180-1300	1440-1800
POOR	This Week	890-1040	850-960	960-1140	890-1080	1000-1360
	Last Week	900-1040	850-960	960-1140	890-1080	1000-1340

### MEDIUM GROWN LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY TEAS

**FBOP** : Well made FBOP's were firm, whilst the below best and cleaner teas appreciated. Balance sold around last levels.

**FBOPF/FBOPF1** : High priced FBOPF1's were firm to last week, whilst the best were firm to selectively dearer.

**PEK/PEK1** : High priced PEK/PEK1's were selectively dearer, whilst the best and the below best varieties were irregular and mostly lower.

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>FBOP</b>	<b>1450-2000</b>	1450-2250	<b>1340-1450</b>	1350-1450	<b>850-1380</b>	870-1400
<b>FBOPF/FBOPF1</b>	<b>1550-1700</b>	1500-1700	<b>1300-1500</b>	1300-1480	<b>880 -1260</b>	880 -1250
<b>PEK/PEK1</b>	<b>1750-2000</b>	1800-2050	<b>1320-1700</b>	1350-1750	<b>800-1300</b>	800-1350

### HIGH GROWNS TEAS

**MARKET : Irregular** and a firm to dearer trend in prices

**BOP** : Best Western's, declined by up to Rs.50/- per kg and more for select high-priced teas of last week. In the Below Best category, teas in the higher price bracket declined by Rs.20/- per kg, whilst the others together with teas at the lower end of the market were barely steady. Nuwara Eliya's too were barely steady. Uda Pussellawa's were Rs.20-40/- per kg easier for the limited availability. Uva's, where quality was maintained, priced were barely steady, whilst the others declined by Rs.20/- per kg.

**BOPF** : Best Western's, Select high-priced teas were sharply lower, whilst the others were firm and marginally easier. Teas in the Below Best category were firm and up to Rs.20/- per kg lower. At the lower end of the market the cleaner sorts declined by Rs.20-40/- per kg, whilst the poorer sorts declined to a lesser extent. Nuwara Eliya's were barely steady. Uda Pussellawa's were Rs.20-40/- per kg easier for the limited availability. Uva's were Rs.20 per kg lower.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BOP		BOPF	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
<b>Best Westerns</b>	<b>1320 - 1400</b>	1300 - 1500	<b>1340 - 1420</b>	1360 - 1420
<b>Below Best Westerns</b>	<b>1260 - 1300</b>	1220 - 1280	<b>1280 - 1320</b>	1300 - 1340
<b>Plainer Westerns</b>	<b>1180 - 1240</b>	1180 - 1200	<b>1180 - 1260</b>	1160 - 1280
<b>Nuwara Eliyas</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Brighter UdaPussellawas</b>	<b>1160 - 1180</b>	1220	<b>1180 - 1200</b>	1220 - 1280
<b>Other Uda Pussellawas</b>	<b>1120</b>	1180 - 1200	<b>1140 - 1160</b>	1160 - 1180
<b>Best Uva's</b>	<b>1200 - 1300</b>	1200 - 1240	<b>1220 - 1320</b>	1260 - 1300
<b>Other Uva's</b>	<b>1180</b>	N/A	<b>940 - 1020</b>	1000



## MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

**BOP** : Large Leaf teas sold reasonably well around last week's levels, whilst the others were Rs.20/- per kg lower.

**BOPF** : Better sorts were Rs.20-40/- per kg easier, whilst the poorer sorts were firm and dearer by a similar margin.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BOP		BOPF	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
<b>Best Westerns</b>	<b>890 - 1950</b>	920 - 1950	<b>880-1280</b>	<b>940-1300</b>

## CTC TEAS

### HIGH GROWN:-

**BP1** - Hardly any offerings

**PF1** - Generally firm.

### MEDIUM GROWN:-

**BP1** - Irregular.

**PF1** - Better sorts were firm and Rs.20/- per kg easier, whilst the others most often eased further.

### LOW GROWN:-

**BP1** - Hardly any offerings.

**PF1** - Firm and Rs.20/- per kg easier.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BP1		PF1	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
<b>High</b>	<b>N/A</b>	N/A	<b>1040 - 1180</b>	1040 - 1180
<b>Medium</b>	<b>800 - 860</b>	800 - 1080	<b>760 - 1160</b>	650 - 1180
<b>Low</b>	<b>1020 - 1440</b>	1020 - 1440	<b>640 - 1440</b>	660 - 1450

