

# **TEA MARKET REPORT**

**SALE NO: 08**

February 24 & 25, 2026



LANKA COMMODITY BROKERS LTD

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## COMMENTS

This week's Tea Auction, Sale No.08 was held on February 24(Tue.)/25(Wed), 2026. A total weight of 5.5 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 2.3 MKGS, while the Main Sale High & Medium segment had 0.6 MKGS. The Ex Estate category had 0.8 MKGS.

There was once again good general demand at today's Ex-Estate sale particularly for the better flavouring teas. Best Western BOP's/BOPF's where quality was maintained continued to sell well with select invoices appreciating in value following special airmail inquiry. In the below best category, a few select invoices in the higher price bracket too appreciated substantially whilst others tended irregular. Teas at the lower end were firm to easier by Rs.20/- per kg. Nuwara Eliya Teas again sold well this week based on seasonal quality. Uva/Udapussellawa BOP's/BOPF's declined Rs.50-100/- per kg and more in the higher price bracket. CTC Teas – High & Medium PF1's were firm on last levels whilst others lost Rs.20-40/- per kg. Low Grown PF1's were firm around last levels. There were hardly BP1's on offer this week. The limited availability of the seasonal teas on offer were keenly sought after by Shippers to Japan and the Continent whilst the balance teas were absorbed by Shippers to Russia & CIS Countries along additional interest from the tea bag sector.

Low Grown continued to meet with strong demand for all categories and thus witnessed an upward trend in price levels. Most traditional buyers continued to be active.

This week's auction comprised of **11,421** lots with a total quantity of **5,533,190** Kgs.

### In Lighter Vein

### **Ex-Girlfriend**

The catalogue wise breakdown was as follows:-

	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>	
Low Grown Leafy	2,074	724,854	<i>A man and his wife are dining at a table in a plush restaurant, and the husband keeps staring at a drunken lady swigging her drink as she sits alone at a nearby table.</i>
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,671	646,703	
Low Grown Tippy	1,984	884,025	<i>His wife asks, "Do you know her?"</i>
High & Medium	1,549	634,203	<i>"Yes," sighs the husband, "she's my ex-girlfriend. I understand she took to drinking right after we split up seven years ago, and I hear she hasn't been sober since."</i>
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,361	1,235,538	
Dust	601	542,634	
Premium Flowery	328	41,967	
Ex-Estate	<u>853</u>	<u>823,266</u>	<i>"My God!" says the wife. "Who would think a person could go on celebrating that long?"</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>11,421</u></b>	<b><u>5,533,190</u></b>	

## LOW GROWN TEAS

### LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY

**BOP1** : BOP1's in general were firm.

**OP1** : Select best together with best invoices declined, whilst the below best category were a dearer feature. Stalky invoices tended irregular.

**OP** : Select and best invoices held firm, whilst the shorter varieties eased. Teas at the lower end however were dearer.

**OPA** : Teas in the select best category were dearer, whilst best and below best too marginally dearer. Poorer sorts too appreciated.

**PEK/PEK1** : Select best PEK's sold around last week levels, whilst balance tended irregular. Select best PEK1's were firm, whilst the balance too maintained.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)		BOP1	OP1	OP	OPA	PEK/PEK1
<b>SELECT BEST</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>1900-3000</b>	<b>1900-3550</b>	<b>1450-1650</b>	<b>1500-1800</b>	<b>1800-2650</b>
	Last Week	1900-3000	1950-3600	1500-1800	1500-1800	1800-2650
<b>BEST</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>1450-1850</b>	<b>1550-1850</b>	<b>1250-1400</b>	<b>1300-1450</b>	<b>1450-1750</b>
	Last Week	1450-1850	1450-1900	1250-1450	1250-1450	1450-1750
<b>BELOW BEST</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>1300-1400</b>	<b>1200-1500</b>	<b>1050-1200</b>	<b>1100-1250</b>	<b>1200-1400</b>
	Last Week	1300-1400	1200-1400	1050-1200	1100-1200	1200-1400
<b>SECONDARIES</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>1000-1250</b>	<b>1050-1150</b>	<b>850-1000</b>	<b>900-1050</b>	<b>1050-1150</b>
	Last Week	1000-1250	1050-1150	850-1000	900-1050	1050-1150
<b>POOR</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>800-950</b>	<b>550-1000</b>	<b>550-800</b>	<b>550-850</b>	<b>800-1000</b>
	Last Week	800-900	500-1000	500-800	500-850	800-1000

