

TEA MARKET REPORT

SALE NO: 05

February 02 & 03, 2026



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COMMENTS

This week's Tea Auction, Sale No.05 of February 02(Mon)/03(Tue), 2026. A total weight of 6.0 MKGS was on offer, which shows similar quantity when compared to the previous sale. The Low Grown Leafy, Semi Leafy, Tippy/Small Leaf & Premium Flowery catalogues totaled 2.8 MKGS, while the Main Sale High & Medium segment had 0.6 MKGS. The Ex Estate category had 0.78 MKGS.

Ex-Estate teas met with fair and irregular demand. A few select improved best Western BOP's/BOPF's gained Rs.50-100/- per kg whilst others gained Rs.20-40/-. In the below best category, BOP's up to Rs.40/- per kg dearer whilst their BOPF's sold around last levels. Plainer BOP's declined Rs.20-40/- whilst their BOPF's lost up to Rs.20-40/-. Nuwara Eliya teas remained unsold due to lack of suitable bids. Uva/Udapussellawa BOP's on average lost Rs.20-40/- whilst their corresponding BOPF's sold on last levels. CTC Teas – High and Medium PF1's were firm to Rs.20-40/- easier whilst Low grown PF1's declined by Rs20/- on average. The limited availability of BP1's on offer tended irregular. There was selective buying by shippers to Japan and the Continent whilst the balance were accounted for by shippers to Russia, the CIS, along with limited buying for China & Hong Kong.

Demand at the Low Grown sale for all catalogues continued to meet with less demand with prices witnessing a decline owing to the ongoing uncertainty in the Middle-East.

This week's auction comprised of **12,493** lots with a total quantity of **6,089,722** Kgs.

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The catalogue wise breakdown was as follows:-

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	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>
Low Grown Leafy	2, 505	962,061
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,839	798,981
Low Grown Tippy	2,104	1,013,558
High & Medium	1,629	654,744
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,593	1,309,972
Dust	564	503,510
Premium Flowery	458	62,362
Ex-Estate	<u>801</u>	<u>784,524</u>
Total	<u>12,493</u>	<u>6,089,722</u>

School teacher sends home a note with student. The note reads, "Your son is an obedient and bright student, but spends too much time talking to girls."

Mother sends a note back the following day, "Please advise a solution. Father has the same problem."

"Why in the world would you cover your face? Have you no shame?"

LOW GROWN TEAS**LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY**

BOP1 : Select best invoices were barely steady, whilst the balance were declined.

OP1 : A few select best invoices held firm, whilst the best teas declined by Rs.50/-.
Bolder varieties together with the stalky invoices maintained.

OP : Well made OP's declined by Rs.20-40/- at the sale. Balance appreciated by Rs.20/-.

OPA : Select and best types OPA's were maintained whilst the balance were irregularly lower.

PEK/PEK1 : Select best PEK's were irregularly lower, and the best invoices too declined further. Below best together with the mixed open varieties were lower. Select best PEK1's were irregular, whilst the balance were lower.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)		BOP1	OP1	OP	OPA	PEK/PEK1
SELECT BEST	This Week	1900-3000	1900-3800	1300-1600	1450-1600	1800-2250
	Last Week	2000-3000	2000-3750	1300-1600	1400-1700	1850-2350
BEST	This Week	1450-1850	1450-1850	1150-1250	1200-1400	1400-1750
	Last Week	1500-1950	1500-1950	1150-1250	1200-1350	1450-1800
BELOW BEST	This Week	1300-1400	1200-1400	1000-1100	1000-1150	1200-1350
	Last Week	1300-1450	1300-1450	1000-1100	1000-1150	1200-1400
SECONDARIES	This Week	1050-1250	1000-1150	850-950	800-950	1000-1150
	Last Week	1100-1250	1100-1250	850-950	800-950	1000-1150
POOR	This Week	850-1000	510-950	450-800	450-750	760-950
	Last Week	850-1050	600-1050	550-800	500-750	800-950