## OFF GRADES

**FGS/FGS1** : Select best liquoring FNGS/FNGS1's firm to lower Rs.20-40/- .Best types tended irregular. Low Grown select best FNGS/FNGS1's lost Rs.10-20/- per kg on last whilst others firm to lower Rs.10-20/- per kg. Select best BM's shed Rs.10-20/- per kg, others firm on last.

**BOP1A** : Select best BOP1A's were a little irregular. Best Teas firm on last whilst below best teas tended irregular. Poorer teas lost Rs.10-20/- 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)	920-1240	920-1250	800-870	800-870	810-870	830-870
Good Fannings (CTC)	820-840	820-840	720-770	720-770	750-820	750-820
Other Fannings (Orthodox)	740-750	740-750	760-800	760-800	700-800	700-800
Other Fannings (CTC)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Good BM's	820-880	820-880	800-920	820-920	790-930	820-940
Other BM's	630-760	630-760	650-780	630-780	640-790	630-800
Best BOP1As	740-820	750-820	810-860	810-860	1100-1350	1200-1500
Other BOP1As	700-760	720-780	700-760	720-780	700-780	720-790

## DUST

**DUST/DUST1** : High grown select best types maintained last levels whilst their secondaries and below best types were irregular and mostly lower. Mid grown teas declined Rs.50-100/- and more at times. Low grown tea too were lower on last levels.

**PD** : High grown declined Rs.30-40/-, whilst the Mid grown were Rs.40-60/- easier. Low grown were irregular and mostly a lower feature.

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 Dust1 (Orthodox)	840 - 1650	880 - 1650	820 - 1320	860 - 1300	870 - 960	820 - 1500
Good Primary PD (CTC)	830 - 1160	850 - 1260	820 - 1260	850 - 1240	830 - 1440	850 - 1340
Secondary Dust	820 - 1240	840 - 1280	800 - 920	830 - 1080	800 - 980	830 - 1340

**WESTERN MEDIUM**

*Harangalla	BOP	1950/-
*Galgewatta	BOP	1950/-
*Ancoombra	BOP	1900/-
Dartry Valley	BOP	1900/-
*Ancoombra	BOPSP	1600/-
Craighead	BOPSP	1500/-
*Hatale	BOPSP	1460/-
Rozelle	BOPF	1280/-
Vellai Oya	BOPF	1280/-
*Vellai Oya	BOPF	1260/-
*Galgewatta	BOPFSP	1340/-
Craighead	BOP1	2000/-
Nayapane	BOP1	1800/-
*Harangalla	BOP1	1700/-
Dartry Valley	BOP1	1700/-
Harangalla	FBOP/ FBOP1	2000/-
Craighead	FBOP/ FBOP1	1900/-
*Ancoombra	FBOP/ FBOP1	1850/-
*Ancoombra	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	1700/-
*Ancoombra	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	1650/-
Harangalla	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	1650/-
Dartry Valley	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	1650/-
*Hatale	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	1550/-
*Orange Field	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	1550/-
Dartry Valley	OP/OPA	1300/-
Harangalla	OP/OPA	1300/-
*Hatale	OP/OPA	1280/-
*Orange Field	OP/OPA	1260/-
Craighead	OP1	1700/-
*Harangalla	OP1	1550/-
Dartry Valley	OP1	1550/-
Madukelle	OP1	1550/-
*Galgewatta	PEK/PEK1	2000/-
*Harangalla	PEK/PEK1	1950/-
*Hatale	PEK/PEK1	1950/-
Dartry Valley	PEK/PEK1	1950/-
Craighead	PEK/PEK1	1950/-
*Ancoombra	PEK/PEK1	1900/-

