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*Wishing you a
Happy & Prosperous
Sinhala & Tamil
New Year*



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TEA MARKET REPORT

SALE NO: 14

April 07 & 08, 2026



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COMMENTS

This week's Tea Auction, Sale No.14 was held on April 07(Tue.)/08(Wed), 2026. A total weight of 5.2MKGS was on offer, which shows an increase when compared to the previous week. The Low Grown Leafy, Semi Leafy, Tippy/Small Leaf & Premium Flowery catalogues totaled 2.3MKGS, while the Main Sale High & Medium segment had 0.5MKGS. The Ex Estate category had 0.7MKGS.

There continued to be good demand at today's Ex-Estate sale. Best Western BOP's/BOPF's sold around last levels subject to quality fluctuations. Below best BOP's however tended irregular particularly the high priced teas of last week whilst the plainer teas were Rs.20-40/- per kg dearer. Below best and plainer BOPF's were mostly firm whilst select invoices appreciated Rs.20-40/- per kg towards the close. Nuwara Eliya's in general were fully firm on last levels. Uva/Udapussellawa's teas too sold around last levels. CTC Teas – High & MediumPF's were firm to Rs.20/- per kg dearer with the exception of the poorest/poor leaf which were neglected. Low Grown select PF1's were barely steady whilst others were up to Rs.50/- per kg easier. There were hardly any BP1's on offer this week. There was keen competition from buyers to Japan, the Continent and South Africa whilst the balance were sought after by shippers to Russia, CIS, China and the Tea bag sector.

The overall Low Grown market was similar to the previous week with the majority of the grades selling at firmer to dearer levels. Tippy teas too appreciated this week. There was wide spread demand from most out-markets this week. With the hostilities end early this week in the Middle East, the tea trade is optimistic that demand will improve in the sales ahead.

Sale No.15 will be held on 21st/22nd April, 2026.

We take this opportunity to wish our valued readers a "Happy Sinhala & Tamil" New Year.

This week's auction comprised of **10,849** lots with a total quantity of **5,244,709** Kgs.

The catalogue wise breakdown was as follows:-

In Lighter Vein

*What Part Of The Human Body Increases To 10 Times
It's Normal Size???*

	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>	
Low Grown Leafy	2,039	723,056	The 10 th grade teacher asks Jessica: "What part of the human body increases to 10 times it's normal size when excited?" Jessica responds: "That's disgusting! I don't have to answer that question!" So the teacher asks little Johnny, who responds: "That's easy...the pupil of the eye." "That's correct, Johnny. Very good!" And turning to Jessica, she says: "I've three things to say to you, young lady... first, you didn't do your homework; second, you have a dirty mind; and third, you're in for a big disappointment!"
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,628	647,305	
Low Grown Tippy	1,924	879,257	
High & Medium	1,374	555,954	
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,271	1,118,695	
Dust	633	552,057	
Premium Flowery	185	23,346	
Ex-Estate	<u>795</u>	<u>745,039</u>	
Total	<u>10,849</u>	<u>5,244,709</u>	

LOW GROWN TEAS**LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY**

BOP1 : Select best BOP1's maintained last levels. Balance appreciated Rs.40/- per kg.

OP1 : Well-made OP1's declined by Rs.50/- per kg and the best and below best types appreciated by Rs.50/- per kg.

OP : Well twisted OP's were firm to dearer and the balance too maintained.

OPA : Select best OPA's were maintained and the balance were generally firm.

PEK/PEK1 : Shotty PEK's were firm to lower. Below best and best types were maintained. Well-made PEK1's were maintained. Balance too maintained.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)		BOP1	OP1	OP	OPA	PEK/PEK1
SELECT BEST	This Week	1900-3050	2100-3500	1450-1700	1500-1900	1550-2450
	Last Week	2000-3100	2100-3600	1450-1750	1500-2050	1600-2300
BEST	This Week	1450-1850	1650-2050	1300-1400	1300-1450	1400-1500
	Last Week	1500-1950	1650-2050	1300-1400	1300-1450	1400-1550
BELOW BEST	This Week	1250-1400	1350-1600	1100-1250	1150-1250	1200-1350
	Last Week	1250-1450	1300-1600	1150-1250	1150-1250	1200-1350
SECONDARIES	This Week	1000-1200	1150-1300	900-1050	900-1100	1000-1150
	Last Week	1000-1200	1100-1250	900-1100	900-1100	1000-1150
POOR	This Week	800-950	600-1100	650-850	650-850	800-950
	Last Week	800-950	600-1050	600-650	600-850	850-950

TIPPY/SMALL LEAF

BOP/BOPSP : In general were firm.