TIPPY/SMALL LEAF

- BOP/BOPSP** : Well-made BOP/ BOPSP's were easier, whilst the others in general were firm on last.
- BOPF/BOPFSP** : Well-made BOPF's together with the cleaner Below Best were firm, whilst the balance were irregular following quality. BOPFSP in general were easier.
- FBOP/FBOP1** : Select Best FBOP's were firm, whilst the best FBOP's were firm on last, whilst the below best together with bold varieties declined. Teas at the lower end were irregular. Well-made FBOP1's were firm, whilst the other categories followed a similar trend.
- FBOPF/FBOPF1** : Select best FBOPF1's were firm, whilst the best together with cleaner below best were firm to dearer. FBOPF market met with a fair demand.
- FBOPFSP** : Very Tippy teas were firm, whilst the balance in general were appreciated.
- FFEXSP/SP1** : Overall, leafier varieties were irregular.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)		BOP/ BOPSP	BOPF/ BOPFSP	FBOP/ FBOP1	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	FBOPFSP/ FBOPFEXSP
SELECT BEST	This Week	1600-2000	1500-1900	2350-2650	1650-1950	4200-4950
	Last Week	1650-2000	1500-2000	2250-2500	1650-1850	4450-5200
BEST	This Week	1440-1550	1300-1460	1750-2200	1460-1500	3200-4000
	Last Week	1460-1600	1300-1480	1700-2000	1440-1500	3350-3800
BELOW BEST	This Week	1250-1400	1120-1240	1460-1650	1380-1440	2350-3000
	Last Week	1270-1420	1170-1240	1470-1600	1370-1420	2250-2950
SECONDARIES	This Week	1100-1220	900-1040	1220-1380	1160-1340	1420-1700
	Last Week	1120-1240	900-1100	1240-1380	1140-1300	1400-1650
POOR	This Week	870-1000	720-880	880-1160	880-1120	1000-1300
	Last Week	900-1000	750-900	900-1140	880-1100	1000-1220

MEDIUM GROWN LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY TEAS

FBOP : Well made FBOP's were selectively dearer, whilst the below best together with the bolder varieties declined.

FBOPF/FBOPF1 : FBOPF1's were firm whilst the best together with the cleaner below best were firm to selectively dearer. The balance were irregular.

PEK/PEK1 : Select best and best PEK1's were Rs.50/- lower to last, whilst the balance with the mixed/open varieties were irregularly 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>
FBOP	1250 - 1850	1250-1900	950 - 1200	1000-1240	770-1000	770-1050
FBOPF/FBOPF1	1300 - 1650	1300-1650	950 - 1240	1000 - 1250	750 -1000	770 -1050
PEK/PEK1	1450 - 1800	1500-1850	850 - 1250	900 - 1300	750-108 0	750-1100

HIGH GROWNS TEAS

MARKET : Fair demand

BOP: Best Western's – A few improved teas in the Select Best category gained by Rs.60-80/- per kg following special inquiry, whilst the others gained to a lesser extent. In the Below Best category, select improved teas gained by Rs.40/- per kg and more, whilst the others were barely steady. At the lower end of the market, clean leaf teas sold at last levels, whilst the others declined by Rs.20-40/- per kg and at times more. Nuwara Eliya's were mostly unsold. Uda Pussellawa's – Best varieties declined by Rs.40/- per kg and more, whilst the others were firm to irregularly lower. Uva's – Select Best types declined by Rs.20-40/- per kg, whilst the others declined further.

BOPF : Best Western's – few Select Best varieties gained by Rs.50-100/- per kg following quality/special inquiry, whilst the others gained by Rs.20-40/- per kg. In the Below Best category, clean leaf teas too followed a similar trend, whilst the others sold at last levels. At the lower end of the market, clean leaf types sold at last levels, whilst the others declined by Rs.40/- per kg and more. Nuwara Eliya's were mostly unsold. Uda Pussellawa's – Better teas sold at last levels, whilst the others declined by Rs.20-40/- per kg and more. Uva's – A few improved teas sold at last levels, whilst the others in general were firm to irregularly lower.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BOP		BOPF	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Best Westerns	1400 - 1600	1400 - 1500	1380 - 1700	1320 - 1480
Below Best Westerns	1240 - 1380	1280 - 1380	1220 - 1360	1220 - 1300
Plainer Westerns	1120 -1200	1120 -1260	1040 - 1200	1100 - 1200
Nuwara Eliyas	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Brighter UdaPussellawas	1080 - 1100	1120 - 1180	1120 - 1200	1160 - 1200
Other Uda Pussellawas	1020 - 1040	1040 - 1080	1020 - 1040	1040 - 1100
Best Uva's	1200	1200 - 1240	1240 - 1280	1220 - 1280
Other Uva's	1120	1160 - 1180	1000 - 1220	1150 - 1200

MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

BOP : Generally firm.

BOPF : Mostly sold around last levels.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BOP		BOPF	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Best Westerns	810 - 1750	820 - 1700	800-1260	800-1260

CTC TEAS

HIGH GROWN:-

BP1 - Hardly any offerings.