**WESTERN HIGH**

*Fetteresso	BOP	1400/-
Ingestre	BOPSP	1550/-
Robgill	BOPF/BOPFSP	1420/-
Bambrakelly	BOP1	1380/-
Torrington	BOP1	1380/-
Queensberry	FBOP/ FBOP1	1550/-
Bambrakelly	FBOP/ FBOP1	1550/-
Queensberry	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	1500/-
Venture	OP/OPA	1280/-
Venture	OP1	1550/-
Bambrakelly	PEK/PEK1	1750/-

**NUWARA ELIYA**

Court Lodge	FBOP/ FBOP1	1220/-
Kenmare	OP/OPA	980/-
Court Lodge	OP1	1020/-

**UVA MEDIUM**

Demodera 'S'	BOP	1460/-
Dickwella	BOPSP	1460/-
Dickwella	BOPF/ BOPFSP	1500/-
Halpewatta Uva	BOP1	1550/-
Aruna Passara	FBOP/ FBOP1	1650/-
Blairlmond	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	1550/-
Halpewatta Uva	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	1550/-
Ambrosia Uva	OP/OPA	1360/-
Pettiagalla	OP1	1550/-
Blairlmond	OP1	1550/-
Dickwella	PEK/PEK1	1900/-

**UVA HIGH**

Ellathota Uva	BOP	1360/-
Aislaby	BOPSP	1480/-
Nayabedde	BOPF/ BOPFSP	1320/-
Mount Uva	BOP1	1460/-
Aislaby	FBOP/ FBOP1	1600/-
*Battawatte	FBOP/ FBOP1	1550/-
Uva Highlands	FBOP/ FBOP1	1550/-
Aislaby	FBOP/ FBOP1	1550/-
Needwood Super	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	1500/-
Ampittikande	OP/OPA	1220/-
Needwood Super	OP/OPA	1220/-
Needwood Super	OP1	1550/-
Ellathota Uva	OP1	1550/-
Aislaby	PEK/PEK1	1850/-
Needwood Super	PEK/PEK1	1850/-
Ranaya	PEK/PEK1	1850/-

**UDAPUSSELLAWA**

Mooloya	BOP	1180/-
Mooloya	BOPSP	1180/-
Brookside	BOPF/ BOPFSP	1200/-
Maha Uva	BOP1	1460/-
Delmar	FBOP/ FBOP1	1480/-
Delmar	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	1460/-
Maha Uva	OP/OPA	1180/-
Maha Uva	OP1	1480/-
Maha Uva	PEK/PEK1	1750/-

**OFF GRADES**

*Galgewatte	BP	1420/-
Suviska	BP	1300/-
*Aldora	BP	1240/-
*Kothmale Hills	BP	1240/-
Hingalgoda CTC	PF	1200/-
*Chandrika CTC	PF	1080/-
*Avisawella	BM	1080/-
Flcon Lanka	BM	1080/-
*Tea Lanka	BM	1060/-
Wattegodde	FNGS/ FNGS1	1280/-
Liyonta	BOP1A	1360/-
*Narangala Super	BOP1A	1320/-

**Dust**

Wattegodde	DUST	1240/-
Mattakelle	DUST1	1650/-
Ceciliyan CTC	PD	1440/-

**WESTERN HIGH**

*Florence CTC	PD	1160/-
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**LOW GROWN LEAFY GRADES**

Pothotuwa	BOP1	3000/-
*Makandura	BOP1	2900/-
Pothotuwa	OP1	3600/-
*Wattahena	OP	1900/-
Liyonta	OPA	2000/-
Lumbini	PEKOE	2500/-
*Makandura	PEKOE	2400/-
New Batuwangala	PEKOE1	2500/-

