

TEA MARKET REPORT

SALE NO: 50

December 30, 2025



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COMMENTS

This week's Tea Auction, namely Sale #50 was held on December 30 (Tue), 2025. A total weight of 4.2 MKGS was on offer, which shows a decrease when compared to the previous week. The Low Grown Leafy, Semi Leafy, Tippy/Small Leaf & Premium Flowery catalogues totaled 1.7 MKGS, while the Main Sale High & Medium segment had 0.6 MKGS. The Ex Estate category had 0.8 MKGS.

The final sale for 2025 was a One-day auction which was held today which met with less overall demand with prices declining sharply and witnessed many out lots due to less buyer participation. But Western BOP's/BOPF's declined up to Rs.100/- per kg and more for high priced teas of last week whilst below best teas too lost Rs.20-40/- per kg and more. Lower end teas too eased Rs.20/- per kg on average. Nuwara Eliya BOP's sold around last levels whilst their BOPF's were barely steady. Uva/Udapussellawa BOP's/BOPF's declined by Rs.20-40/- per kg. CTC Teas- PF1's from all elevations were Rs.20-40/- per kg easier whilst there were hardly any BP1's on offer. The limited selection of buyers who were operative were very selective in their purchases.

Low Grown teas met with fair demand and were sold mostly around last levels with the exception of the lower end teas, which saw irregular demand following quality. Bright tippy teas too sold well at firmer levels whilst lower end teas tended irregular. There was widespread inquiry from most traditional buyers.

Sale No.01 of 2026 will be held on 6th/7th January, 2026.

We take this opportunity of wishing our valued clients ***"A Bright & Prosperous 2026!"***

This week's auction comprised of **8,510** lots with a total quantity of **4,201,416** Kgs.

In Lighter Vein

******Little Johnny -*-***

The catalogue wise breakdown was as follows:-

	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>	
Low Grown Leafy	1,574	602,183	Everyone was seated around the table as the food was being served. When little Johnny received his plate, he started eating straight away.
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,144	464,025	
Low Grown Tippy	1,372	620,735	"Jonny, wait until we've said our prayer," his mother reminded him.
High & Medium	1,324	574,804	"I don't have to." – the little boy replied.
Off Grade/BOP1A	1,471	755,715	
Dust	448	375,366	"Of course you do." – his mother insisted. "We say a prayer before eating at our house."
Premium Flowery	402	51,610	"That's at our house," Johnny explained, "but this is Grandma's house and she knows how to cook."
Ex-Estate	<u>775</u>	<u>756,978</u>	
Total	<u>8,510</u>	<u>4,201,416</u>	

LOW GROWN TEAS

LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY

BOP1 : Select best and best BOP1's declined by Rs.100/- per kg. However below best and secondary types firm on last week levels.

OP1 : Wiry types were irregularly lower. Best and below best types too declined further. Secondary types appreciated by Rs.50/- per kg.

OP : Generally lower.

OPA : Generally lower.

PEK/PEK1 : Well-made PEK's maintained on last week levels and the balance too declined by Rs.50/- per kg. Shotty PEK1's too declined by Rs.100/- per kg and the balance were irregular to lower.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)		BOP1	OP1	OP	OPA	PEK/PEK1
SELECT BEST	This Week	2000-3000	1900-3600	1300-1750	1350-2100	1900-2700
	Last Week	2100-3000	2200-3600	1350-1900	1450-2000	2000-2500
BEST	This Week	1600-1950	1550-1850	1100-1250	1200-1300	1600-1850
	Last Week	1700-2050	1650-2150	1150-1300	1250-1400	1700-1950
BELOW BEST	This Week	1350-1550	1300-1500	900-1050	1000-1150	1300-1550
	Last Week	1350-1650	1350-1600	950-1100	1050-1200	1350-1700
SECONDARIES	This Week	1100-1300	1000-1250	800-850	800-950	1000-1250
	Last Week	1100-1300	1000-1300	800-900	800-1000	1050-1300
POOR	This Week	800-1050	600-950	500-750	500-750	800-950
	Last Week	800-1050	650-950	500-750	550-750	850-1000

TIPPY/SMALL LEAF

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

BOPF/BOPFSP : In general sold around last levels.

FBOP/FBOP1 : Select best FBOP's together with Best and below best sold around last levels. Others were irregular following quality. FBOP1's in general were firm.