PF1 - Better sorts sold at last levels, whilst the others declined by Rs.20-40/- per kg.

MEDIUM GROWN:-

BP1 - Firm to irregularly dearer

PF1 - Better sorts – A few select invoices sold at last week's closing levels, whilst the others were irregular and mostly lower.

LOW GROWN:-

BP1 - Sold around last levels

PF1 - Better sorts were Rs.20/- per kg easier, whilst the others were irregular.

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	1000 - 1100	1040 - 1160
Medium	830 -1050	820 -1100	750 - 1120	810 - 1140
Low	860 - 1360	820 - 1360	640 - 1380	640 - 1350

OFF GRADES

FGS/FGS1 : Select best liquoring FNGS/FNGS1's firm to lower by Rs.75-80/- per kg. Best followed a similar trend. Low Grown select best FNGS/FNGS1's firm on last whilst others lost Rs.20-30/- per kg. Select best BM's held firm; others were irregular. Lower end teas firm to lower Rs.10-20/- per kg.

BOP1A : Select best BOP1A's held firm. Best Teas lost Rs.20-40/- on last, whilst below best firm to lower Rs.20-30/- per kg. Poorer teas firm on last.

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)	890-1080	920-1150	800-830	800-830	800-830	800-830
Good Fannings (CTC)	820-840	820-840	720-770	720-770	720-840	720-840
Other Fannings (Orthodox)	720-750	720-750	760-800	760-800	650-750	650-750
Other Fannings (CTC)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Good BM's	820-880	820-880	800-930	800-930	820-950	820-950
Other BM's	620-730	630-730	560-740	580-750	550-750	590-750
Best BOP1As	740-800	740-800	810-840	810-860	930-1200	1000-1200
Other BOP1As	650-700	650-700	640-750	640-750	640-750	530-750

DUST

DUST/DUST1: High grown liquoring DUST/DUST1 maintained last levels, whilst their secondaries and below best types lost Rs.40-60/- per kg. Mid grown teas were irregular and mostly lower. Low grown teas were barely steady.

PD : High grown lost Rs.30-60/-. Mid grown teas were Rs.50-80/- lower and more at times. Low grown teas sold firm on last levels.

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)	770 - 1700	800 - 1700	770 - 1240	780 - 1220	720 - 1380	700 - 1440
Good Primary PD (CTC)	760 - 1020	780 - 1200	760 - 1120	750 - 1240	670 - 1480	650 - 1420
Secondary Dust	770 - 1280	770 - 1220	760 - 860	770 - 850	650 - 920	600 - 1000

WESTERN MEDIUM

Dartry Valley	BOP	1750/-
*Harangalla	BOP	1700/-
Craighead	BOP	1700/-
Craighead	BOPSP	1550/-
*Uplands	BOPSP	1380/-
Windsorforest	BOPSP	1380/-
*Vellai Oya	BOPF	1260/-
*Ancoombra	BOPFSP	920/-
*Uplands	BOPFSP	920/-
Dartry Valley	BOP1	2000/-
Craighead	BOP1	2000/-
*Harangalla	BOP1	1850/-
Dartry Valley	FBOP	1850/-
Craighead	FBOP	1850/-
Hansagiri Kothmale	FBOP1	1500/-
Imboolpittia	FBOPF1	1650/-
Dartry Valley	FBOPF1	1650/-
Harangalla	FBOPF1	1600/-
Craighead	FBOPF1	1600/-
*Hatale	FBOPF1	1550/-
*Ancoombra	FBOPF1	1550/-
Hansagiri Kothmale	OP	1220/-
*Hatale	OPA	1200/-
*Dartry Valley	OPA	1140/-
Harangalla	OPA	1140/-
Harangalla	OP1	1600/-
Hansagiri Kothmale	OP1	1460/-
*Ingurugala	OP1	1440/-
*Hatale	OP1	1440/-
Dehiwatte Super	OP1	1440/-
BTS Super	PEKOE	1460/-
*Harangalla	PEKOE	1420/-
*Dartry Valley	PEKOE	1400/-
*Galgewatta	PEKOE1	1800/-
*Harangalla	PEKOE1	1800/-

WESTERN HIGH

Robgill	BOP	1600/-
Wattegodde	BOPSP	1650/-
Wattegodde	BOPF	1700/-
Inverness	BOP1	1500/-
Glenloch	BOP1	1500/-
Venture	FBOP	1650/-
Torrington	FBOP1	1040/-
ST.Andrews	FBOPF1	1440/-
Venture	OP	1120/-
Venture	OPA	1080/-
Kirkoswald	OPA	1080/-
ST.Andrews	OP1	1500/-
Wattegodde	PEKOE	1650/-
Dessford	PEKOE	1650/-
Glenloch	PEKOE1	1550/-