**LOW GROWN TIPPY GRADES**

Aruna	BOP	2250/-
*Andaradeniya S	BOP	2150/-
Stream Line	BOPSP	2100/-
Lellopitiya Super	BOPSP	2100/-
Rathmalgoda Super	BOPSP	2100/-
Kamarangapitiya	BOPSP	2050/-
*Andaradeniya S	BOPSP	2000/-
*KDU Super	BOPSP	2000/-
Rajjuruwatta Super	BOPF	2200/-
Parakaduwa Super	BOPF	1950/-
*Ganganee	BOPF	1700/-
H P P Tea	BOPFSP	2250/-
Galatara	FBOP	2700/-
Galatara	FBOP	2650/-
*Sithaka	FBOP	2500/-
Kiruwanganga	FBOP1	1900/-
*Sithaka	FBOP1	1850/-
Tea Bank	FBOP1	1850/-
Wathurawila	FBOP1	1850/-
*Navinda	FBOP1	1800/-
Stream Line	FBOPF	2550/-
*New Laksakanda	FBOPF	2450/-
*New Laksakanda	FBOPF	1950/-
Adams View	FBOPF1	1900/-
*Sithaka	FBOPF1	1850/-

**PREMIUM FLOWERY**

Aruna	FBOPFSP	5700/-
Muswenna	FBOPFSP	5200/-
*Makandura	FBOPFSP	4950/-
New Batuwangala	FBOPFEXSP	6350/-
Aruna	FBOPFEXSP1	5650/-
Kendalanda	FBOPFEXSP1	4900/-
*Andaradeniya S	FBOPFEXSP1	4500/-

**CTC TEAS****HIGH GROWN**

*Dunsinane CTC	PF1	1180/-
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**MEDIUM GROWN**

Deenside CTC	BP1	860/-
Donside CTC	BP1	860/-
New Peacock CTC	PF1	1160/-
*Carolina CTC	PF1	1140/-
*Rothschild CTC	PF1	1140/-
*New Peacock CTC	PF1	1140/-

**LOW GROWN**

Ceciliyan CTC	BP1	1440/-
Hingalgoda CTC	PF1	1440/-



## COLOMBO AUCTION – WEEKLY GROSS SALE AVERAGES

SALE NO.48 OF 16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2025

	2025			2024	
	Weekly	Month to Date	Year to Date	Weekly	Year to Date
Uva High Grown	1,130.14	1,129.94	1,047.75	1,063.40	1,097.90
Western High Grown	1,238.69	1,247.04	1,127.91	1,186.21	1,185.40
High Grown	1,201.50	1,207.64	1,102.18	1,149.88	1,157.25
Uva Medium	1,135.61	1,138.39	1,072.79	1,102.83	1,123.16
Western Medium	1,029.56	1,037.02	1,008.11	1,009.95	1,048.20
Medium Grown	1,067.94	1,070.72	1,028.43	1,039.95	1,072.88
Low Grown (Orthodox)	1,310.07	1,295.70	1,267.89	1,268.65	1,347.55
Combined L.G. (Orthodox + CTC)	1,290.43	1,266.74	1,251.10	1,251.43	1,324.89
Total	1,231.05	1,218.42	1,182.96	1,194.10	1,247.41

Private Sale Figures (10.12.2025 – 16.12.2025)

238,672.00

Cumulative

10,372,271.26

### DETAILS OF TEAS AWAITING SALE

#### SALE NO: 50

#### SALE NO: 01

Sale of 30<sup>th</sup> Dec. '25

Sale of 06<sup>th</sup> /07<sup>th</sup> Jan. '26

	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>
Low Grown Leafy	1,574	602,183	2,229	847,656
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,144	464,025	1,679	699,651
Low Grown Tippy	1,372	620,735	2,114	960,328
High & Medium	1,324	574,804	1,488	635,247
Off Grade/BOP1A	1,471	755,715	2,780	1,451,497
Dust	448	375,366	489	421,024
Premium Flowery	402	51,610	380	52,489
Ex-Estate	<u>775</u>	<u>756,978</u>	<u>756</u>	<u>726,992</u>
Total	<u>8,510</u>	<u>4,201,416</u>	<u>11,915</u>	<u>5,794,884</u>

## **FUTURE CATALOGUES CLOSURE**

### **Sale No.03 of 20<sup>th</sup> (Tue.)/21<sup>st</sup> (Wed.) January, 2026**

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Friday, 02<sup>nd</sup> January, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

### **Sale No.04 of 27<sup>th</sup> (Tue.)/28<sup>th</sup> (Wed.) January, 2026**

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Thursday, 08<sup>th</sup> January, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