FBOPF/FBOPF1 : Well-made FBOPF1's were firm, whilst the others were irregularly easier. FBOPF's in general were firm.

FBOPFSP : Very Tippy teas together with the best varieties were sold around last levels, below best together with the teas at the lower end were irregular.

FFEXSP/SP1 : Leafier varieties declined.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)		BOP/ BOPSP	BOPF/ BOPFSP	FBOP/ FBOP1	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	FBOPFSP/ FBOPFEXSP
SELECT BEST	This Week	1900-2250	1400-1700	2200-2500	1650-2000	5700-6200
	Last Week	2050-2250	1650-2200	2200-2700	1650-2550	5200-6350
BEST	This Week	1600-1800	1230-1380	1650-1850	1450-1600	3600-4500
	Last Week	1650-1850	1420-1600	1650-1850	1450-1600	3750-4850
BELOW BEST	This Week	1300-1550	1220-1260	1420-1600	1370-1440	2100-3400
	Last Week	1360-1550	1280-1400	1420-1600	1320-1430	2500-3600
SECONDARIES	This Week	1060-1320	980-1000	1220-1360	1180-1320	1440-1800
	Last Week	1080-1340	1070-1250	1220-1380	1180-1300	1460-1850
POOR	This Week	880-1040	800-850	940-1140	890-1100	1000-1300
	Last Week	890-1040	850-960	960-1140	890-1080	1000-1360

MEDIUM GROWN LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY TEAS

FBOP : Well-made FBOP's were firm and irregular at times more. Below best types met with fair demand. Teas at the lower end tended irregular.

FBOPF/FBOPF1 : Well-made FBOPF1's tended a little easier. Below best types were firm to dearer. At the lower end teas declined Rs.10-20/- per kg as the sale progressed.

PEK/PEK1 : Shotty PEK/PEK1's at times lost Rs.50/- per kg and more. Below best and mixed varieties too were firm and irregular at times more. Teas at the lower end declined Rs.20-30/- per kg.

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>
FBOP	1400-2000	1450-2000	1350-1400	1340-1450	850-1350	850-1380
FBOPF/FBOPF1	1500-1650	1550-1700	1250-1500	1300-1500	850 -1250	880 -1260
PEK/PEK1	1700-1950	1750-2000	1280-1700	1320-1700	800-1280	800-1300

HIGH GROWNS TEAS

MARKET : Easier

BOP : Best Western's declined by up to Rs.100/- 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.20-40/- per kg, whilst the others together with the Plainer sorts were firm and lower to a lesser extent. Nuwara Eliya's sold around last. Uva/Uda Pussellawa's were Rs.20-40/- per kg easier.

BOPF : Best Western's declined by up to Rs.100/- per kg and more. In the Below Best category, teas in the higher-price bracket declined by Rs.60-80/- per kg, whilst the others together with teas at the lower end of the market were firm and Rs.20-40/- per kg easier in most instances. Nuwara Eliya's were barely steady. Uda Pussellawa's declined by Rs.20/- per kg, on average. Uva's declined by Rs.20-40/- per kg and more following quality.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BOP		BOPF	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Best Westerns	1260 - 1360	1320 - 1400	1260 - 1320	1340 - 1420
Below Best Westerns	1200 - 1240	1260 - 1300	1220 - 1240	1280 - 1320
Plainer Westerns	1100 - 1180	1180 - 1240	1120 - 1200	1180 - 1260
Nuwara Eliyas	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Brighter UdaPussellawas	1120 - 1140	1160 - 1180	1160 - 1200	1180 - 1200
Other Uda Pussellawas	1100	1120	1100 - 1140	1140 - 1160
Best Uva's	1160 - 1220	1200 - 1300	1160 - 1220	1220 - 1320
Other Uva's	N/A	1180	980 - 1000	940 - 1020

MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

BOP : Large Leaf teas were irregular and easier, whilst the others were Rs.20-40/- per kg lower.

BOPF : Better sorts were Rs.20-40/- per kg easier, whilst the others were irregular.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BOP		BOPF	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Best Westerns	1140 - 1440	890 - 1950	850-1220	880-1280

CTC TEAS

HIGH GROWN:-

BP1 - Hardly any offerings

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

MEDIUM GROWN:-

BP1 - Irregular.

PF1 - Better sorts declined by Rs.20-40/- per kg, whilst the others were irregular with increased volumes of unsold teas.