**TIPPY/SMALL LEAF**

- BOP/BOPSP** : In general were firm.
- BOPF/BOPFSP** : Select Best & Best BOPF's were easier, whilst the balance in general were firm on last levels
- FBOP/FBOP1** : Select Best FBOP's were firm, whilst the best together with cleaner Below Best and better bold varieties were firm. FBOP1's too held firm.
- FBOPF/FBOPF1** : FBOPF1's in general were firm to dearer. Teas at the lower end were easier. FBOPF's were firm on last levels.
- FBOPFSP** : Overall, market was firm to dearer.
- FFEXSP/SP1** : Met with a good demand.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)		BOP/ BOPSP	BOPF/ BOPFSP	FBOP/ FBOP1	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	FBOPFSP/ FBOPFEXSP
<b>SELECT BEST</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>1650-2000</b>	<b>1550-1950</b>	<b>2150-2550</b>	<b>1600-1750</b>	<b>3950-5000</b>
	Last Week	1650-2100	1550-1950	2150-2550	1650-1900	3950-4300
<b>BEST</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>1460-1600</b>	<b>1300-1460</b>	<b>1750-2100</b>	<b>1460-1550</b>	<b>3300-3800</b>
	Last Week	1460-1600	1320-1460	1750-2100	1460-1550	3200-3700
<b>BELOW BEST</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>1260-1420</b>	<b>1160-1240</b>	<b>1500-1700</b>	<b>1380-1450</b>	<b>2000-2900</b>
	Last Week	1270-1420	1160-1230	1480-1700	1360-1440	1950-2700
<b>SECONDARIES</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>1260-1400</b>	<b>920-1080</b>	<b>1230-1480</b>	<b>1160-1360</b>	<b>1500-1700</b>
	Last Week	1270-1420	920 - 1060	1260-1440	1140-1340	1460-1650
<b>POOR</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>850-1040</b>	<b>720-900</b>	<b>900-1200</b>	<b>920-1140</b>	<b>1000-1380</b>
	Last Week	860-1050	740-900	900-1180	900-1120	1000-1360

## MEDIUM GROWN LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY TEAS

**FBOP** : Select best FBOP's were irregular, whilst the best and the below best sold around last levels.

**FBOPF/FBOPF1** : Best FBOPF1's were firm, whilst the below best and the cleaner teas at the lower end were irregularly easier.

**PEK/PEK1** : High priced PEK1's sold at last levels with the balance met with irregular easier levels.

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>	1350 - 1850	1350 - 2000	<b>900 - 1350</b>	900 - 1380	<b>770-880</b>	770-900
<b>FBOPF/FBOPF1</b>	<b>1280 - 1600</b>	1300 - 1600	<b>920 - 1280</b>	950 - 1300	<b>730 -930</b>	750 -950
<b>PEK/PEK1</b>	<b>1450 - 2000</b>	1500 - 1850	<b>1180 - 1440</b>	1200 - 1500	<b>720-1150</b>	750-1200

## HIGH GROWNS TEAS

**MARKET : Good general demand**

**BOP:** Best Western's, where quality was maintained, continued to sell well with select invoices appreciating in value following special inquiry. In the Below Best category, a few select invoices in the higher price bracket appreciated substantially following special inquiry, whilst the others were irregular and most often easier. At the lower end, a few select neat leaf teas gained by Rs.20-40/- per kg, whilst the others declined by a similar margin and more. Nuwara Eliya's continued to sell well at firm to dearer rates. Uda Pussellawa's – Better teas were firm, whilst the others declined by Rs.50-100/- per kg. Uva's – Select high-priced teas of last week were substantially easier, whilst the others declined by up to Rs.50/- per kg.

**BOPF :** Best Western's, where quality was maintained, continued to sell well with select invoices appreciating in value following special inquiry. In the Below Best category, select invoices in the higher price bracket appreciated by Rs.50/- per kg and more following special inquiry, whilst the others were irregular and at times, easier. Teas at the lower end of the market were firm and up to Rs.20/- per kg easier. Nuwara Eliya's sold well. Uda Pussellawa's were up to Rs.100/- per kg easier. Uva's were Rs.20-40/- per kg dearer.