BOPF/BOPFSP : Select best and best teas were firm, whilst the others were irregular.

FBOP/FBOP1 : Select best, best type FBOP's were firm to dearer with the cleaner below best and bolder types appreciated. FBOP1's in general were firm.

FBOPF/FBOPF1 : Select best and best FBOPF1's were firm, whilst others were dearer by Rs.50/- per kg. FBOPF's in general were firm.

FBOPFSP : Tippy teas met with strong demand and was dearer by Rs.500-1000/- per kg.

FFEXSP/SP1 : Overall met with strong demand.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)		BOP/ BOPSP	BOPF/ BOPFSP	FBOP/ FBOP1	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	FBOPFSP/ FBOPFEXSP
SELECT BEST	This Week	1750-2250	1460-1950	2250-2850	1550-1950	3800-5550
	Last Week	1700-2100	1460-1950	2200-2550	1550-1850	3550-4300
BEST	This Week	1480-1650	1240-1420	1850-2150	1400-1480	2900-3400
	Last Week	1440-1600	1240-1420	1850-2100	1380-1460	2250-3000
BELOW BEST	This Week	1260-1440	1160-1340	1580-1800	1280-1380	1950-2550
	Last Week	1240-1420	1160-1340	1550-1800	1250-1340	1850-2300
SECONDARIES	This Week	1140-1220	880-1060	1280-1440	1120-1240	1550-1750
	Last Week	1100-1200	880-1080	1260-1420	1080-1200	1400-1650
POOR	This Week	880-1100	720-840	900-1180	900-1080	1000-1420
	Last Week	850-1040	730-860	880-1160	880-1060	1000-1360

MEDIUM GROWN LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY TEAS

FBOP : Select best and best sold around last levels whilst, the others were irregular.

FBOPF/FBOPF1 : Best and below best FBOPF1's were firm to selectively dearer whilst, the others were firm to easier.

PEK/PEK1 : Best PEK1's were firm, others were irregularly easier.

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	1200- 1900	1200- 1800	1150 - 1600	1160 - 1650	720-820	700-800
FBOPF/FBOPF1	1150 - 1750	1150 - 1650	1000 - 1420	1000 - 1450	700 -800	700 -860
PEK/PEK1	1180 - 1900	1200 - 2000	950 - 1240	950 - 1250	740-1080	740-1100

HIGH GROWN TEAS

MARKET : Good demand

BOP: Best Western's sold around last levels subject to quality fluctuations. In the Below Best category, teas in the higher price bracket were irregular, whilst the others together with the Plainer sorts were firm and Rs.20-40/- per kg dearer. Nuwara Eliya's were firm and dearer. Uda Pussellawa's were barely steady. Uva's sold around last week's levels.

BOPF : Best Western's sold around last subject to qualitative fluctuations. Teas in the Below Best and Plainer categories were mostly firm, whilst select invoices appreciated by Rs.20-40/- per kg and more towards the close of the sale. Nuwara Eliya's were firm. Uva/Uda Pussellawa's 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	1360 - 1550	1340 - 1500	1320 - 1600	1340 - 1460
Below Best Westerns	1200 - 1340	1160 - 1320	1260 - 1300	1240 - 1320
Plainer Westerns	1060 - 1180	1080 - 1140	1100 - 1240	1120 - 1220
Nuwara Eliyas	1400 - 1500	N/A	N/A	N/A
Brighter UdaPussellawas	1140 - 1200	1160 - 1180	1220 - 1260	1200 - 1220
Other Uda Pussellawas	980 - 1060	1060 - 1120	1000 - 1160	1000 - 1180
Best Uva's	1240 - 1280	1220 - 1260	1220 - 1300	1220 - 1280
Other Uva's	1140 - 1180	1160 - 1180	1140 - 1200	1140 - 1200

MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

BOP : Select Large Leaf teas continued to sell well, whilst select invoices were substantially dearer following special inquiry. Other Small Leaf types were firm.

BOPF : Select well-made invoices were Rs.20-40/- per kg dearer, whilst the others were barely steady.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BOP		BOPF	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Best Westerns	720 - 1850	780 - 1000	730-1280	750-1360

CTC TEAS

HIGH GROWN:-

BP1 - Hardly any offerings.

PF1 - Mostly firm.

MEDIUM GROWN:-

BP1 - Hardly any offerings.

PF1 - Better sorts were Rs.20-40/- per kg dearer. Others sold around last, whilst the poorest continued to be neglected.