### **Sale No.05 of 02<sup>nd</sup> (Mon.)/03<sup>rd</sup> (Tue.) February, 2026**

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

## **SALE NO. 50**

## **AUCTION OF 30<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2025**

## **BROKERS' SELLING ORDER**

<b><u>Leafy/Semi Leafy/Tippy/ BOP1A/ Premium Flowery</u></b>	<b><u>High &amp; Medium/ Off Grades/Dust</u></b>	<b><u>Ex-Estate</u></b>
1. Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	1. <b>Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd</b>	1. Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
2. Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	2. Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC	2. <b>Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd</b>
3. Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd	3. Eastern Brokers PLC	3. Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC
4. Eastern Brokers PLC	4. John Keells PLC	4. Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd
5. Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC	5. Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC	5. John Keells PLC
6. John Keells PLC	6. Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	6. Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
7. Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC	7. Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	7. Eastern Brokers PLC
8. <b>Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd</b>	8. Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd	8. Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC

## Crop & Weather

**For the period 17<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2025**

### Western/Nuwara Eliya Regions

The Western and Nuwara Eliya regions reported bright mornings and occasional evening showers throughout the week. Intermittent showers are expected in both regions in the week ahead according to the Department of Meteorology.

### Uva/Uda Pussellawa Regions

Both regions reported rain throughout the week. According to the Department of Meteorology, heavy showers are expected in both regions in the week ahead.

### Low Grown

The Low Grown Region reported bright mornings and evening showers throughout the week. The Department of Meteorology expects fairly heavy showers in the Low Grown Region in the week ahead.

### Crop Intake

All regions reported a decrease in the crop intake.

## WORLD CROP STATISTICS (MKGS)

<i>Country</i>	<i>Month</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>2025</i>	<i>Difference +/-</i>	<i>To-date 2024</i>	<i>To-date 2025</i>	<i>Difference +/-</i>
BANGLADESH	Oct.	14.92	14.62	-0.3	76.68	75.53	-1.2
KENYA	Aug.	36.87	38.62	1.8	402.79	359.16	-43.6
MALAWI	Aug.	1.60	1.40	-0.2	36.40	34.40	-2.0
NORTH INDIA	Sep.	147.00	138.60	-8.4	754.40	794.90	40.5
SOUTH INDIA	Sep.	23.00	21.30	-1.7	164.40	174.60	10.2
<b>SRI LANKA</b>	<b>Oct.</b>	<b>21.30</b>	<b>21.80</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>218.10</b>	<b>220.90</b>	<b>2.8</b>

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## HOLIDAY NOTICE

Our Head-Office will be closed for business on

Wednesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025      - Half Day

Our Head-Office & Warehouse/Sample Room will be closed for business on the following days:-

Thursday,              December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025              - Full Day

Friday,                  December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025              - Full Day

# **OTHER MARKETS**

## **LIMBE MARKET REPORT SALE 52 HELD ON 23/12/2025**

There was less enquiry for the small quantity on offer of 1760 packages.

BP1/D1 - N/A.

PF1/PD/PF1SC were all taken out without bid

Secondaries were firm on last where sold.

## **WEATHER/CROP FOR THE WEEK ENDING 21 DECEMBER, 2025**

Useful rainfall were reported in the tea growing districts of Thyolo and Mulanje throughout the week.

Green leaf intakes were high.

## BANGLADESH AUCTION

### **SALE NO. 33 OF MONDAY, 22<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER, 2025**

**CTC LEAF:** 52,656 packages of tea on offer met with a strong demand.

**BROKENS:** Well made good liquoring small Brokens were a strong market and were about steady but larger varieties met with less demand with fair withdrawals. Medium varieties were a good market and sold at around last levels. Plainer types met with good demand but were slightly easier. BLF teas met with good demand at around last levels.

**FANNINGS :** Well made good liquoring Fannings continued to be a strong feature of the market and prices were mostly firm to occasionally dearer following competition. Medium and plainer varieties were a good market and sold at around last levels and were occasionally easier. BLF teas met with good demand at around last levels.

**DUST:** 11,715 packages of tea on offer met with good demand. Good liquoring Dusts attracted good competition and were fully firm to slightly dearer. Their Mediums also sold well at around last levels. Plain/BLF Dusts met with a dearer market with hardly any withdrawals. Blenders lent good support with fair interest from the Loose tea buyers.