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>1460 - 2050</b>	1480 - 1800	<b>1400 - 1650</b>	1400 - 1600
<b>Below Best Westerns</b>	<b>1280 - 1420</b>	1320 - 1460	<b>1280 - 1380</b>	1300 - 1380
<b>Plainer Westerns</b>	<b>1060 - 1240</b>	1080 - 1260	<b>1160 - 1260</b>	1120 - 1280
<b>Nuwara Eliyas</b>	<b>1500 - 1900</b>	1460 - 1550	<b>1360 - 1420</b>	1380
<b>Brighter UdaPussellawas</b>	<b>1080 - 1120</b>	1080	<b>1120 - 1160</b>	1200 - 1280
<b>Other Uda Pussellawas</b>	N/A	1000 - 1040	<b>1020 - 1080</b>	1040 - 1160
<b>Best Uva's</b>	N/A	1220 - 1460	<b>1220 - 1280</b>	1240 - 1260
<b>Other Uva's</b>	<b>1120</b>	1040	<b>1100 - 1180</b>	1180 - 1220

## MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

**BOP** : Select Leafy/Large Leaf types were substantially dearer following special inquiry, whilst the others were irregular and tended easier.

**BOPF** : Rs.20/- per kg easier.

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>940 - 1950</b>	1000 - 1750	<b>800-1240</b>	850-1260

## CTC TEAS

### HIGH GROWN:-

**BP1** - Hardly any offerings.

**PF1** - Teas in the higher price bracket were firm, whilst the others were irregular.

### MEDIUM GROWN:-

**BP1** - Hardly any offerings.

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

### LOW GROWN:-

**BP1** - Tended easier.

**PF1** - Best available were barely steady, whilst the others were irregular and 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>	N/A	N/A	<b>1000 - 1160</b>	1020 - 1120
<b>Medium</b>	<b>800 - 1100</b>	880 - 1080	<b>710 - 1140</b>	740 - 1140
<b>Low</b>	<b>880 - 1080</b>	700 - 1360	<b>640 - 1360</b>	620 - 1360

## OFF GRADES

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

**BOP1A** : Select best BOP1A's held firm. Best Teas advanced Rs.25-50/- per kg on last, whilst below best firm to dearer by 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)	<b>880-1080</b>	880-1020	<b>780-800</b>	780-800	<b>750-800</b>	750-800
Good Fannings (CTC)	<b>775-800</b>	775-800	<b>700-720</b>	700-720	<b>650-820</b>	650-820
Other Fannings (Orthodox)	<b>700-730</b>	700-730	<b>670-700</b>	670-700	<b>600-650</b>	600-650
Other Fannings (CTC)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Good BM's	<b>820-880</b>	820-880	<b>800-930</b>	800-930	<b>820-950</b>	820-950
Other BM's	<b>610-740</b>	610-730	<b>580-750</b>	580-730	<b>580-750</b>	550-730
Best BOP1As	<b>740-800</b>	740-800	<b>810-860</b>	810-840	<b>950-1300</b>	930-1200
Other BOP1As	<b>670-720</b>	650-700	<b>670-760</b>	650-750	<b>670-770</b>	650-750

## DUST

**DUST/DUST1:** High grown select best types maintained last levels whilst their secondaries and below best varieties were irregular and mostly lower. Low Growns were firm to dearer.

**PD** : High grows together with Mid Growns maintained last levels. Low Growns too were 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)	<b>800 - 1600</b>	820 - 1600	<b>780 - 1200</b>	780 - 1300	<b>650 - 1420</b>	650 - 1420
Good Primary PD (CTC)	<b>780 - 1160</b>	800 - 1120	<b>770 - 1180</b>	780 - 1100	<b>680 - 1480</b>	740 - 1480
Secondary Dust	<b>750 - 1140</b>	780 - 1140	<b>760 - 1020</b>	760 - 1060	<b>650 - 940</b>	730 - 880

**WESTERN MEDIUM**

Kenilworth	BOP	1950/-
*Ancoombra	<b>BOP</b>	<b>1600/-</b>
*Harangalla	<b>BOP</b>	<b>1600/-</b>
Dartry Valley	BOP	1600/-
Kenilworth	BOPSP	1850/-
*Vellai Oya	<b>BOPF</b>	<b>1240/-</b>
Windsorforest	BOPFSP	1380/-
Dartry Valley	BOP1	2150/-
Craighead	FBOP	1850/-
*Harangalla	<b>FBOP1</b>	<b>1460/-</b>
*Elkaduwa	<b>FBOPF</b>	<b>980/-</b>
*Uplands	<b>FBOPF</b>	<b>900/-</b>
Harangalla	FBOPF1	1600/-
*Ancoombra	<b>FBOPF1</b>	<b>1550/-</b>
Orange Field	OP	1280/-
*Hatale	<b>OP</b>	<b>1240/-</b>
Dartry Valley	OP	1240/-
Castlemilk	OPA	1240/-
Harangalla	OP1	1800/-
Craighead	OP1	1800/-
Uplands	PEKOE	1950/-
*Meezan	<b>PEKOE</b>	<b>1800/-</b>
Dartry Valley	PEKOE1	2000/-
New Rothschild	PEKOE1	1900/-
*Meezan	<b>PEKOE1</b>	<b>1850/-</b>
Dartry Valley	PEKOE1	1850/-
Harangalla	PEKOE1	1850/-
Craighead	PEKOE1	1850/-