LOW GROWN:-

BP1 - Hardly any offerings.

PF1 - Better teas were barely steady, whilst the others were up to Rs.50/- per kg.

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	890 - 1140	900 - 1200
Medium	700 - 750	700 - 710	650 - 1180	640 - 1100
Low	750 - 1300	1320 - 1340	700 - 1350	610 - 1400

OFF GRADES

FGS/FGS1 : Select best liquoring FNGS/FNGS1's firm on last week levels. Low Grown select best FNGS/FNGS1's firm to dearer by Rs.10/- per kg, whilst others slightly lower. Select best BM's advanced Rs.25-50/- per kg, others firm to dearer Rs.20-40/-per kg. Lower end teas firm to dearer Rs.10-30/-.

BOP1A : Select best BOP1A's firm on last. Best firm to lower Rs.20/- per kg, whilst below best firm on last. Lower end teas held firm.

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)	850-1240	880-1200	620-710	620-710	640-720	640-720
Good Fannings (CTC)	620-650	620-670	580-660	580-660	620-660	620-660
Other Fannings (Orthodox)	580-670	580-670	580-650	580-650	580-650	580-650
Other Fannings (CTC)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Good BM's	720-840	720-830	720-840	720-830	780-950	750-880
Other BM's	530-680	530-660	530-590	510-670	500-710	500-670
Best BOP1As	740-800	740-800	790-860	790-860	880-1200	880-1200
Other BOP1As	630-680	630-680	680-700	680-700	650-720	650-720

DUST

DUST/DUST1: High grown select best types lost Rs.40-50/- per kg, whilst their secondaries were firm on last levels. Mid grown teas met with fair general demand and gained Rs.30-40/- per kg. Low Growns were firm to dearer.

PD : High Growns together with Mid Growns gained Rs.30-50/- per kg. Low Growns were Rs.30-60/- per kg 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)	760 - 1600	760 - 1650	730 - 1180	700 - 1180	700 - 1340	670 - 1120
Good Primary PD (CTC)	800 - 1200	820 - 1140	800 - 1140	800 - 1060	800 - 1480	820 - 1340
Secondary Dust	650 - 1160	600 - 1080	630 - 750	620 - 740	600 - 940	580 - 960

WESTERN MEDIUM

Kenilworth	BOP	1850/-
*Ancoombra	BOP	1800/-
Kenilworth	BOPSP	1650/-
*Vellai Oya	BOPF	1280/-
*Vellai Oya	BOPF	1260/-
*Ancoombra	BOPFSP	1320/-
Harangalla	BOP1	1950/-
New Rothschild	FBOP	1900/-
Craighead	FBOP1	1420/-
*Dartry Valley	FBOP1	1320/-
*Hatale	FBOPF	810/-
*Ancoombra	FBOPF1	1750/-
Kenilworth	OP	1320/-
Inguruwatte Super	OP	1320/-
Dartry Valley	OPA	1360/-
Craighead	OP1	1850/-
*Dartry Valley	PEKOE	1400/-
*Ingurugala	PEKOE	1400/-
Harangalla	PEKOE	1400/-
New Rothschild	PEKOE	1400/-
New Fernland	PEKOE	1400/-
Castlemilk	PEKOE	1400/-
Dartry Valley	PEKOE1	1900/-
*Hatale	PEKOE1	1850/-
Harangalla	PEKOE1	1850/-
Doombagastalawa	PEKOE1	1850/-
New Rothchild	PEKOE1	1850/-
*Harangalla	PEKOE1	1800/-
*Meezan	PEKOE1	1800/-

WESTERN HIGH

Bogawantalawa	BOP	1550/-
Bogawantalawa	BOPSP	1600/-
Mattakelle	BOPF	1600/-
Somerset	FBOP	1800/-
Inverness	FBOP1	1180/-
Frotoft Super	FBOPF1	1440/-
Inveress	FBOPF1	1440/-
Venture	OP	1320/-
Kirkoswald	OPA	1200/-
Kirkoswald	OP1	1600/-
Great Western	PEKOE	1460/-
Wattegodde	PEKOE	1460/-
Frotoft Super	PEKOE1	1700/-

NUWARA ELIYA

Lovers Leap	BOP	1500/-
Kenmare	BOPF	980/-
Kenmare	BOP1	1380/-
Kenmare	FBOPF	730/-