NUWARA ELIYA

Kenmare	BOP	1100/-
Kenmare	FBOP	1260/-
Kenmare	FBOPF1	1380/-
Kenmare	OPA	920/-
Court Lodge	PEKOE1	1280/-

UVA MEDIUM

Pettiagalla	BOP	1400/-
Hindagala	BOPSP	1380/-
El Teb	BOPF	1000/-
Dickwella	BOPFSP	1420/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	BOP1	1800/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	FBOP	1750/-
Aruna Passara	FBOP	1750/-
Dickwella	FBOP1	1200/-
Hindagala	FBOPF	1020/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	FBOPF1	1500/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	OP	1120/-
Hindagala	OPA	1100/-
High Spring	OP1	1400/-
Uva Samovar	OP1	1400/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	PEKOE	1440/-
Dickwella	PEKOE1	1700/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	PEKOE1	1700/-

UVA HIGH

Ellathota Uva	BOP	1280/-
Aislaby	BOPSP	1460/-
Nayabedde	BOPF	1280/-
Uva Highlands	BOP1	1750/-
Gonamotawa	FBOP	1700/-
Ellathota Uva	FBOP1	1140/-
Spring Valley	FBOPF	810/-
Aislaby	FBOPF1	1480/-
Ranaya	OP	1180/-
Ellathota Uva	OPA	1080/-
Ellathota Uva	OP1	1500/-
Ellathota Uva	PEKOE	1340/-
Ranaya	PEKOE1	1650/-

UDAPUSSELLAWA

Kirklees	BOP	1100/-
Luckyland	BOP	1100/-
*Mooloya	BOPSP	1120/-
Luckyland	BOPF	1200/-
Gonapitiya	BOP1	1460/-
Delmar	FBOP	1600/-
Delmar	FBOPF1	1380/-
Maha Uva	OP	1060/-
Delmar	OPA	980/-
Delmar	OP1	1400/-
Maha Uva	PEKOE	1260/-
Maha Uva	PEKOE1	1500/-

LOW GROWN LEAFY GRADES

Gunawardana	BOP1	3000/-
Pothotuwa	OP1	3800/-
Miriswatta	OP	1600/-
Mirisswatta	OPA	1600/-
Golden Garden	PEKOE	2250/-
Golden Garden	PEKOE1	2200/-

LOW GROWN TIPPY GRADES

*Mahaliyadda	BOP	2000/-
*Nawagamuwahena	BOP	1900/-
*New Laksakanda	BOP	1900/-
*New Nivithigala	BOP	1900/-
*Mahaliyadda	BOP	1850/-
*Elaine Super	BOPSP	2000/-
Stream Line	BOPSP	1850/-
New Spring View	BOPSP	1850/-
*Andaradeniya S	BOPSP	1800/-
Rajjuruwatta Super	BOPF	1900/-
Kings Bru	BOPF	1750/-
*Nawagamuwahena	BOPF	1600/-
*Karawita	BOPF	1600/-
H P P T ea	BOPFSP	1850/-
Gunawardana	FBOP	2650/-
Athukorala G.S	FBOP1	1950/-
Dullie Ella	FBOP1	1850/-
*New Nivithigala	FBOP1	1750/-
*Sithaka	FBOP1	1750/-
Wewelkandura S	FBOPF	1950/-
Pothotuwa	FBOPF1	1650/-
*New Galagawa	FBOPF1	1600/-
*Makandura	FBOPF1	1600/-
*Sithaka	FBOPF1	1600/-

PREMIUM FLOWERY

*Karawita	FBOPFSP	4950/-
Renukanda	FBOPFSP	4350/-
*Wikilliya	FBOPFSP	4250/-
Kendalanda	FBOPFEXSP	4450/-
Ceyenta	FBOPFEXSP1	4350/-

CTC TEAS**HIGH GROWN**

*Dunsinane CTC	PF1	1100/-
*Ulgedara CTC	PF1	1100/-
Florence CTC	PF1	1100/-

MEDIUM GROWN

Aultmore CTC	BP1	1060/-
Delta CTC	PF1	1120/-
Strathdon CTC	PF1	1120/-
Aultmore CTC	BPS	1020/-