**WESTERN HIGH**

Somerset	BOP	2050/-
Dessford	BOPSP	2050/-
Mattakelle	BOPF	1650/-
Inverness	BOP1	1750/-
Torrington	FBOP	1700/-
Torrington	FBOP1	1360/-
Glenloch	FBOPF1	1440/-
Torrington	OP	1140/-
Cymru	OPA	1120/-
Bambrakelly	OP1	1420/-
Somerset	PEKOE	1700/-
Wattagodde	PEKOE	1700/-
Great Western	PEKOE	1700/-
Frotoft Super	PEKOE1	1750/-

**NUWARA ELIYA**

Lovers Leap	BOP	1900/-
Lovers Leap	BOPF	1420/-
Kenmare	FBOP	1480/-
Court Lodge	FBOP1	700/-
Court Lodge	FBOPF	760/-
Court Lodge	FBOPF1	1340/-
Court Lodge	OP	890/-
Court Lodge	OPA	890/-
Court Lodge	PEKOE1	1240/-

**UVA MEDIUM**

Pettiagalla	BOP	1320/-
Hindagala	BOPSP	1420/-
El Teb	BOPF	1180/-
Dickwella	BOPFSP	1440/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	BOP1	1900/-
*Halpewatta Uva	<b>BOP1</b>	<b>1750/-</b>
Aruna Passara	FBOP	1650/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	FBOP1	1160/-
Hindagala	FBOPF	1120/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	FBOPF1	1600/-
*Halpewatta Uva	<b>FBOPF1</b>	<b>1480/-</b>
Aruna Keppetipola	OP	1240/-
High Spring	OP	1240/-
Pettiagalla	OPA	1200/-
Aruna Passara	OP1	1650/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	OP1	1650/-
Dickwella	PEKOE	1500/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	PEKOE1	1750/-

**UVA HIGH**

Ellathota Uva	BOP	1300/-
Spring Valley	BOPSP	1300/-
Nayabedde	BOPF	1280/-
Uva Highlands	BOPFSP	1000/-
Uva Highlands	BOP1	1650/-
Aislaby	BOP1	1650/-
Ellathota Uva	FBOP	1600/-
Aislaby	FBOP	1600/-
Spring Valley	FBOP1	1100/-
Gonamotawa	FBOPF1	1480/-
Ampittiakande	OP	1220/-
Ranaya	OPA	1200/-
Uva Highlands	OP1	1700/-
Ellathota Uva	PEKOE	1360/-
Ampittiakande	PEKOE1	1750/-

**UDAPUSSELLAWA**

Mooloya	BOP	1120/-
Luckyland	BOPSP	1100/-
*Mooloya	<b>BOPSP</b>	<b>1080/-</b>
*Mooloya	<b>BOPF</b>	<b>1200/-</b>
Delmar	FBOP	1600/-
Delmar	FBOPF1	1420/-
Delmar	OP	1200/-
Maha Uva	OPA	1100/-
Delmar	OP1	1550/-
Maha Uva	PEKOE	1300/-
Maha Uva	PEKOE1	1600/-
Delmar	PEKOE1	1600/-

**LOW GROWN LEAFY GRADES**

*Makandura	<b>BOP1</b>	<b>3000/-</b>
Pothotuwa	BOP1	3000/-
Pothotuwa	OP1	3550/-
Lucky Dais	OP	1650/-
Miriswatta	OP	1650/-
*Green House	<b>OPA</b>	<b>1800/-</b>
Miriswatta	OPA	1800/-
Liyonta	PEKOE	2650/-
Lumbini	PEKOE	2650/-
New Batuwangala	PEKOE1	2650/-

**LOW GROWN TIPPY GRADES**

Mulatiyana Hills	BOP	2000/-
Golden Garden	BOP	2000/-
Aruna	BOP	1950/-
*Mahaliyadda	<b>BOP</b>	<b>1900/-</b>
*New Laksakanda	<b>BOP</b>	<b>1900/-</b>
Stream Line	BOPSP	2000/-
New Rekadahena	BOPSP	1750/-
*Mahaliyadda	<b>BOPSP</b>	<b>1600/-</b>
*New Laksakanda	<b>BOPSP</b>	<b>1600/-</b>
Rajjuruwatta Super	BOPF	1950/-
Ayagama	BOPFSP	1950/-
*Sithaka	<b>FBOP</b>	<b>2550/-</b>
New Batuwangala	FBOP1	2150/-
Kosgahadola Ella	FBOPF	1700/-
Ceyenta	FBOPF	1700/-
New J.S.P	FBOPF1	1750/-
Makandura	FBOPF1	1650/-
Garden Leaf Super	FBOPF1	1650/-
Rumassala Hills	FBOPF1	1650/-
*Hedigalla	<b>FBOPF1</b>	<b>1600/-</b>