UVA MEDIUM

Halpewatte Uva	BOP	1600/-
Dickwella	BOPSP	1460/-
Aruna Passara	BOPF	1320/-
Dickwella	BOPFSP	1440/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	BOP1	1900/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	FBOP	1800/-
Dickwella	FBOP1	1420/-
*Roseland Uva	FBOP1	1220/-
Halpewatte Uva	FBOPF	1200/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	FBOPF1	1550/-
Wewesse	OP	1380/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	OP	1380/-
*Roseland Uva	OPA	1340/-
Sarnai Plaiderie	OP1	1700/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	PEKOE	1550/-
Aruna Passara	PEKOE1	1800/-
High Spring	PEKOE1	1800/-

UVA HIGH

Ellathota Uva	BOP	1400/-
Battawatta	BOPSP	790/-
Nayabedde	BOPF	1300/-
Uva Highlands	BOPFSP	920/-
Uva Highlands	BOP1	1650/-
Craig	FBOP	1480/-
Aislaby	FBOP1	1220/-
*Battawatte	FBOP1	1120/-
Ellathota Uva	FBOPF1	1500/-
Spring Valley	OP	1400/-
Aislaby	OPA	1200/-
Aislaby	OP1	1650/-
Ellathota Uva	PEKOE	1360/-
Aislaby	PEKOE	1360/-
Craig	PEKOE1	1800/-

UDAPUSSELLAWA

Kirklees	BOP	1200/-
Mooloya	BOP	1200/-
*Mooloya	BOPSP	1140/-
Kirklees	BOPSP	1140/-
*Mooloya	BOPF	1260/-
Delmar	FBOP	1460/-
Maha Uva	FBOP1	800/-
Maha Uva	FBOPF	820/-
Delmar	FBOPF1	1440/-
Maha Uva	OP	1260/-
Delmar	OPA	1220/-
Delmar	OP1	1550/-
High Forest	PEKOE	980/-
Blairlmond	PEKOE1	1600/-
Delmar	PEKOE1	1600/-

LOW GROWN LEAFY GRADES

Gunawardana	BOP1	3050/-
*Sithaka	BOP1	3000/-
Lions	OP1	3500/-
Bulathsinhala Tea	OP	1700/-
Miriswatta	OP	1700/-
*New Galagawa	OP	1650/-
*Lenama Hills	OP	1600/-
*Navinda	OP	1600/-
Miriswatta	OPA	1900/-
Lumbini	PEKOE	2450/-
Adams View	PEKOE	2450/-
*Makandura	PEKOE	2200/-
Galatara	PEKOE1	2300/-
Mulatiyana Hills	PEKOE1	2300/-
*New Laksakanda	PEKOE1	2250/-
*Kurunduwatta	PEKOE1	2200/-

LOW GROWN TIPPY GRADES

*New Laksakanda	BOP	2250/-
*New Mount Carmel	BOP	1950/-
*Mahaliyadda	BOP	1900/-
*Nawagamuwahena	BOP	1900/-
*Elaine Super	BOPSP	2200/-
Rajjuruwatta Super	BOPF	1950/-
*Sithaka	BOPF	1550/-
*Hidellana	BOPF	1460/-
Kings Bru	BOPFSP	1850/-
*Sithaka	FBOP	2850/-
*Andaradeniya S	FBOP1	1850/-
Aruna	FBOP1	1850/-
*New Nivithigala	FBOP1	1800/-
*Ganganee	FBOP1	1750/-
*Hidellana	FBOP1	1750/-
Golden Garden	FBOPF	1900/-
Kings Bru	FBOPF1	1950/-
Adams View	FBOPF1	1700/-
*Sithaka	FBOPF1	1600/-

PREMIUM FLOWERY

*Green House	FBOPFSP	5550/-
Yalta	FBOPFEXSP	4950/-
Ceyenta	FBOPFEXSP1	4250/-

CTC TEAS**HIGH GROWN**

Dunsinane CTC	PF1	1140/-
Frotoft CTC	PF1	1140/-

MEDIUM GROWN

Birchwood CTC	BP1	750/-
Strathdon CTC	PF1	1180/-

LOW GROWN

Ceciliya CTC	BP1	1300/-
Hingalgoda CTC	PF1	1380/-

OFF GRADES

Bogoda	BP	1260/-
*Narangalla Sup.	BP	1220/-
*Laksakanda	BP	1180/-
*Chandrika Est.	PF	810/-
Gunawardana	BM	1140/-
*Avisawella	BM	1120/-
*Tea Lanka	BM	1080/-
*Wattahena	FNGS	940/-
Wanarajah	FNGS1	1240/-
Bogawantalawa	FNGS1	1240/-
Liyonta	BOP1A	1320/-
Aldora	BOP1A	1260/-
*Chandrika Est.	BOP1A	1220/-