LOW GROWN:-

BP1 - Rs.50/- per kg easier.

PF1 - Firm and Rs.20/- per kg easier, on average.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BP1		PF1	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
High	N/A	N/A	1040 - 1140	1040 - 1180
Medium	800 - 810	800 - 860	810 - 1140	760 - 1160
Low	830 - 1180	1020 - 1440	650 - 1400	640 - 1440

OFF GRADES

FGS/FGS1 : Select best liquoring FNGS/FNGS1's firm to lower Rs.75-100/- .Best types tended irregular.

Low Grown select best FNGS/FNGS1's lost Rs.20/- per kg on last whilst others firm to lower Rs.10-20/- per kg. Select best BM's advanced Rs.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.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)	920-1150	920-1240	800-860	800-870	800-870	810-870
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	800-920	800-950	790-930
Other BM's	630-740	630-760	650-760	650-780	630-770	640-790
Best BOP1As	730-820	740-820	810-860	810-860	1100-1350	1100-1350
Other BOP1As	680-730	700-760	670-730	700-760	660-730	700-780

DUST

DUST/DUST1 : High grown select best types were firm to dearer by Rs.30-50/- per kg, whilst their secondaries and below best types were irregularly lower by Rs.20-30/- per kg. Mid Grown teas maintained last levels whilst the Low Grown were Rs.50-60/- per kg easier.

PD : High grown maintained last levels, whilst Mid grown were irregular and mostly lower. Low Grown were firm to dearer

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 - 1700	840 - 1650	830 - 1260	820 - 1320	820 - 1420	870 - 960
Good Primary PD (CTC)	840 - 1140	830 - 1160	840 - 1240	820 - 1260	810 - 1460	830 - 1440
Secondary Dust	830 - 1300	820 - 1240	820 - 1120	800 - 920	780 - 900	800 - 980

WESTERN MEDIUM

Doombagastalawa	BOP	1440/-
Doombagastalawa	BOPSP	1180/-
Vellai Oya	BOPF	1220/-
*Vellai Oya	BOPF	1200/-
*Harangalla	BOP1	1700/-
Nayapane	BOP1	1700/-
Craighead	FBOP/FBOP1	2000/-
*Harangalla	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	1650/-
Dartry Valley	OP/OPA	1240/-
*Meezan	OP/OPA	1220/-
New Rothschild	OP/OPA	1220/-
*Galgewatta	OP1	1800/-
*Galgewatta	PEK/PEK1	1950/-
*Meezan	PEK/PEK1	1850/-
Dartry Valley	PEK/PEK1	1850/-

WESTERN HIGH

Inverness	BOP	1480/-
Ingestre	BOPSP	1550/-
Somerset	BOPF/BOPFSP	1320/-
Wattegodde	BOPF/BOPFSP	1320/-
Noorwood	BOPF/BOPFSP	1320/-
Inverness	BOP1	2250/-
Bambrakelly	FBOP/FBOP1	1550/-
Queensberry	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1480/-
Cymru	OP/OPA	1280/-
Venture	OP1	1480/-
ST.Andrews	OP1	1480/-
Wattegodde	PEK/PEK1	1750/-
Cymru	PEK/PEK1	1750/-

NUWARA ELIYA

Court Lodge	BOP	1040/-
Kenmare	FBOP/FBOP1	1240/-
Kenmare	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1280/-
Kenmare	OP/OPA	980/-
Court Lodge	PEK/PEK1	1180/-

CTC TEAS**HIGH GROWN**

*Dunsinane CTC	PF1	1140/-
Florence CTC	PF1	1140/-
Mount Vernon CTC	PF1	1140/-

MEDIUM GROWN

Donside CTC	BP1	810/-
New Peacock CTC	PF1	1140/-
Duckwari CTC	PF1	1140/-

LOW GROWN

Suduwelipothahena CTC	BP1	1180/-
Liyonta CTC	PF1	1400/-

UVA MEDIUM

Dickwella	BOP	1460/-
Hindagala	BOPSP	1380/-
Dickwella	BOPF/BOPFSP	1500/-
Aruna Passara	BOP1	1550/-
Wewesse	FBOP/FBOP1	1650/-
Blairlmond	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1480/-
High Spring	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1480/-
*Roseland Uva	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1460/-
Wewesse	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1460/-
Aruna Keppetipola	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1460/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1460/-
Dickwella	OP/OPA	1300/-
Wewesse	OP1	1500/-
Aruna Passara	PEK/PEK1	1800/-
*Roseland Uva	PEK/PEK1	1750/-
Aruna Keppetipola	PEK/PEK1	1750/-