LOW GROWN

Ceciliyan CTC	BP1	1360/-
Hingalgoda CTC	PF1	1380/-
*Lantern Hill CTC	BPS	840/-

OFF GRADES

*Kothmale Hills	BP	1220/-
Suviska	BP	1220/-
Hingalgoda CTC	PF	1600/-
Liyonta CTC	PF	1020/-
*Chandrika CTC	PF	870/-
Gunawardana	BM	1200/-
Kurunduwatta	BM	1120/-
*Narangala Super	BM	1040/-
*Avisawella	BM	1040/-
Court Lodge	FNGS	1100/-
Ransegoda	FNGS	920/-
Lellopitiya	FNGS	920/-
Renukanda	FNGS	920/-
*Narangala Super	FNGS	890/-
Wanarajah	FNGS1	1320/-
Wattegodde	FNGS1	1220/-
*Vellai Oya	FNGS1	1180/-
*Chandrika Estate	BOPIA	1260/-

BOPA

Kings Bru	BOPA	2000/-
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Dust

Wattegodde	DUST	1280/-
Mattakelle	DUST1	1700/-
Ceciliyan CTC	PD	1480/-

WESTERN MEDIUM

*Kothmale Hills	DUST	880/-
Midfeild	DUST	820/-
*Ambuluwawa CTC	DUST	800/-
*Kellebokka	PD	1120/-

LOW GROWN

*Wattahena	DUST	960/-
Rajjuruwatta Super	DUST	940/-
Dullie Ella	DUST	940/-
*Andaradeniya Hills	DUST	920/-

NATIONAL ELEVATIONAL AVERAGES – JANUARY, 2026

Elevation	MONTH		TO-DATE	
	QUANTITY -KG-	AVERAGE -RS./KGS-	QUANTITY -KG-	AVERAGE -RS./KGS-
ORTHODOX				
UVA-HIGH	1,198,794	1,037.45	1,198,794	1,037.45
WESTERN-HIGH	2,448,212	1,217.59	2,448,212	1,217.59
UVA-MEDIUM	1,035,031	959.29	1,035,031	959.29
WESTERN-MEDIUM	1,485,397	995.95	1,485,397	995.95
LOW	11,503,362	1,254.58	11,503,362	1,254.58
TOTAL	17,670,796	1,195.69	17,670,796	1,195.69
CTC				
UVA -HIGH	109,735	1,159.10	109,735	1,159.10
WESTERN- HIGH	351,598	1,121.06	351,598	1,121.06
WESTERN - MEDIUM	846,875	1,013.14	846,875	1,013.14
LOW	949,935	959.83	949,935	959.83
TOTAL	2,258,143	1,014.61	2,258,143	1,014.61
COMBINED (Orthodox / CTC)				
UVA-HIGH	1,308,529	1,047.65	1,308,529	1,047.65
WESTERN-HIGH	2,799,810	1,205.47	2,799,810	1,205.47
UVA-MEDIUM	1,035,031	959.29	1,035,031	959.29
WESTERN-MEDIUM	2,332,272	1,002.19	2,332,272	1,002.19
LOW	12,453,297	1,232.10	12,453,297	1,232.10
TOTAL	19,928,939	1,175.17	19,928,939	1,175.17

COLOMBO AUCTION – WEEKLY GROSS SALE AVERAGES

SALE NO.04 OF 28th JANUARY, 2026

	2026			2025	
	Weekly	Month to Date	Year to Date	Weekly	Year to Date
Uva High Grown	1,017.57	1,047.21	1,030.09	1,063.68	1,051.14
Western High Grown	1,214.42	1,207.15	1,195.15	1,160.74	1,150.25
High Grown	1,160.73	1,157.09	1,142.26	1,129.37	1,116.37
Uva Medium	936.44	960.56	958.57	1,073.99	1,069.24
Western Medium	989.20	1,003.50	990.22	1,070.32	1,028.00
Medium Grown	973.46	990.42	980.01	1,071.55	1,043.00
Low Grown (Orthodox)	1,244.50	1,253.65	1,253.65	1,310.60	1,293.39
Combined L.G. (Orthodox + CTC)	1,228.31	1,230.05	1,233.52	1,298.80	1,279.42
Total	1,173.31	1,174.56	1,174.20	1,226.61	1,208.08