BOPA

Kings Bru	BOPA	2050/-
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Dust

Mattakelle	DUST	1160/-
*Labookelle	DUST	1140/-
Mattakelle	DUST1	1800/-
Ceciliya CTC	PD	1480/-

WESTERN MEDIUM

*Kothmale Hills	DUST	750/-
*Vellai Oya	DUST1	1180/-

LOW GROWN

*Wattahena	DUST	960/-
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COLOMBO AUCTION – WEEKLY GROSS SALE AVERAGES

SALE NO.13 OF 31st MARCH, 2026

	2026			2025	
	Weekly	Month to Date	Year to Date	Weekly	Year to Date
Uva High Grown	1,078.82	1,042.01	1,022.02	1,119.61	1,056.23
Western High Grown	1,196.62	1,216.03	1,202.25	1,149.47	1,155.10
High Grown	1,169.19	1,172.48	1,151.66	1,139.98	1,127.26
Uva Medium	1,073.89	1,010.73	982.99	1,148.69	1,089.41
Western Medium	984.19	973.27	976.00	1,045.78	1,035.30
Medium Grown	1,007.69	982.19	978.02	1,081.19	1,051.53
Low Grown (Orthodox)	1,236.87	1,208.92	1,228.19	1,245.87	1,270.76
Combined L.G. (Orthodox + CTC)	1,215.87	1,189.91	1,211.49	1,228.91	1,257.47
Total	1,177.35	1,154.47	1,163.52	1,185.06	1,198.69

Private Sale Figures (26.03.2026 – 31.03.2026)

232,004.00

Cumulative

3,217,855.02

DETAILS OF TEAS AWAITING SALE

SALE NO: 15

SALE NO: 16

Sale of 21st /22nd Apr. '26

Sale of 27th/28th Apr. '26

	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>
Low Grown Leafy	2,039	723,056	2,057	730,953
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,628	647,305	1,510	596,495
Low Grown Tippy	1,924	879,257	1,885	857,856
High & Medium	1,374	555,954	1,704	748,072
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,271	1,118,695	2,096	1,058,198
Dust	633	552,057	578	501,790
Premium Flowery	185	23,346	264	34,955
Ex-Estate	<u>795</u>	<u>745,039</u>	864	827,879
Total	<u>10,849</u>	<u>5,244,709</u>	<u>10,958</u>	<u>5,356,198</u>

NATIONAL ELEVATIONAL AVERAGES – FEBRUARY, 2026

Elevation	MONTH		TO-DATE	
	QUANTITY -KG-	AVERAGE -RS./KGS-	QUANTITY -KG-	AVERAGE -RS./KGS-
ORTHODOX				
UVA-HIGH	1,117,710	1,035.29	3,432,299	1,034.25
WESTERN-HIGH	3,009,157	1,234.23	8,112,519	1,231.98
UVA-MEDIUM	821,506	1,008.10	2,741,950	983.86
WESTERN-MEDIUM	1,611,391	990.02	4,542,546	992.41
LOW	13,282,939	1,211.19	36,523,701	1,229.71
TOTAL	19,842,702	1,178.41	55,353,014	1,186.27
CTC				
UVA -HIGH	76,801	1,140.65	277,073	1149.38
WESTERN- HIGH	432,286	1,083.29	1,206,326	1,103.03
WESTERN - MEDIUM	954,527	946.93	2,688,570	978.40
LOW	1,054,405	955.20	2,867,640	958.26
TOTAL	2,518,019	979.71	7,039,609	998.28
COMBINED (Orthodox/ CTC)				
UVA-HIGH	1,194,511	1,042.06	3,709,372	1,042.85
WESTERN-HIGH	3,441,443	1,215.27	9,318,845	1,215.29
UVA-MEDIUM	821,506	1,008.10	2,741,950	983.86
WESTERN-MEDIUM	2,565,918	973.99	7,231,116	987.20
LOW	14,337,344	1,192.36	39,391,341	1,209.95
TOTAL	22,360,721	1,156.03	62,392,623	1,165.06

FUTURE CATALOGUES CLOSURE

Sale No.17 of 05th (Tue.)/06th (Wed.) May, 2026

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Thursday, 09th April, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

Sale No.18 of 12th (Tue.)/13th (Wed.) May, 2026

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Thursday, 23rd April, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

Sale No.19 of 19th (Tue.)/20th (Wed.) May, 2026

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Thursday, 30th April, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

SALE NO. 15

AUCTION OF 21TH /22ND APRIL, 2026

BROKERS' SELLING ORDER

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

Crop & Weather

For the period 31st March to 04th April, 2026

Western/Nuwara Eliya Regions

The Western and Nuwara Eliya regions experienced bright mornings and evening showers during the week. Rain is expected in both regions in the week ahead according to the Department of Meteorology.

