

TEA MARKET REPORT

SALE NO: 21

June 2 & 3, 2026



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COMMENTS

This week's Tea Auction, Sale No.21 was held on June 2(Tue.)/3(Wed.), 2026. A total weight of 6.1MKGS was on offer, which shows a similar quantity when compared to the previous week. The Low Grown Leafy, Semi Leafy, Tippy/Small Leaf & Premium Flowery catalogues totaled 2.5MKGS, while the Main Sale High & Medium segment had 0.8MKGS. The Ex Estate category had 0.9MKGS.

At the Ex-Estate sale held today, an overall irregular trend was witnessed following a decline in quality with a larger weight of plainer teas available. In the Western category, a few select best BOP's/BOPF's invoices where quality was maintained were firm to Rs.20-40/-dearer. The balance BOP's were Rs.50-100/- lower for the lighter/thin liquors whilst BOPF's in this category were firm to Rs.20-40/- dearer. Plainer BOP's/BOPF's were generally sold around last levels. The majority of the Nuwara Eliya's were unsold due to lack of suitable offers. Uva/Udapussellawa BOP's sold around last levels whilst their corresponding BOPF's tended irregularly lower following quality. CTC Teas - High & Medium PF1's declined Rs.50/- and more for lighter/thinner liquoring types whilst some remained neglected due to lacks of suitable bids. Low Grown PF1's sold around last levels. There was hardly any BP1's on offer this week too. The majority of the buyers were selective in their purchases this week in anticipation of the large volumes ahead in future sales.

Low Grown prices continued to be fully maintained in all categories with the exception of bright tippy varieties which tended irregular. There was widespread demand from the majority of the active buyers. the majority of the active buyers.

This week's auction comprised of **11,769** lots with a total quantity of **6,185,662** Kgs. *In Lighter Vein*

The catalogue wise breakdown was as follows:-

Work Benefits

	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>	
Low Grown Leafy	2,169	893,542	A woman, searching for a job, inquired about the benefits. The Personnel Manager informed her they had group health and life insurance, but the costs were deducted from the employee's pay.
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,577	663,018	
Low Grown Tippy	1,948	933,425	She said, "My last employer had full health coverage, as well as five years' salary for life insurance and a month's sick leave AND they paid the full premiums."
High & Medium	1,773	802,982	
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,436	1,266,123	"I can't help but ask madam why you would leave a job with such benefits, the interviewer replied.
Dust	673	626,875	
Premium Flowery	255	36,227	The woman shrugged her shoulders and said, "The company went bankrupt."
Ex-Estate	<u>938</u>	<u>963,470</u>	
Total	<u>11,769</u>	<u>6,185,662</u>	

LOW GROWN TEAS

LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY

BOP1 : Best teas were irregular to lower. Balance too tended irregular.

OP1 : Select best and best types were irregular to lower. However, balance held firm.

OP : Teas in the best category maintained, whilst balance tended irregular.

OPA : Select best teas were firm, whilst the balance were irregular to lower.

PEK/PEK1 : Best PEK's sold around last week levels, whilst the balance were irregularly lower. Select best PEK1's were maintained, and the balance too declined by Rs.50/-.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)		BOP1	OP1	OP	OPA	PEK/PEK1
SELECT BEST	This Week	1800-3450	1900-3750	1550-1900	1550-1950	1650-2550
	Last Week	1850-3550	2000-3650	1600-1800	1600-1900	1650-2500
BEST	This Week	1600-1750	1600-1850	1300-1500	1350-1500	1450-1600
	Last Week	1650-1800	1600-1950	1400-1550	1400-1550	1450-1600
BELOW BEST	This Week	1400-1550	1350-1550	1150-1250	1200-1300	1150-1400
	Last Week	1450-1600	1400-1550	1200-1350	1250-1350	1200-1400
SECONDARIES	This Week	1200-1350	1200-1300	1000-1100	1100-1150	1000-1100
	Last Week	1250-1400	1200-1350	1050-1150	1100-1200	1050-1150
POOR	This Week	1000-1150	750-1150	700-950	700-1050	800-950
	Last Week	1000-1200	800-1150	750-1000	750-1050	800-1000

TIPPY/SMALL LEAF

BOP/BOPSP : In general were firm.