**PREMIUM FLOWERY**

*Green House	<b>FBOPFSP</b>	<b>5000/-</b>
Fortune	FBOPFEXSP	5450/-
Belhewan	FBOPFEXSP1	4900/-

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

\*Dunsinane CTC PF1 1160/-

**MEDIUM GROWN**

Duckwari CTC BP1 1100/-

Delta CTC PF1 1140/-

Aultmore CTC BPS 900/-

**LOW GROWN**

Nelunwatta CTC BP1 1080/-

Hingalgoda CTC PF1 1360/-

\*Kalubowitiyana CTC PF1 1320/-

**OFF GRADES**

\*Laksakanda BP 1280/-

Hingalgoda CTC PF 1160/-

Hingalgoda CTC PF 1020/-

\*Chandrika CTC PF 1000/-

Kurunduwatta BM 1240/-

Renukanda FNGS 940/-

\*Wattahena FNGS 920/-

New Spring View A FNGS 920/-

Wanarajah FNGS1 1300/-

Liyonta BOP1A 1360/-

**BOPA**

Bogoda Group BOPA 2000/-

\*Navinda BOPA 1950/-

Kings Bru BOPA 1950/-

New Spring View BOPA 1950/-

**Dust**

Dessford DUST 1140/-

Mattakelle DUST 1140/-

Mattakelle DUST1 1600/-

Ceciliyan CTC PD 1480/-

**LOW GROWN**

\*Andaradeniya Hills DUST 940/-

## COLOMBO AUCTION – WEEKLY GROSS SALE AVERAGES

SALE NO.07 OF 18<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY, 2026

	2026			2025	
	Weekly	Month to Date	Year to Date	Weekly	Year to Date
Uva High Grown	1,030.92	1,037.79	1,024.80	1,016.12	1,038.08
Western High Grown	1,231.83	1,224.85	1,201.52	1,149.63	1,147.70
High Grown	1,175.83	1,174.02	1,148.00	1,116.20	1,112.77
Uva Medium	1,016.57	982.24	968.11	1,044.69	1,062.17
Western Medium	988.67	979.43	981.80	1,036.31	1,026.51
Medium Grown	996.88	980.19	977.56	1,038.50	1,038.51
Low Grown (Orthodox)	1,236.05	1,216.46	1,237.33	1,242.32	1,273.66
Combined L.G. (Orthodox + CTC)	1,217.03	1,199.42	1,219.74	1,228.48	1,260.92
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,173.76</b>	<b>1,159.12</b>	<b>1,167.33</b>	<b>1,176.77</b>	<b>1,196.75</b>

Private Sale Figures (12.02.2026 – 18.02.2026)

269,852.25

Cumulative

1,726,569.25

### DETAILS OF TEAS AWAITING SALE

#### SALE NO: 09

#### SALE NO: 10

Sale of 03<sup>rd</sup> /04<sup>th</sup> Mar. '26

Sale of 10<sup>th</sup> /11<sup>th</sup> Mar. '26

	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>
Low Grown Leafy	2,027	733,484	1,953	694,315
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,440	557,215	1,483	577,101
Low Grown Tippy	1,812	811,342	1,843	818,514
High & Medium	1,084	437,979	1,267	519,138
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,711	1,456,832	2,465	1,279,284
Dust	588	508,925	554	480,312
Premium Flowery	266	35,139	285	36,644
Ex-Estate	<u>789</u>	<u>760,627</u>	<u>797</u>	<u>748,348</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>10,717</u></b>	<b><u>5,301,543</u></b>	<b><u>10,647</u></b>	<b><u>5,153,656</u></b>

## **FUTURE CATALOGUES CLOSURE**

### **Sale No.11 of 17<sup>th</sup> (Tue.)/18<sup>th</sup> (Wed.) March, 2026**

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

### **Sale No.12 of 24<sup>th</sup> (Tue.)/25<sup>th</sup> (Wed.) March, 2026**

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Thursday, 05<sup>th</sup> March, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

### **Sale No.13 of 30<sup>th</sup> (Mon.)/31<sup>st</sup> (Tue.) March, 2026**

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

## **SALE NO. 09**

### **AUCTION OF 03<sup>RD</sup> /04<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2026**

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

## Crop & Weather

**For the period 17<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2026**

### Western/Nuwara Eliya Regions

The Nuwara Eliya Region reported rain, while the Western Region reported bright mornings and evening showers throughout the week. Rain is expected in both regions in the week ahead according to the Department of Meteorology.