Uva/Uda Pussellawa Regions

Sunny weather conditions and occasional rain was reported in both regions throughout the week. According to the Department of Meteorology, misty conditions are expected during the early morning hours and dry weather during the day in the Uva Region in the week ahead.

Low Grown

Bright weather was reported in the Low Grown Region during the week. The Department of Meteorology expects showers in the Low Grown Region in the week ahead.

Crop Intake

All regions reported an increase in the crop intake.

WORLD CROP STATISTICS (MKGS)

Country	Month	2025	2026	Difference +/-	To-date 2025	To-date 2026	Difference +/-
SRI LANKA	Feb.	15.60	17.90	2.3	37.30	38.70	1.4
NORTH INDIA	Jan.	0.30	0.60	0.3	0.30	0.60	0.3
SOUTH INDIA	Jan.	5.30	5.20	-0.1	5.30	5.20	-0.1
NORTH INDIA	Feb.	10.78	4.11	-6.7	10.85	6.26	-4.6
SOUTH INDIA	Feb.	14.62	12.54	-2.1	31.70	24.89	-6.8

Country	Month	2024	2025	Difference +/-	To-date 2024	To-date 2025	Difference +/-
KENYA	Nov.	47.41	48.87	1.5	542.64	499.68	-43.0

HOLIDAY NOTICES

Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd (LCBL)

Please be informed that our Head Office will be closed for the Sinhala & Tamil New Year from **Monday 13th April to Wednesday 15th April, 2026** and will **re-open on 16th April, 2026**

However, our **Finance Dept.** will be open on **Wednesday 15th April, 2026** as it is a buyer's prompt day.

Our stores and Sample Room will be closed from **Saturday 11th April to Wednesday 15th April, 2026.**

Asia Siyaka Warehousing (Pvt) Ltd

Please note that the warehouse of Asia Siyaka will be closed for Sinhala & Tamil New Year from Monday, **13th April to Wednesday, 15th April, 2026** and will **re-open** on **16th April, 2026.**

Malwatte Valley Plantations Warehouse Complex

The above warehouse will be closed for business **from the afternoon of April 11 to 15, 2026** and their normal operations will resume on **April 16, 2026.**

John Keells Warehousing (Pvt) Ltd

Please note that the above warehouse will be closed for Sinhala & Tamil New Year from Monday, **13th April to Wednesday, 15th April, 2026** and will **re-open** on **16th April, 2026.**

Dilmah Ceylon Tea Company PLC and MJF Exports (Pvt) Ltd

Please note that the Warehouse Complex of the above buyers will be closed **from 11th to 19th April, 2026** and work will **commence on the 20th April, 2026.**

Uni World Teas (Pvt) Ltd

Please note that the Warehouse Complex of the above buyer will be closed **from 12th to 16th April, 2026.**

Ceylon Tea Plantation Exports (Pte) Ltd (CTPE)

Please be advised that office and warehouse will be closed from **April 11th to 19th (both days inclusive)** due to the Sinhala & Tamil New Year. We will open to work from **20th April, 2026.**

OTHER MARKETS

MOMBASA TEA AUCTION MARKET REPORT

Sale No.13 of 30TH & 31ST MARCH, 2026

There was good general demand for the 145,019 packages (9,731,637.00 kilos) on offer; 15.94% remained unsold.

MARKET:

There was more support from **Pakistan Packers, Kazakhstan** and **other CIS states** with **Yemen, other Middle Eastern countries** and **Egyptian Packers** strong. **Afghanistan** improved enquiry while **Bazaar** remained active; **UK** maintained participation. There was some enquiry from **Russia** with **South Sudan** active. **Local Packers** were operating while **Somalia** continued active at the lower end of the market.

OFFERINGS :

Leaf Grades - 77,860 packages (5,159,739.00 kilos) - 16.13% unsold.
 Dust Grades - 48,741 packages (3,650,672.00 kilos) - 15.27% unsold.
 Secondary Grades - 18,418 packages (921,226.00 kilos) - 16.93% unsold.

LEAF GRADES (M2 & M3)

BP1:

Best : More enquiry at irregularly dearer levels by up to USC41 but some teas shed by up to USC13.