**COMMENTS:** Market witnessed a strong demand for the best varieties mainly emanating from the Blenders and the competition resulted in price appreciation. Loose tea buyers were a little less active particularly towards the end of the sale. CDs were an easier market.

### **Quotations – This Week – (In Taka)**

<b>Brokens</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Last Week</b>	<b>Fannings</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Last Week</b>	<b>Dust</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Last Week</b>
<b>Best</b>	<b>270-282</b>	275-285	<b>Best</b>	<b>275-290</b>	277-287	<b>PD</b>	<b>270-310</b>	252-328
<b>Good</b>	<b>260-270</b>	262-272	<b>Good</b>	<b>262-272</b>	265-275	<b>RD</b>	<b>245-345</b>	245-354
<b>Medium</b>	<b>255-260</b>	255-260	<b>Medium</b>	<b>255-260</b>	255-260	<b>D</b>	<b>259-332</b>	245-370
<b>Plain</b>	<b>245-250</b>	245-250	<b>Plain</b>	<b>245-250</b>	245-250	<b>CD</b>	<b>255-314</b>	254-300
<b>BLF</b>	<b>238-251</b>	240-247	<b>BLF</b>	<b>238-250</b>	240-254	<b>BLF</b>	<b>245-255</b>	145-270

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## **SOUTH INDIAN ROUNDUP**

**FOR THE WEEK ENDING – 20<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2025**

### **KOCHI**

#### **CTC LEAF**

**Demand :** Fair Demand: All grades sold barely at steady levels.

#### **ORTHODOX LEAF**

**Demand :** Good Demand.

**Buying Pattern :** High grown and Cleaner blacker whole leaves sold irregularly around last levels, other whole leaves were easier by Rs.8 to 10. Primary brokenes were steady to dearer and Secondary brokenes and fannings fetched prices lower by Rs.3 to 4/-.

**Market :** CIS & Middle East Buyers operated.

#### **DUST**

**Demand :** Good demand.

**Buying Pattern :** Popular marks and good mediums traded firmly to dearer by Rs.2 to 3 driven by strong demand from major blenders. Plainer sort bolder grades fetched prices around last levels, however the finer grades have appreciated in value by Rs.1 to 2 and sometimes more.

**Market :** Major Packeteers and exporters were active, internal buyers had lent useful support.

### **COONOOR**

#### **CTC LEAF**

**Demand :** Good.

**Market :** Generally the market witnessed a steady to firm and occasionally dearer levels on the Brighter liquoring teas along with smaller brokenes and on the cleaner fannings. The Larger brokenes across all categories have had less demand and suffered fair to heavy withdrawals.

**The overall sale percentage was 76% at an average of Rs.110.91.**

**Buying Pattern:** Major Blenders and Packeteers were the main stay with fair Internal participation. Export was rendering some useful support.

#### **ORTH LEAF**

**Demand :** Fairly good.

**Market :** An easier market with teas across all grades and categories dropping by Rs. 3/- to Rs.5/- and upto Rs.10/-. The sale had also witnessed fair amount of withdrawals mainly on the dis-coloured and fibrous teas.