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

FBOP/FBOP1 : Select best and best FBOP's were firm to dearer, whilst bolder FBOP types were irregular, balance were easier.

FBOPF/FBOPF1 : Select best and Best FBOPF1's were firm on last, whilst the lower end teas were irregularly lower.

FBOPFSP : A few select best invoices appreciated, others were fully firm.

FFEXSP/SP1 : Overall market was dearer and met with good demand.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)		BOP/ BOPSP	BOPF/ BOPFSP	FBOP/ FBOP1	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	FBOPFSP/ FBOPFEXSP
SELECT BEST	This Week	1600-1900	1480-1900	2300-2750	1550-2000	5000-6200
	Last Week	1600-1950	1500-1900	2250-2700	1500-1850	4800-6350
BEST	This Week	1420-1500	1320-1420	1850-2150	1440-1480	3800-4600
	Last Week	1440-1550	1340-1440	1800-2100	1420-1460	3460-4400
BELOW BEST	This Week	1280-1380	1120-1280	1500-1800	1240-1340	2500-3400
	Last Week	1300-1400	1160-1300	1550-1750	1260-1360	2250-3200
SECONDARIES	This Week	1080-1200	870-960	1360-1460	1120-1200	1800-2050
	Last Week	1100-1200	900-1120	1380-1480	1140-1220	1850-2050
POOR	This Week	840-1020	710-840	950-1200	880-1080	1280-1500
	Last Week	870-1020	740-890	960-1240	900-1100	1280-1550

MEDIUM GROWN LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY TEAS

FBOP : Well-made FBOP's appreciated following quality, whilst the balance appreciated up to a lesser extent.

FBOPF/FBOPF1 : In general were firm to irregularly dearer.

PEK/PEK1 : Best PEK1's were firm whilst the best with mixed varieties depreciated.

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 - 2450	1240 - 2450	1000 - 1500	1000 - 1550	800 - 940	800 - 950
FBOPF/FBOPF1	1150 - 1700	1200 - 1700	900 - 1400	950 - 1400	770 - 1100	750 - 1100
PEK/PEK1	1000 - 1900	1100 - 1900	850 - 1100	880 - 1100	750 - 880	700 - 880

HIGH GROWN TEAS

MARKET : A few Westerns were selectively dearer, whilst the others together with the Nuwara Eliyas and Uva/Uda Pussellawas were irregular following quality

BOP: Better Western's - A few select invoices were firm and Rs.20-40/- per kg dearer following special inquiry, whilst the others were irregular and easier by Rs.50-100/- per kg, particularly for the lighter/thinner liquoring types. In the Below Best category, select invoices where quality was maintained sold around last week's levels, whilst the others were irregular. Plainer sorts at the lower end of the market appreciated by up to Rs.50/- per kg and more for select coloury invoices. Nuwara Eliya's were mostly unsold. Uda Pussellawa's - Select coloury invoices gained by up to Rs.50/- per kg, whilst the others sold around last. Uva's - A few select coloury invoices appreciated marginally, whilst the others sold around last.

BOPF : Better Western's - A few select invoices, where quality was maintained, were firm and Rs.20-40/- per kg dearer, whilst the others were firm and Rs.20/- per kg easier. In the Below Best category, teas in the higher price bracket were firm, whilst the others together with teas at the lower end of the market were firm and Rs.20-40/- per kg dearer. Nuwara Eliya's were mostly unsold. Uda Pussellawa's were irregular following quality. Uva's - Select coloury types were firm, whilst the others declined by up to Rs.50/- per kg.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BOP		BOPF	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Best Westerns	1280 - 1420	1280 - 1400	1300 - 1400	1280 - 1400
Below Best Westerns	1100 - 1260	1120 - 1260	1140 - 1280	1100 - 1260
Plainer Westerns	900 - 1060	900 - 1080	900 - 1120	900 - 1080
Nuwara Eliyas	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Brighter UdaPussellawas	920 - 1060	900 - 920	960 - 1160	960 - 1060
Other Uda Pussellawas	800 - 840	810 - 830	800 - 850	800 - 900
Best Uva's	900 - 1000	N/A	1140 - 1180	1160 - 1220
Other Uva's	N/A	940	900 - 1080	960 - 1080

MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

BOP : Large Leaf teas continued to sell well, whilst the others were irregular.