Brighter: Irregular varying between USC9 dearer to USC8 below previous levels.

Mediums: KTDA mediums were firm to mostly dearer by up to USC14 to easier by up to USC5 for a few lines. Plantation mediums saw improved enquiry gaining by up to USC22.

Lower Medium: Steady to mostly dearer by up to USC11.

Plainer: Were up to USC11 above previous rates with select teas easier by up to USC8.

PF1:

Best : Irregular ranging between firm to mostly dearer by up to USC12 while some lines were easier by up to USC4.

Brighter : Were dearer by up to USC6.

Mediums : KTDA mediums were steady to mostly dearer by up to USC9 with plantation mediums advancing by up to USC13.

Lower Medium : Held firm to USC11 dearer.

Plainer : Irregularly gained by up to USC15 for most types.

CTC QUOTATIONS	BP1 - USC	PF1 - USC
Best	255 - 408	287 - 352
Good	250 - 313	279 - 324
Good Medium	230 - 282	279 - 294
Medium (KTDA)	170 - 208	248 - 278
Medium (Plantations)	160 - 182	190 - 237
Lower Medium	135 - 172	150 - 220
Plainer	090 - 150	092 - 154

DUST GRADES (M1)**PDUST:**

- Best:** Saw irregular enquiry with some teas appreciating by up to USC14 but other invoices shed up to USC5.
- Brighter:** Advanced by up to USC14.
- Mediums:** KTDA mediums irregularly gained by up to USC22 with plantation mediums dearer by up to USC5.
- Lower Medium:** Were firm to mostly dearer by up to USC10 to easier by up to USC2.
- Plainer:** Steady to irregularly dearer by up to USC10 but some lines lost up to USC5.

DUST1:

- Best:** Were firm to dearer by up to USC9 but a few lines were USC3 below previous levels.
- Brighter:** Gained by up to USC13.
- Mediums:** KTDA mediums appreciated by up to USC13 with plantation mediums advancing by up to USC9.
- Lower Medium:** USC6 above previous levels to easier by up to USC5.
- Plainer:** Were dearer by up to USC15.

CTC QUOTATIONS	PDUST - USC	DUST1 - USC
Best	280 - 338	280 - 364
Good	262 - 310	254 - 302
Good Medium	225 - 290	240 - 290
Medium (KTDA)	180 - 249	186 - 256
Medium (Plantations)	189 - 221	170 - 204
Lower Medium	152 - 199	150 - 164
Plainer	100 - 142	099 - 140

SECONDARY GRADES(S1)

In the Secondary Catalogues, best **BPs** held value while others tended easier with most teas remaining unsold; **PFs** were firm to dearer. Clean well sorted coloury **Fannings** were absorbed at steady to irregularly dearer rates with **similar DUSTs** selling at previous levels. **Other Fannings** were barely steady while **DUSTs** held value. **BMFs** were well absorbed.

SECONDARY QUOTATIONS (USC)	BP / BP2	PF / PF2	FNGS1/FNGS	DUST / DUST2	BMF
Best / Good	254 - 322	-	162 - 205	142 - 285	-
Good Medium /Medium	-	-	140 - 186	125 - 190	-
Lower Medium	122 - 150	118 - 156	106 - 152	090 - 126	090 - 108
Plainer	090 - 094	090 - 136	085 - 116	087 - 110	072 - 094



SOUTH INDIAN ROUNDUP

FOR THE WEEKENDING – 04TH APRIL, 2026

KOCHI

CTC LEAF

Demand : No sale.

ORTHODOX LEAF

Demand :
Buying Pattern : } No Sale.

Market :

DUST

Demand :
Buying Pattern : } No Sale.

Market :

COONOR

CTC LEAF

Demand : Fairly good.

Market : Market was tending irregularly lower by Rs. 1/- to Rs. 2/- in general with fair withdrawals. The withdrawal percentage was more on the larger brokens of the mediums and on the better mediums that was on offer.

The overall sale percentage was 79% at an average of Rs. 108.08.

Buying Pattern: Major Blenders and Regional Packeteers were active whilst the exporters lent fair support operating mostly on the Fannings. The Internal participation was rather cautious.

ORTH LEAF

Demand : Good

Market : An irregular market mostly on an easier trend with the Brokens and Fannings were down by Rs. 2/- to Rs. 5/- and more sometimes following quality. However the Whole leaf grades were rather barely steady and dearer on the popular marks.

The overall sale percentage was 85% at an average of Rs. 152.28.