Private Sale Figures (22.01.2026 – 28.01.2026) 344,946.50

Cumulative 952,605.40

DETAILS OF TEAS AWAITING SALE

SALE NO: 06

SALE NO: 07

Sale of 10th /11th Feb. '26

Sale of 17th /18th Feb. '26

	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>
Low Grown Leafy	2,551	959,969	2,293	829,242
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,723	696,649	1,621	643,358
Low Grown Tippy	2,290	1,058,442	2,091	942,118
High & Medium	1,394	556,400	1,589	646,567
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,761	1,449,665	2,470	1,264,462
Dust	532	464,532	598	534,304
Premium Flowery	253	34,822	454	63,340
Ex-Estate	<u>748</u>	<u>729,368</u>	<u>859</u>	<u>799,623</u>
Total	<u>12,252</u>	<u>5,949,847</u>	<u>11,975</u>	<u>5,723,014</u>

FUTURE CATALOGUES CLOSURE

Sale No.08 of 24th (Tue.)/25th (Wed.) February, 2026

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Friday, 06th February, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

Sale No.09 of 03rd (Tue.)/04th (Wed.) March, 2026

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Thursday, 12th February, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

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

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Thursday, 19th February, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

SALE NO. 06

AUCTION OF 10TH /11TH FEBRUARY, 2026

BROKERS' SELLING ORDER

Leafy/Semi Leafy/Tippy/ BOP1A/ Premium Flowery

1. Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
2. Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
3. Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd
4. Eastern Brokers PLC
5. Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC
6. Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC
7. John Keells PLC
8. **Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd**

High & Medium/ Off Grades/Dust

1. Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC
2. Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd
3. Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC
4. John Keells PLC
5. Eastern Brokers PLC
6. Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
7. Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
8. **Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd**

Ex-Estate

1. John Keells PLC
2. **Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd**
3. Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC
4. Eastern Brokers PLC
5. Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
6. Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd
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Crop & Weather

For the period 28th January to 03rd February, 2026

Western/Nuwara Eliya Regions

Both regions experienced bright weather at the beginning of the week and dull weather with scattered showers towards the latter part of the week. The Department of Meteorology expects misty conditions during the early morning hours in both the Nuwara Eliya and Western regions, with showers expected after 2 p.m. in the week ahead.

Uva/Uda Pussellawa Regions

Both regions reported sunny weather and occasional showers throughout the week. According to the Department of Meteorology, rain is expected in the Uva Region in the week ahead.

Low Grown

The Low Grown Region experienced sunny weather conditions and sporadic showers throughout the week. Rain is expected to continue in the Low Grown Region in the week ahead according to the Department of Meteorology.

Crop Intake

Crop intake in the Nuwara Eliya Region remained stable during the week. The Western and Uva regions recorded a slight decrease, while the Low Grown Region showed an increase in the crop intake levels.

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	Oct.	50.06	49.70	-0.4	495.23	451.38	-43.9
MALAWI	Oct.	2.60	2.20	-0.4	41.50	38.40	-3.1
NORTH INDIA	Nov.	128.40	104.70	-23.7	1064.40	1074.80	10.4
SOUTH INDIA	Nov.	19.90	19.50	-0.4	208.50	215.80	7.3
SRI LANKA	Dec.	21.81	21.38	-0.4	262.70	264.12	1.4

OTHER MARKETS

MOMBASA TEA AUCTION MARKET REPORT

Sale No.0 of 26th, 27th & 28th JANUARY, 2026

There was good general demand for the 192,819 packages (12,799,963.00 kilos) available in the market; 19.79% was unsold.

MARKET:

Pakistan Packers and **Bazaar** were strong with **Yemen** and **other Middle Eastern countries** active. **Kazakhstan** and **other CIS states** were active but a little more selective with more enquiry from **Afghanistan**. **Egyptian Packers** lent more support while **UK** maintained selective participation. **Russia** were operating with some interest from **South Sudan**. **Local Packers** were less active with **Somalia** maintaining support at the lower end of the market.

OFFERINGS :

Orthodox Grades - 3,600 packages (136,640.00 kilos) – 62.22% unsold.
 Leaf Grades - 94,460 packages (6,231,933.00 kilos) – 27.78% unsold.
 Dust Grades - 66,981 packages (5,002,911.00 kilos) – 13.92% unsold.
 Secondary Grades - 27,778 packages (1,428,479.00 kilos) – 9.36% unsold.

ORTHODOX GRADES (M5)

There was a slight improvement in absorption in comparison to the past sales.

LEAF GRADES (M2 & M3)

BP1:

Best : Some enquiry but at easier levels with a few teas discounted by up to USC38, USC46 and USC80.

Brighter: Eased further by up to USC22 with some lines shedding USC40.

Mediums: KTDA mediums were steady to USC8 above last levels to easier by up to USC9 while plantation mediums lost by up to USC13.