### Uva/Uda Pussellawa Regions

The Uva and Uda Pussellawa regions reported showers throughout the week. The Department of Meteorology expects misty conditions in the Uva Region during the week ahead.

### Low Grown

Bright mornings and occasional evening showers were reported in the Low Grown Region during the week. According to the Department of Meteorology, showers/thundershowers are expected in the Low Grown Region in the week ahead.

### Crop Intake

The crop intake in the Western and Nuwara Eliya regions were maintained, whilst the Uva and Low Grown regions reported a decrease during the week.

## WORLD CROP STATISTICS (MKGS)

Country	Month	2024	2025	Difference +/-	To-date 2024	To-date 2025	Difference +/-
SRI LANKA	Jan.	21.60	20.70	-0.9	21.60	20.70	-0.9

Country	Month	2024	2025	Difference +/-	To-date 2024	To-date 2025	Difference +/-
BANGLADESH	Nov.	9.90	10.20	0.3	44.80	39.30	-5.5
KENYA	Nov.	47.41	48.87	1.5	542.64	499.68	-43.0
MALAWI	Nov.	3.20	0.90	-2.3	44.80	39.30	-5.5
NORTH INDIA	Dec.	12.20	61.40	49.2	1076.60	1136.20	59.6
SOUTH INDIA	Dec.	18.40	18.00	-0.4	227.00	233.80	6.8

## OTHER MARKETS

### LIMBE MARKET REPORT SALE 8 - 25 FEBRUARY, 2026.

Improved demand continued this week at generally firm rates following quality for the 6420 packages on offer.

BP1 - tended firm.

PF1 - were firm on last where sold.

PD - were 3USC dearer on last.

D1 - met strong demand at firm to dearer rates.

PF1SC – fetched between 4-14 USC below valuation.

Secondaries sold at irregular rates.

### WEATHER/CROP FOR THE WEEK ENDING 22<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY, 2026.

Useful rainfall were reported in the tea planting districts of Thyolo and Mulanje, total average rainfall ranging between 42-130mm and 39-109mm respectively.

Green leaf intakes were high.

## BANGLADESH AUCTION

### **SALE NO. 42 OF MONDAY, 23<sup>rd</sup> FEBRUARY, 2026**

**CTC LEAF:** 22,299 packages of tea on offer met with a good demand.

**BROKENS:** A small weight of good liquoring Brokens were again a strong market and were mostly firm. Medium varieties met with a good demand and were firm to slightly dearer. Plain types met with little less demand and tended easier with more withdrawals. BLF teas once again met with a strong demand and were fully firm.

**FANNINGS :** Good liquoring Fannings were again a strong market and mostly sold at around last levels. Medium varieties also met with a good demand and were mostly firm to occasionally dearer. Plain types met with little less demand and tended easier with more withdrawals. BLF teas once again met with a strong demand and were fully firm.

**DUST:** 4,216 packages of tea on offer met with a fair demand. Some good liquoring teas met with a good demand and sold at around last levels. Mediums were an easier market Tk. 5/- to Tk.8/- above last levels. Plain and BLFs were in less demand and had more withdrawals than last. Blenders lent strong support with fair interest from the Loose tea buyers.

**COMMENTS:** Good liquoring varieties were well supported by the buyers and sold well at firm to dearer rates. Blenders once again operated strongly with some support from the Loose tea buyers.

Good liquoring Dusts sold well.

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

Brokens	This Week	Last Week	Fannings	This Week	Last Week	Dust	This Week	Last Week
Best	275-280	275-285	Best	275-285	275-285	PD	242-279	247-311
Good	256-265	255-260	Good	257-265	255-260	RD	245-282	245-305
Medium	250-255	248-250	Medium	250-256	248-250	D	245-340	246-329
Plain	245-248	245-247	Plain	245-248	245-247	CD	240-276	245-289
BLF	240-261	230-260	BLF	240-262	240-257	BLF	240-245	240-248

## MOMBASA TEA AUCTION MARKET REPORT

**Sale No.07 of 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY, 2026**

Good general demand prevailed for the 168,881 packages (11,319,656.00 kilos) on offer; 19.15% was unsold.