Buying Pattern: A very strong Export enquiry was forthcoming with internal being very selective.

CTC DUST**Demand :** Fairly good.**Market :** The market witnessed an easier trend on the Brighter liquoring teas and on the Bolder dust grades of the mediums. However the Red and finer dust grades which were fairly blacker and cleaner have held their levels. The sale had also witnessed some withdrawals mostly on the common teas.**The overall sale percentage was 83% at an average of Rs. 124.90.****Buying Pattern:** Fairly strong export enquiry was forthcoming on the major quantity that was traded with fair support from the major Blenders. The internal was rather selective.**ORTH DUST****Demand :** Good.**Market:** The primary dust grades were tending irregularly easier with the popular marks trading at fully firm to dearer levels. The Secondaries and Tertiaries also witnessed a similar trend.**The overall sale percentage was 88% at an average of Rs. 138.13.****Buying Pattern:** Yet again predominately an export operation was forthcoming with select internal enquiry.**COIMBATORE****CTC LEAF****Demand :** Fair demand.**Market :** Better medium and popular marks were lower by Rs.3/- with some withdrawals. Medium teas were lower by Rs.2/-. Plainer teas were lower with few withdrawals.**Buying Pattern :** Blenders, packeteers and exporters were active. Internal were selective.**ORTH LEAF****Demand :** Fair demand.**Market :** Whole leaf steady. Brokens were lower by Rs.5/- to Rs.7/- and suffered heavy withdrawals. BOPF 's were irregular and lower.**Buying Pattern :** Exporters were active.**CTC DUST****Demand :** Good general demand.**Market :** Better medium and popular sorts were irregular and lower by Rs.1/- to Rs.2/-. Medium teas were lower by Rs.1/- to Rs.2/- with few withdrawals. Plainer teas were fully firm to occasionally dearer.**Buying Pattern :** All sections were active.**ORTH DUST****Demand :** Fair demand.**Market :** Barely steady.**Buying Pattern :** Exporters were active.**April 08, 2026****-/tp.**

INTERNATIONAL TEA NEWS

Tea Industry in Kenya Earns KSh 218.8 Bn Despite Global Economic Shocks

The Tea Industry in Kenya earned KSh 218.79 billion in Exports, this performance propped up by radical reforms in the sector and expansion into new markets.

While presenting the 2025 Kenya's Tea Industry Performance Report in Embu, Agriculture and Livestock Development Cabinet Secretary Mutahi Kagwe said the sector is back on the saddle despite global supply chain shocks.

According to the Report, the Tea industry in Kenya recorded sterling performance against the backdrop of Global economic shocks, slow expansion of the world, internal conflicts in some of the key markets and a stronger exchange rate of the Kenya Shilling against the US\$.

During the year 2025, the total marketed value for tea amounted to KSh. 218.79 Billion. This was an increase of 2% from the marketed value of KSh. 215.21 Billion recorded in 2024, and 11% from KSh 196.97 Billion recorded in 2023.

Out of the total marketed value of KSh 218.79 Billion, KSh. 186.91 Billion was from exports, KSh. 19.13 Billion from local sales and KSh 12.75 Billion from committed stocks.

Increase in the total marketed value for tea was largely due to higher export earnings attributable to increased uptake by key markets.

During the year 2025, the export volume increased by 9.81% (58.30 Million Kgs) from 594.50 Million Kgs recorded during the previous year to 652.80 Million Kgs.

This Increase was attribute to high volumes of unsold stocks carried over from the year 2023 and 2024, respectively.

Owing to high export volume, the export earnings recorded improved performance of 2.87% (KSh. 5.22 Billion) to stand at KSh. 186.91 Billion from KSh. 181.69 Billion recorded in 2024.

However, compared to the year 2024, the export prices and the exchange rate to the US\$ were less favourable to the earnings.

The average export unit price of tea was slightly lower in dollar terms at US\$ 2.21 per Kg compared to US\$ 2.27 in 2024 while the mean exchange rate of the Kenya Shillings to the US\$ was lower at 129.50 compared to 134.82.

LOCAL

Publication – Virakesari

Headline – Kenya’s Green Gold under Siege – Tea industry reeling from Middle East conflict

Journalist – N/A

Summary - Tea exports from Kenya's Rift Valley are facing disruption as the Middle East conflict affects key trade routes. Shipments are being delayed and stored in warehouses due to logistical challenges. The situation is impacting tea producers and supply chains linked to export markets. Small scale tea farmers are facing uncertainty with reduced market access. The disruption reflects the wider impact of geopolitical tensions on the global tea trade.