UVA HIGH

Mount Uva	BOP	1300/-
Aislaby	BOPSP	1460/-
Nayabedde	BOPF/BOPFSP	1240/-
Aislaby	BOP1	1550/-
Craig	FBOP/FBOP1	1550/-
Aislaby	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1500/-
Aislaby	OP/OPA	1240/-
Ranaya	OP1	1600/-
Ranaya	PEK/PEK1	1800/-

UDAPUSSELLAWA

*Mooloya	BOP	1140/-
High Forest	BOP	1140/-
Liddesdale	BOP	1140/-
Kirklees	BOPSP	1000/-
*Mooloya	BOPF/BOPFSP	1240/-
Delmar	FBOP/FBOP1	1800/-
Maha Uva	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1460/-
Maha Uva	OP/OPA	1140/-
Delmar	OP1	1420/-
Gonapitiya	PEK/PEK1	1650/-

OFF GRADES

Suviska	BP	1340/-
Chandrika CTC	PF	1100/-
*Chandrika CTC	PF	1000/-
Rajjuruwatta Super	BM	1420/-
Gouravilla	FNGS/FNGS1	1220/-
*Aldora	BOP1A	1400/-

LOW GROWN LEAFY GRADES

Pothotuwa	BOP1	3000/-
*Makandura	OP1	3600/-
Pothotuwa	OP1	3600/-
Lions	OP1	3600/-
Miriswatta	OP	1750/-
*Wattahena	OP	1650/-
Rotumba	OPA	2100/-
Liyonta	PEKOE	2700/-
*New Laksakanda	PEKOE1	2400/-
Mulatiyana Hills	PEKOE1	2400/-

LOW GROWN TIPPY GRADES

*New Laksakanda	BOP	2250/-
*Andaradeniya S	BOP	2150/-
*Mahaliyadda	BOP	2100/-
*Elaine Super	BOPSP	2300/-
Lellopitiya Super	BOPSP	1900/-
*Andaradeniya S	BOPSP	1850/-
Rajjuruwatta Super	BOPF	1950/-
Mulatiyana Hills	BOPFSP	1480/-
*Wattahena	BOPFSP	1460/-
Galatara	FBOP	2500/-
Kiruwanaaganga	FBOP1	1950/-
*Sithaka	FBOP1	1900/-
*Hedigalla	FBOPF	1950/-
*New Laksakanda	FBOPF	1850/-
Lumbini	FBOPF1	2000/-

PREMIUM FLOWERY

Rasa	FBOPFSP	6200/-
Aruna	FBOPFSP	6000/-
*Ancoombra	FBOPFSP	5500/-
*Sithaka	FBOPFEXSP	6100/-
Kings Bru	FBOPFEXSP1	4550/-

Dust

Wattegodde	DUST	1300/-
Mattakelle	DUST1	1700/-
Great Western	DUST1	1700/-
Cecilayan CTC	PD	1460/-

COLOMBO AUCTION – WEEKLY GROSS SALE AVERAGES

SALE NO.49 OF 23RD DECEMBER, 2025

	2025			2024	
	Weekly	Month to Date	Year to Date	Weekly	Year to Date
Uva High Grown	1,121.17	1,127.49	1,049.19	1,094.24	1,097.83
Western High Grown	1,219.92	1,239.99	1,129.78	1,166.39	1,184.99
High Grown	1,189.01	1,203.35	1,103.93	1,144.22	1,156.98
Uva Medium	1,065.54	1,112.08	1,072.60	1,096.67	1,122.47
Western Medium	1,057.55	1,045.85	1,009.06	1,017.63	1,047.49
Medium Grown	1,060.70	1,068.88	1,029.13	1,045.39	1,072.21
Low Grown (Orthodox)	1,306.88	1,299.39	1,268.66	1,306.31	1,346.59
Combined L.G. (Orthodox + CTC)	1,285.88	1,271.38	1,251.80	1,291.32	1,324.12
Total	1,224.69	1,219.58	1,183.81	1,218.13	1,246.74

Private Sale Figures (17.12.2025 – 23.12.2025)

203,558.50

Cumulative

10,575,829.76

DETAILS OF TEAS AWAITING SALE

SALE NO: 01- 2026

Sale of 06th /07th Jan. '26

Lots Qty. (Kgs)