Lower Medium: Irregular interest varying between USC5 dearer to mostly easier by up to USC14.

Plainer: Gained by up to USC11.

PF1:

Best : Were firm to mostly dearer by up to USC10 but select lines shed by up to USC4.

Brighter : Irregular and mostly held value with some invoices up to USC5 above previous rates to USC10 below last levels.

Mediums : KTDA mediums were steady to dearer by up to USC13 while plantation mediums met strong absorption gaining up to USC15 but select teas eased by up to USC8.

Lower Medium : Met more irregular interest and varied between firm to USC10 above previous rates for some lines to mostly easier by up to USC7.

Plainer : Saw strong enquiry advancing by up to USC14 but select teas shed by up to USC5.

CTC QUOTATIONS	BP1 - USC	PF1 - USC
Best	265 - 486	292 - 372
Good	250 - 299	300 - 340
Good Medium	225 - 296	275 - 322
Medium (KTDA)	170 - 211	249 - 297
Medium (Plantations)	167 - 209	195 - 245
Lower Medium	098 - 162	150 - 226
Plainer	098 - 162	088 - 160

DUST GRADES (M1)**PDUST:****Best:** Were dearer by up to USC34**Brighter:** Advanced further by up to USC17**Mediums:** KTDA mediums met irregular enquiry ranging between firm to USC16 dearer for most offers to easier by up to USC12. Plantation mediums irregularly shed by up to USC8**Lower Medium:** Irregular and were mostly discounted by up to USC8 but some teas held steady to USC12 above last levels.**Plainer:** More irregular interest at firm to USC10 dearer to easier by up to USC7.**DUST1:****Best:** Steady to USC7 dearer to easier by up to USC9**Brighter:** Met irregular enquiry ranging between firm to USC18 above previous rates to easier by up to USC13.**Mediums:** KTDA mediums were more irregular and varied between USC12 dearer to easier by up to USC18. Plantation mediums met steady support and ranged between USC15 above previous levels to easier by up to USC7.**Lower Medium:** Gained up to USC10 to easier by up to USC6**Plainer:** Mostly advanced by up to USC13 but some lines were discounted by up to USC7.

CTC QUOTATIONS	PDUST - USC	DUST1 - USC
Best	300 - 360	292 - 365
Good	290 - 349	274 - 312
Good Medium	245 - 348	240 - 308
Medium (KTDA)	170 - 240	170 - 255
Medium (Plantations)	180 - 214	168 - 193
Lower Medium	142 - 206	144 - 165
Plainer	094 - 140	105 - 134

SECONDARY GRADES(S1)

In the Secondary Catalogues, **BPs** were steady to dearer while **PFs** were firm. Clean well sorted coloury **Fannings** tended dearer with **similar DUSTs** selling at last levels. **Other Fannings** held value while **DUSTs** were about firm. **BMFs** were well absorbed.

SECONDARY QUOTATIONS (USC)	BP / BP2	PF / PF2	FNGS1/FNGS	DUST / DUST2	BMF
Best / Good	242 - 316	218 - 243	150 - 227	132 - 269	-
Good Medium /Medium	-	-	120 - 177	117 - 190	-
Lower Medium	134 - 170	122 - 152	106 - 147	090 - 132	100 - 114
Plainer	087 - 150	085 - 136	088 - 119	082 - 120	085 - 099



SOUTH INDIAN ROUNDUP

FOR THE WEEK ENDING – 31ST JANUARY, 2026

KOCHI

CTC LEAF

Demand : Good Demand: All grades sold irregularly around last levels

ORTHODOX LEAF

Demand : Good Demand.

Buying Pattern : High grown and cleaner blacker whole leaves sold at steady to occasionally dearer levels depending on quality, other whole leaves were irregular and lower around last. Primary and secondary brokens were steady to dearer. Fannings were steady

Market : CIS & Middle East Buyers operated.

DUST

Demand : Good Demand.

Buying Pattern : Popular marks and good liquoring sorts traded at fully firm levels. Plainer sorts sold irregularly and easier by Rs.1 to 2.

Market : Major Packeteers and exporters were active, internal buyers lended useful support.

COONOR

CTC LEAF

Demand : Good.

Market : An irregular market with the Brighter liquoring teas have witnessed a steady to firm and dearer levels at times. whilst the major quantity that was traded was rather barely steady selling at almost last levels. The market continued to show less interest on the browner, fibrous and faulty teas which have suffered with drawls.

The overall sale percentage was 90% at an average of Rs.111.22.