**The overall sale percentage was 74% at an average of Rs.140.67.**

**Buying Pattern:** Strong Export enquiry was forthcoming with select Internal participation.

**CTC DUST****Demand :** Good.**Market :** Opened with an easier trend and as the sale progressed the Brighter liquoring teas along with the Smaller dust grades were firmed up and sold at dearer levels at times. The sale had witnessed fair withdrawals yet again on the browner, flaky and fibrous teas.**The overall sale percentage was 81% at an average of Rs.118.55.****Buying Pattern:** Fairly good export enquiry was forthcoming with Packeteers lending equal support. Internal was rather selective and price cautious. Yet again Anjaneya Enterprises operated on the High-priced brighter liquoring teas. An improved participation by A.V. Thomas on the mediums was welcome sign.**ORTH DUST****Demand :** Good.**Market:** Market was rather firm to dearer on the Primary popular dust grades. The Secondaries suffered outlots without any bids whilst the Tertiaries were trading steady to occasionally dearer levels.**The overall sale percentage was 79% at an average of Rs.112.59.****Buying Pattern:** Fair Export operation was witnessed with the Internal buyers supporting equally well.**COIMBATORE****CTC LEAF****Demand :** Good general demand.**Market :** Better medium and popular marks were dearer by Rs.2/- to Rs.4/- sometimes more. Medium teas were firm to dearer by Rs.2/- sometimes more on BOPF's. Plainer teas were irregular and lower by Rs.2/- to Rs.3/-.**Buying Pattern :** Blenders and packeteers were active. Exporters and internal were selective.**ORTH LEAF****Demand :** Fair demand.**Market :** Medium brokenes were firm to occasionally dearer with some withdrawals. BOPF's were lower with some withdrawals. Others not quotable**Buying Pattern :** Exporters were active.**CTC DUST****Demand :** Good demand.**Market :** Better medium and popular marks were dearer by Rs.2/- to Rs.3/- sometimes more on finer grades. Medium teas were irregular and dearer, as sale progressed the finer grades were dearer by Rs.5/- to Rs.10/- sometimes more. Plainer teas were barely steady.**Buying Pattern :** Blenders, packeteers and internal were active. Exporters were selective.**ORTH DUST****Demand :** Fair demand.**Market :** Barely steady with some withdrawals.**Buying Pattern :** Exporters were selective.

## MOMBASA TEA AUCTION MARKET REPORT

### Sale No.50 of 15<sup>TH</sup> & 16<sup>TH</sup> & 17<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2025

The final auction for the year 2025 saw good general demand for the 156,440 packages (10,227,555.00 kilos) available in the market; 15.02% remained unsold.

#### MARKET:

**Pakistan Packers, Yemen and other Middle Eastern countries** were strong with maintained enquiry from **Kazakhstan and other CIS states. Afghanistan and Bazar** lent more support with strong absorption from **Egyptian Packers. UK** were more active with selective support from **Russia and South Sudan; Sudan** were absent. **Local Packers** were less active while **Somalia** continued active at the lower end of the market.

#### OFFERINGS :

Orthodox Grades - 7,080 packages ( 270,486.00 kilos) - 54.66% unsold.  
 Leaf Grades - 73,560 packages (4,840,723.00 kilos) - 15.39% unsold.  
 Dust Grades - 53,840 packages (3,998,832.00 kilos) - 9.18% unsold.  
 Secondary Grades - 21,960 packages (1,117,514.00 kilos) - 15.30% unsold.

#### LEAF GRADES (M2 & M3)

##### **BP1:**

**Best :** Mostly gained by up to USC24 but some lines were discounted by up to USC7.

**Brighter:** Saw irregular interest and varied between USC10 above previous levels to USC16 easier.

**Mediums:** KTDA mediums were mostly well absorbed at USC22 dearer though some invoices shed up to USC7. Plantation mediums met irregular but strong enquiry with some teas advancing by up to USC51 while others were easier by up to USC13.

**Lower Medium:** Appreciated by up to USC19.

**Plainer:** Were steady to USC7 dearer to easier by up to USC9.

##### **PF1:**

**Best :** Were dearer by up to USC24.

**Brighter :** Appreciated by up to USC14.

**Mediums :** KTDA mediums met strong interest advancing by up to USC26 while plantation mediums gained by up to USC10.

**Lower Medium :** Mostly dearer by up to USC16 but a few lines eased by up to USC9.

**Plainer :** Irregularly gained by up to USC20.

CTC QUOTATIONS	BP1 – USC	PF1 – USC
Best	250 – 464	300 – 390
Good	262 – 332	324– 349
Good Medium	220 – 278	322– 339
Medium (KTDA)	165 – 220	249 – 300
Medium (Plantations)	170 – 260	202 – 235
Lower Medium	132 – 179	145– 210
Plainer	088– 115	100– 167

**DUST GRADES (M1)****PDUST:**

**Best:** Were dearer by up to USC32.

**Brighter:** Advanced by up to USC42.

**Mediums:** KTDA mediums gained by up to USC17 with select teas up to USC10 below previous levels while plantation mediums were dearer by up to USC22.