Low Grown Leafy 2,229 847,656

Low Grown Semi Leafy 1,679 699,651

Low Grown Tippy 2,114 960,328

High & Medium 1,488 635,247

Off Grade/BOP1A 2,780 1,451,497

Dust 489 421,024

Premium Flowery 380 52,489

Ex-Estate 756 726,992

Total 11,915 5,794,884

SALE NO: 02 - 2026

Sale of 12th /13th Jan. '26

Lots Qty. (Kgs)

2,117 794,803

1,561 646,957

2,016 929,335

1,581 667,214

2,409 1,261,546

545 462,576

402 55,080

773 737,144

11,404 5,554,655

FUTURE CATALOGUES CLOSURE

Sale No.04 of 27th (Tue.)/28th (Wed.) January, 2026

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

Sale No.05 of 02nd (Mon.)/03rd (Tue.) February, 2026

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

Sale No.06 of 10th (Tue.)/11th (Wed.) February, 2026

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Thursday, 22nd January, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

SALE NO. 01

AUCTION OF 06TH /07TH JANUARY, 2026

BROKERS' SELLING ORDER

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

Crop & Weather

For the period 23rd to 30th December, 2025

Western/Nuwara Eliya Regions

Both regions reported bright weather throughout the week. According to the Department of Meteorology, intermittent showers are expected in the Western and Nuwara Eliya regions in the week ahead.

Uva/Uda Pussellawa Regions

The Uva and Uda Pussellawa regions reported bright mornings and occasional evening showers throughout the week. Showers are expected in both regions in the week ahead according to the Department of Meteorology.

Low Grown

Sunny weather was reported in the Low Grown Region throughout the week. The Department of Meteorology expects rain 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	Sep.	42.41	48.30	5.9	445.17	401.68	-43.5
MALAWI	Aug.	1.60	1.40	-0.2	36.40	34.40	-2.0
NORTH INDIA	Oct.	174.40	142.07	-32.3	923.40	938.90	15.5
SOUTH INDIA	Oct.	24.20	19.86	-4.3	188.70	194.50	5.8
SRI LANKA	Nov.	22.72	21.44	-1.3	240.88	242.57	1.7

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OTHER MARKETS

BANGLADESH AUCTION

SALE NO. 34 OF MONDAY, 29th DECEMBER, 2025

CTC LEAF: 48,483 packages of tea on offer met with a fairly strong demand.

BROKENS: Well made good liquoring small Brokens were again a strong market and were mostly firm. Their corresponding larger varieties met with a fairly good demand but were slightly easier with some withdrawals. Medium varieties were a fairly good market and sold at around last levels easing slightly in line with quality. Plainer varieties met with a little less demand and were slightly easier with some withdrawals. BLFs teas met with a good demand at around last levels.

FANNINGS : Well made good liquoring Fannings were again a strong feature of the sale and prices were mostly firm to occasionally easier in line with quality. Medium and Plainer varieties met with a fairly good demand but were easier with a little more withdrawals. BLFs teas met with a good demand at around last levels.

DUST: 11,387 packages of tea on offer met with quite a good demand. Good liquoring Dusts sold well at around last levels. Their Mediums were little easier by Tk.3/- to Tk.5/- closely following quality. Plain/BLF Dusts met with less demand with a little more withdrawals than last. Blenders lent good support with fair interest from the Loose tea buyers.

COMMENTS: Good liquoring varieties continued to witness a strong demand with Blenders once again being the mainstay of the market. Loose tea buyers lent fair support. In the second half of the sale market witnessed little less competition with slightly more withdrawals.

Dusts were slightly easier market

Quotations – This Week – (In Taka)

Brokens	This Week	Last Week	Fannings	This Week	Last Week	Dust	This Week	Last Week
Best	270-277	270-282	Best	272-285	275-290	PD	250-311	270-310
Good	260-268	260-270	Good	262-270	262-272	RD	245-338	245-345
Medium	254-258	255-260	Medium	254-258	255-260	D	248-350	259-332
Plain	245-248	245-250	Plain	245-248	245-250	CD	248-297	255-314
BLF	240-250	238-251	BLF	241-250	238-250	BLF	245-260	245-255



SOUTH INDIAN ROUNDUP

FOR THE WEEK ENDING – 27th DECEMBER, 2025

KOCHI

CTC LEAF

Demand : No Sale.