Buying Pattern: Yet again the Major Blenders and the Regional Packeteers were the main stay absorbing the maximum quantity of the sustainable certified teas whilst the Internal was lending fair support. The Export front was operating mostly on the Larger Brokens and on the Fannings.

ORTH LEAF

Demand : Fairly strong

Market : Market was generally a fully firm to dearer trend for the Brokens and the Fannings. However the Whole leaf grades across all categories have witnessed an irregularly lower trend. The Brokens and Fannins were trading at Rs.5/- to Rs.10/- and more sometimes following quality.

The overall sale percentage was 88% at an average of Rs.140.13.

Buying Pattern: A strong export enquiry was forthcoming with only Kushal Tea Trading Co being the highlighting factor in the Internal front.

CTC DUST

Demand : Fairly good.

Market : The bullish trend continued this week too for the Brighter liquoring teas with a fully firm to dearer levels. However the major quality that was traded on the Medium teas was barely steady to easier levels. The sale had witnessed fair withdrawals on the browner, fibrous and faulty liquor teas.

The overall sale percentage was 83% at an average of Rs.122.82.

Buying Pattern: Fairly stronger export enquiry was witnessed with Internal lending fair support. M/s. Anjaneya Enterprises (Devagiri Tea Produce Co) continued to absorb the major quantity of the Brighter and high-priced teas.

ORTH DUST

Demand : Fairly good

Market: The market had witnessed an irregular trend with the popular primary dust grades trading at fully firm to dearer levels whilst the Medium types have sold at easier levels. The Secondaries and the Tertiaries have sold at steady to occasionally dearer levels.

The overall sale percentage was 82% at an average of Rs.135.36.

Buying Pattern: Fairly good export operation was forthcoming with equally good Internal participation.

COIMBATORE**CTC LEAF**

Demand : Fair demand.

Market : Better medium and popular teas were barely steady. Medium teas were irregular and lower by Re.1/- to Rs.2/- with few withdrawals particularly on BOPF. Plainer teas were barely steady with few withdrawals.

Buying Pattern : Blenders and packeteers were selective. Exporters and internal were active.

ORTH LEAF

Demand : Good demand.

Market : Whole leaf steady. Well made brokens were firm to dearer. Secondary brokens were barely steady. BOPF not quotable.

Buying Pattern : Exporters were active. Blenders and packeteers were selective.

CTC DUST

Demand : Good general demand.

Market : Better medium and popular teas were irregular as sale progressed better medium and popular teas were firm to dearer. Medium teas were barely steady to lower by Rs.1/- to Rs.2/- with some withdrawals particularly on bolder grades. Plainer bolder grades were irregular and lower. Finer grades were lower by Rs.7/- to Rs.10/-.

Buying Pattern : Blenders, packeteers and internal were active. Exporters selective.

ORTH DUST

Demand : Less demand.

Market : Lower by Rs.3/- to Rs.5/- with heavy withdrawals.

Buying Pattern : Exporters were selective.

February 03, 2026

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TEA NEWS (LOCAL)

Publication – The Island

Headline – Immediate industrial reforms critical for Sri Lanka’s future

Journalist – N/A

Summary - Sri Lanka’s economy remains overly reliant on a few traditional sectors such as tea. Industries contribute significantly to GDP and export earnings by creating value added products and improving trade balances. Industrial reforms can encourage diversification into higher value manufacturing, technology driven production and knowledge based industries. Many local industries struggle with outdated technology, high production costs and weak supply chains, which reduces competitiveness and export performance. Comprehensive reforms can promote research and development, digitalisation, automation and green technologies. Reforms that support sustainable manufacturing and renewable energy adoption will help industries remain competitive and improve access to international markets.

Publication – Daily FT

Headline – Embassy promotes Ceylon Tea in Stockholm

Journalist – N/A

Summary - The Embassy of Sri Lanka in Sweden hosted a Ceylon Tea promotion event titled “Ceylon Tea Voyage: Flavours: Artisans: Pairing” on 26 January. The event was organised with the Sri Lanka Tea Board, the Ceylon Artisanal Tea Association, and Tekompaniet, the Swedish representative of Dilmah. Participants included hoteliers and representatives from the tea, food and beverage, and hospitality sectors in Sweden. Presentations highlighted the premium qualities of Ceylon Tea, sustainable production practices, health benefits, and flavour profiles from Sri Lanka’s seven tea growing regions. Artisanal tea producers showcased region-specific teas and ethical sourcing practices. A Ceylon Tea and food pairing session demonstrated the versatility of Ceylon Tea with Swedish cuisine.