**Lower Medium:** Appreciated by up to USC19.

**Plainer:** Saw irregular enquiry ranging between USC12 dearer to easier by up to USC6.

**DUST1:**

**Best:** Mostly dearer by up to USC24 but select lines lost up to USC2.

**Brighter:** Gained by up to USC28.

**Mediums:** KTDA mediums were irregular and varied between firm to USC20 dearer to USC10 below last levels. Plantation mediums were up to USC12 dearer.

**Lower Medium:** Sold up to USC9 above previous rates.

**Plainer:** Advanced by up to USC12.

<b>CTC QUOTATIONS</b>	<b>PDUST1 – USC</b>	<b>DUST1 – USC</b>
<b>Best</b>	315 – 359	310 – 364
<b>Good</b>	304– 362	290 – 354
<b>Good Medium</b>	250– 358	280– 339
<b>Medium (KTDA)</b>	170 – 232	170 – 284
<b>Medium (Plantations)</b>	180 – 214	160– 212
<b>Lower Medium</b>	134 –189	141 – 161
<b>Plainer</b>	090 – 132	090 – 132

**SECONDARY GRADES(S1)**

In the Secondary Catalogues, **BPs** were irregular with best types dearer while **PFs** held value. Clean well sorted coloury **Fannings** were dearer while **similar DUSTs** were firm. **Other Fannings** were steady to dearer with **DUSTs** selling at previous rates. **BMFs** were well absorbed.

<b>SECONDARY QUOTATIONS (USC)</b>	<b>BP / BP2</b>	<b>PF / PF2</b>	<b>FNGS1 / FNGS</b>	<b>DUST / DUST2</b>	<b>BMF</b>
<b>Best / Good</b>	230 – 375	215 – 243	158 – 242	134 – 263	-
<b>Good Medium / Medium</b>	-	-	144– 192	126 – 192	-
<b>Lower Medium</b>	120 – 164	117 – 151	106 – 148	090– 148	104 – 115
<b>Plainer</b>	088 – 129	090 – 130	088– 100	085 – 117	086 – 106

**December 23, 2025**

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## TEA NEWS

### Tea export earnings rise 13% YoY to \$ 1.4 b in first 11 months



Sri Lanka earned an estimated \$ 1.4 billion from tea exports in the 11 months to November 2025, according to Sri Lanka Customs data analysed by Forbes & Walker Research.

The earnings were 13% higher than in the corresponding period of last year of \$ 1.3 billion, supported by increased cumulative export volumes, despite a marginal decline in average Free On Board (FOB) values in rupee terms.

Tea exports in November 2025 totalled 19.36 million kilos (Mnkg), down 0.71 Mnkg from 20.07 Mnkg in November 2024. Bulk Tea, Tea Packets and Tea Bags recorded year-on-year (YoY) declines during the month, while Instant Tea and Green Tea posted gains.

The average FOB value in November rose to Rs.1,768.82 per kg, up Rs.49.94 from a year earlier. In dollar terms, however, the FOB value declined by \$ 0.12 to \$ 5.77 per kg, reflecting exchange rate movements.

For the January-November 2025 period, cumulative tea exports increased to 239.57 Mnkg, a gain of 16.35 Mnkg compared to 223.22 Mnkg in the same period of 2024. All major segments except Bulk Tea recorded positive volume variances.

The cumulative FOB value for the 11 months averaged Rs.1,755.45 per kg, down Rs.14.48 from last year, while in dollar terms, the average edged up by \$ 0.01 to \$ 5.85 per kg. On this basis, total export earnings are estimated at approximately \$ 1.40 billion.

Iraq remained the leading buyer of Ceylon Tea during the January-November period, importing 36.77 Mnkg, up 21% YoY. Russia ranked second with 19.94 Mnkg despite a 13% decline, followed closely by Türkiye at 19.89 Mnkg, a 21% increase.

Libya recorded a sharp expansion to 18.30 Mnkg, more than double last year's volume, while the United Arab Emirates, Chile, Iran, China, Azerbaijan, and Saudi Arabia completed the list of major destinations.

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