BOPF : Well-made types were mostly firm, whilst the poorer sorts were neglected and mostly unsold.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BOP		BOPF	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Best Westerns	820 - 1750	800 - 1750	650-1260	690-1220

CTC TEAS

HIGH GROWN:-

BP1 - Hardly any offerings.

PF1 - Declined by Rs.50/- per kg and more the lighter and thinner liquoring types.

MEDIUM GROWN:-

BP1 - Irregular.

PF1 - A few select coloury invoices were firm and Rs.20-40/- per kg easier, whilst the others were mostly unsold due to a lack of suitable bids.

LOW GROWN:-

BP1 - Hardly any offerings.

PF1 - Sold around last.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BP1		PF1	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
High	-	820	800 - 1000	800 - 1040
Medium	600 - 1020	600 - 850	630 - 1020	620 - 1060
Low	800 - 1420	600 - 1420	620 - 1460	620 - 1460

OFF GRADES

FGS/FGS1 : Select best liquoring FNGS/FNGS1's were firm to easier Rs.75-100/- per kg. Low Grown select best FNGS/FNGS1's firm on last sale, whilst others too lost Rs.25-50/-. Select best BM's firm to dearer Rs.10-20/- per kg, others firm on last. Lower end teas firm on last levels.

BOP1A : Select best BOP1A's firm on last. Best teas lost Rs.50-70/- per kg, whilst below best and lower end teas declined Rs.25-50/- 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)	700-1200	750-1100	570-750	630-770	600-810	630-850
Good Fannings (CTC)	625-650	620-650	600-650	580-660	600-650	620-660
Other Fannings (Orthodox)	580-680	620-720	600-640	600-670	550-640	600-680
Other Fannings (CTC)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Good BM's	720-810	730-800	750-810	750-800	730-900	750-880
Other BM's	570-720	570-720	580-750	580-750	650-760	600-760
Best BOP1As	710-760	720-760	710-810	730-810	760-1300	800-1300
Other BOP1As	630-700	630-740	640-710	640-750	620-740	640-750

DUST

DUST/DUST1: High Grown liquoring DUST/DUST1's eased Rs.50-80/- and more at times, whilst their secondaries were irregular and mostly lower. Mid grown teas declined Rs.50-100/-. Low grows were Rs.40-80/- easier.

PD : High grows together with Mid Grows declined Rs.50-100/-. Low grows maintained 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)	600 - 1500	650 - 1650	620 - 1100	650 - 1140	580 - 1000	600 - 1220
Good Primary PD (CTC)	550 - 1060	670 - 1120	560 - 960	640 - 980	550 - 1360	630 - 1280
Secondary Dust	560 - 1160	620 - 1020	540 - 790	640 - 670	560 - 940	550 - 1260

WESTERN MEDIUM

Dartry Valley	BOP	1750/-
*Galgewatta	BOP	1700/-
Greenwood	BOP	1700/-
*Harangalla	BOP	1600/-
Windsoforest	BOPSP	1420/-
Vellai Oya	BOPF	1260/-
*Vellai Oya	BOPF	1220/-
Dartry Valley	BOPFSP	1300/-
Nayapane	BOPFSP	1300/-
Harangalla	BOP1	1700/-
Harangalla	FBOP	2450/-
*Hatale	FBOP	2350/-
*Hatale	FBOP	2250/-
*Harangalla	FBOP1	1400/-
*Orange Field	FBOP1	1380/-
Harangalla	FBOP1	1380/-
Craighead	FBOPF1	1700/-
*Ancoombra	FBOPF1	1600/-
*Harangalla	FBOPF1	1550/-
*Galgewatte	OP	1380/-
Dartry Valley	OPA	1340/-
*Hatale	OPA	1280/-
*Galgewatte	OP1	1750/-
New Fernland	PEKOE	1600/-
Harangalla	PEKOE	1550/-
*Orange Field	PEKOE	1500/-
*Meezan	PEKOE	1500/-
*Hatale	PEKOE	1500/-
*Harangalla	PEKOE1	1900/-
Uplands	PEKOE1	1900/-
*Galgewatta	PEKOE1	1850/-
*Hatale	PEKOE1	1850/-
Craighead	PEKOE1	1850/-