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Demand :
Buying Pattern :
Market :

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Demand :
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CTC LEAF

Demand : Good.

Market : Market opened on a barely steady to easier levels by Rs. 1/- to Rs. 2/- on the majorly traded quantity. However the smaller quantity that was offered on the Brighter liquoring types have had a better demand to be sold at firm to dearer levels. The sale had witnessed fair withdrawals on the Larger Broken and on the browner flaky teas with faulty liquors.

The overall sale percentage was 82% at an average of Rs. 109.80.

Buying Pattern: The Major Blenders and the Regional Packeteers were the prominent absorbers. The Exporters were lending fair support whilst the Internal buying being cautious.

ORTH LEAF

Demand : Fairly strong.

Market : An irregular market and mostly easier trend by Rs. 2/- to Rs. 5/- across all grades and categories. However some select lines of the popular marks have sold at fully firm to dearer levels.

The overall sale percentage was 87% at an average of Rs. 137.50.

Buying Pattern: A strong Export enquiry was forthcoming with very select Internal participation.

CTC DUST**Demand :** Good.**Market :** Market opened on a barely steady to easier trend by a Re to Rs. 2/- on the major quantity that were traded. The Better Mediums however were traded at steady to firm on the Bolder dusts and firm to dearer on the Finer grades.**The overall sale percentage was 84% at an average of Rs. 117.67.****Buying Pattern:** Though the export operation was fairly strong the Major Blenders and other Regional Packeteers alongwith the Regular Internal buyers were lending fair support. AVT and Anjaneya Enterprises were buying fair quantity of the Brighter liquoring teas.**ORTH DUST****Demand :** Fair.**Market:** Market witnessed an easier trend with the major quantity of the Primary dust grades were selling at Rs. 2/- to Rs. 5/- and more upto Rs. 10/- lower. The Secondaries and Tertiaries were traded at steady to firm and occasionally dearer levels, though they had witnessed fair withdrawals.**The overall sale percentage was 63% at an average of Rs. 114.72.****Buying Pattern:** Fairly good Export interest was witnessed with select internal operations.**COIMBATORE****CTC LEAF****Demand :****Market :****Buying Pattern :****ORTH LEAF****Demand :****Market :****Buying Pattern :**

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INTERNATIONAL TEA NEWS

**India's tea production, export for 2025 likely to surpass 2024 figures
India's tea export is expected to be significantly higher this year
compared to last year, despite geopolitical tensions**



The Indian tea industry expects both production and exports to be higher for this year compared with last year. While the output of the brew is likely to grow marginally, export is expected to grow significantly buoyed by higher shipments to Iran, Iraq and China.

The country produced 1284.78 million kg (mkg) of tea in 2024. Production of the brew till October 2025 reached 1133.41 mkg, registering an increase of 8 mkg or about 1 per cent compared to the corresponding period of 2024.

"I think tea production for this year will be marginally higher compared to last year. Last year, we closed plucking of tea leaves in the gardens from December 1. This year we are operating in the whole of December. So, we can expect that this year's production would be around 20-25 mkg higher than last year," Indian Tea Association Chairman Hemant Bangur told *businessline*.

Notably, last year, the Tea Board had notified that the last plucking date for gardens situated in all elevations in Darjeeling hills, Sikkim, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand, and in Dooars and Terai regions of West Bengal would be November 30, 2024.

Gainful December

"Based on current trends, total tea production in 2025 is projected to reach around 1,342 mkg, which would be approximately 38 mkg or 3 per cent higher than the previous year," said P K Bhattacharjee, Secretary-General, Tea Association of India.

"The increase in crop is attributed to December production this year, as the cropping season was closed early during the last year as mandated by the Tea Board India," Bhattacharjee said.

India's tea export is expected to be significantly higher this year compared to last year, despite geopolitical tensions.

“The export situation is good. We should end this year by 15-20 mkg more than last year. It is mainly due to higher shipments to Iran, Iraq and China,” Indian Tea Exporters Association Chairman Anshuman Kanoria told *businessline*.

India had exported 256.17 mkg of the brew last year. Exports till October 2025 stood at 228.52 million kgs compared to 214.64 mkg in the same period of 2024.

“Until October, export was quite good. Beyond October, also the trend has not been bad. So, I think we should have higher export numbers compared to 2024,” Bangur said.