### MARKET:

**Pakistan Packers, Kazakhstan, and other CIS states** were strong with more enquiry from **Bazaar. Yemen and other Middle Eastern** countries maintained support with **Egyptian Packers** active while **Afghanistan** showed some interest. **UK** were more active with **Russia** lending good enquiry. **South Sudan** showed some participation while **Local Packers** were quiet. **Somalia** maintained activity at the lower end of the market.

### OFFERINGS :

Leaf Grades - 94,480 packages (6,239,853.00 kilos) – 25.72% unsold.  
 Dust Grades - 53,601 packages (4,015,981.00 kilos) – 11.98% unsold.  
 Secondary Grades - 20,800 packages (1,063,822.00 kilos) – 7.79% unsold.

### LEAF GRADES (M2 & M3)

#### **BP1:**

**Best :** Improved absorption advancing by up to USC46 but select lines shed by up to USC14. Met irregular enquiry with some teas dearer by up to USC17 while others were irregularly discounted by up to USC28.

**Brighter:** Were easier by up to USC24 however some invoices sold at USC24 above previous rates.

**Mediums:** KTDA mediums gained by up to USC12 with plantation mediums irregular ranging between USC2 dearer to easier by up to USC23.

**Lower Medium:** Firm to USC6 above previous levels to easier by a similar margin.

**Plainer:** Were steady to USC7 easier.

#### **PF1:**

**Best :** Ranged between firm to USC5 above previous levels for some lines to mostly easier by up to USC12.

**Brighter :** Shed by up to USC5.

**Mediums :** KTDA mediums were irregular and varied between steady to USC3 dearer to easier by USC7 while plantation mediums were firm to USC6 dearer to easier by up to USC4.

**Lower Medium :** Were irregular and ranged between steady to mostly dearer by up to USC18 to easier by up to USC15.

**Plainer :** Met strong competition at firm to USC15 above last levels.

CTC QUOTATIONS	BP1 - USC	PF1 - USC
<b>Best</b>	245 - 499	299 - 360
<b>Good</b>	245 - 320	284 - 326
<b>Good Medium</b>	225 - 285	280 - 305
<b>Medium (KTDA)</b>	170 - 230	242 - 300
<b>Medium (Plantations)</b>	157 - 200	198 - 241
<b>Lower Medium</b>	144 - 180	150 - 220
<b>Plainer</b>	099 - 140	097 - 164

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

**Best:** Saw some irregular enquiry ranging between steady to mostly dearer by up to USC13 to easier by up to USC16.

**Brighter:** Met more irregular interest and varied between firm to USC21 dearer to easier by up to USC16.

**Mediums:** KTDA mediums saw strong support and gained by up to USC10 with plantation mediums steady to USC7 above previous levels

**Lower Medium:** Firm to dearer by up to USC14.

**Plainer:** Steady to USC6 above last rates to easier by up to USC4.

**DUST1:**

**Best:** Mostly held value but some teas were up to USC4 dearer to easier by up to USC6.

**Brighter:** Mostly easier by up to USC8 but some teas were steady to USC7 above last rates.

**Mediums:** KTDA mediums met strong absorption advancing by up to USC17 while plantation mediums were irregular varying between USC6 dearer with most teas shedding by up to USC6.

**Lower Medium:** Gained by up to USC5 but some lines eased by up to USC2.

**Plainer:** Were steady to USC9 above previous levels to USC3 easier.

CTC QUOTATIONS	PDUST - USC	DUST1 - USC
<b>Best</b>	307 - 340	290 - 361
<b>Good</b>	300- 336	260 - 301
<b>Good Medium</b>	250 - 324	264 - 297
<b>Medium (KTDA)</b>	176 - 242	160 - 261
<b>Medium (Plantati ons)</b>	192 - 214	175- 200
<b>Lower Medium</b>	139 - 184	150 - 159
<b>Plainer</b>	100 - 136	100 - 138

**SECONDARY GRADES(S1)**

In the Secondary Catalogues, BPs held value with PFs firm. Clean well-sorted coloury Fannings were steady with a few lines marginally dearer while similar DUSTs held value. Other Fannings were irregular with some teas gaining while others sold below previous levels; DUSTs were firm. BMFs were readily absorbed.

SECONDARY QUOTATIONS (USC)	BP / BP2	PF / PF2	FNGS1/FNGS	DUST / DUST2	BMF
<b>Best / Good</b>	255 - 345	227 - 255	140 - 238	145- 282	-
<b>Good Medium /Medium</b>	-	-	140- 188	120 - 185	-
<b>Lower Medium</b>	140 - 162	115 - 150	106 - 150	096 - 159	103 - 118
<b>Plainer</b>	088 - 135	084 - 130	085 - 117	094 - 116	085- 098



## SOUTH INDIAN ROUNDUP

**FOR THE WEEK ENDING – 21<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY, 2026**

### **KOCHI**

#### **CTC LEAF**

**Demand :** Good Demand. Brokens sold at steady levels with some withdrawals and Fannings were dearer by Rs.1 to 2.

#### **ORTHODOX LEAF**

**Demand :** Good Demand.

**Buying Pattern :** Selected high grown and cleaner, blacker whole leaves sold at substantially dearer levels by Rs.10 and more depending on quality, other whole leaves were dearer by Rs.5 to 8. Primary brokens were steady to dearer. Secondary brokens and 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. Medium and plainer sorts sold irregularly around last levels.

**Market :** Major Packeteers and exporters were active, internal buyers operated.

### **COONOR**

#### **CTC LEAF**

**Demand :** Good.

**Market :** Generally, a steady market, teas across all grades and categories were trading at almost last levels. However, the Fannings across all categories were trading at firm to dearer levels. The sale also witnessed fair withdrawals on the browner, flaky and fibrous teas.

**The overall sale percentage was 88% at an average of Rs.113.43.**

**Buying Pattern:** Fairly strong enquiry was witnessed from the major Blenders and Packeteers whilst the Export was seen lending fair support. On the Internal front Karnataka, Andra Pradesh and the Western Indian markets were operating.

#### **ORTH LEAF**

**Demand :** Strong.

**Market :** Generally a fully firm to dearer market by a Rs.5/- to Rs.10/- and more up to Rs.15/- across all grades and categories.

**The overall sale percentage was 95% at an average of Rs.154.83.**

**Buying Pattern:** Stronger Export enquiry was forthcoming with Shah Brothers and Bhansali being active whilst the Internal were selective.

**CTC DUST**

**Demand :** Strong.

**Market :** Market opened on a barely steady to occasionally dearer levels. As the sale progressed, it had gained momentum and went on to be sold at fully firm to dearer levels across all grades and categories. The price surge was noticed more on the Brighter Liquoring teas. The sale had also witnessed 5 bags of Homedale estate RD fetching Rs.400/- for its winter character.

**The overall sale percentage was 95% at an average of Rs.128.96.**

**Buying Pattern:** The sale had witnessed a fairly strong participation from all quarters of the buyers whilst M/s. Anjaneya Enterprises (M/s. Devgiri Tea Produce Co) continued their patronage on the brighter liquoring teas.

**ORTH DUST**

**Demand :** Fairly strong.

**Market:** Easier trend with the Primary grades mostly selling at Rs.5/- to Rs.10/- and more up to Rs.20/- down sometimes. The Secondaries were trading at firm to dearer by Rs.2/- to Rs.5/- whilst Tertiaries were witnessing a similar trend.

**The overall sale percentage was 90% at an average of Rs.120.92.**

**Buying Pattern:** Fairly good Export enquiry was forthcoming with Internal being selective.

**COIMBATORE****CTC LEAF**

**Demand :** Fair demand.

**Market :** Better medium teas were barely steady to firm with few withdrawals. Medium teas were lower by Rs.2/- with few withdrawals. Plainer teas were irregular and lower by Rs.2/- with some withdrawals.

**Buying Pattern :** Blenders, packeteers and exporters were selective. Internal were active.

**ORTH LEAF**

**Demand :** Good demand.

**Market :** Whole leaf steady. Well-made brokens were irregular and dearer. BOPF's were lower by Rs.1/- with some withdrawals.

**Buying Pattern :** Exporters were active.

**CTC DUST**

**Demand :** Good general demand.

**Market :** Better medium and popular teas were steady to firm. Medium teas were irregular and lower. Plainer teas were lower by Rs.2/- with some withdrawals.

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

**ORTH DUST**

**Demand :** Good demand.

**Market :** Firm.

**Buying Pattern :** Exporters were active.

**February 25, 2026**

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# **TEA NEWS**

**Publication – News Wire**

**Headline – Ceylon Tea-infused wine launched at SL Independence Day reception in Beijing**

**Journalist – N/A**

**Summary** - The Sri Lanka Embassy in Beijing, in partnership with the Sri Lanka Tea Board and Helanhong Winery, launched a wine infused with Ceylon Tea at a diplomatic reception held at the St. Regis Beijing to celebrate Sri Lanka's 78th National Independence Day. The collaboration was facilitated by the Provincial Government of Ningxia as a government-to-government initiative. The embassy also organized a pairing series combining premium Ceylon Tea with wines produced by Helanhong Winery in the Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region. Officials stated that the project represents Sri Lanka's tea heritage and deepening bilateral partnership between the two nations.

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