WESTERN HIGH

Mattakelle	BOP	1420/-
Somerset	BOP	1420/-
Norwood	BOP	1420/-
Mattakelle	BOPSP	1460/-
Mattakelle	BOPF	1400/-
Dessford	BOPF	1400/-
Torrington	BOP1	1550/-
Inverness	FBOP	1600/-
Cymru	FBOP1	1240/-
Inverness	FBOPF1	1420/-
Torrington	OP	1160/-
Cymru	OPA	1240/-
Venture	OP1	1500/-
Ingestre	PEKOE	1650/-
Frotoft Super	PEKOE1	1550/-

NUWARA ELIYA

Court Lodge	BOPSP	1020/-
Kenmare	FBOP	1850/-
Kenmare	FBOPF1	1300/-
Kenmare	OP1	1160/-
Kenmare	PEKOE	1320/-
Lovers Leap	PEKOE1	1420/-

UVA MEDIUM

Halpewatte Uva	BOP	1400/-
Aruna Keppetipola	BOPSP	1360/-
*Halpewatte Uva	BOPSP	1300/-
El Teb	BOPF	1080/-
Dickwella	BOPFSP	1420/-
Dickwella	BOP1	1900/-
*Halpewatta Uva	FBOP	1700/-
*Roseland Uva	FBOP	1650/-
Dickwella	FBOP1	1500/-
Hindagala	FBOPF	1000/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	FBOPF1	1550/-
Aruna Keppetipola	OP	1320/-
Haputale Super	OPA	1280/-
Misty Uva	OPA	1280/-
Aruna Keppetipola	OP1	1650/-
Misty Uva	PEKOE	1460/-
Aruna Keppetipola	PEKOE	1460/-
*Halpewatta Uva	PEKOE1	1850/-

UVA HIGH

Aislaby	BOP	1040/-
Ranaya	BOPSP	1550/-
Nayabedde	BOPF	1180/-
Bandaraeliya	BOPF	1180/-
Ranaya	BOPFSP	1160/-
Uva Highlands	BOP1	1650/-
Aislaby	FBOP	2000/-
Uvakellie	FBOP1	1100/-
Gonamotawa	FBOPF1	1420/-
Ellathota Uva	OP	1240/-
Spring Valley	OPA	1300/-
Aislaby	OP1	1650/-
Ranaya	PEKOE	1440/-
Ranaya	PEKOE1	1800/-

UDAPUSSELLAWA

Kirleesa	BOP	1020/-
*Mooloya	BOP	980/-
Kirklees	BOPSP	960/-
*Mooloya	BOPF	1160/-
Maha Uva	BOP1	1650/-
Blairlmond	FBOP	1650/-
Maha Uva	FBOP1	1260/-
Blairlmond	FBOPF	1220/-
Blairlmond	FBOPF1	1380/-
Maha Uva	OP	1320/-
Blairlmond	OPA	1240/-
Maha Uva	OP1	1550/-
Delmar	OP1	1550/-
Blairlmond	PEKOE	1400/-
Maha Uva	PEKOE1	1550/-

LOW GROWN LEAFY GRADES

Pothotuwa	BOP1	3450/-
Gunawardana	BOP1	3250/-
*Sithaka	BOP1	3100/-
Pothotuwa	OP1	3750/-
Miriswatta	OP	1900/-
Karagoda	OP	1700/-
Dampahala	OP	1700/-
Kumudu	OP	1700/-
Green Lanka	OP	1700/-
Ceyenta	OP	1700/-
Wathurawila	OP	1700/-
Mulatiyana Hills	OP	1700/-
Lucky Dais	OP	1700/-
Andaradeniya	OP	1700/-
Berubeula	OP	1700/-
Co-Op Cola	OP	1700/-
Rotumba	OP	1700/-
*Green House	OP	1650/-
Miriswatta	OPA	1950/-
*Green House	OPA	1800/-
Liyonta	PEKOE	2550/-
*Andaradeniya S	PEKOE1	2400/-

LOW GROWN TIPPY GRADES

*N.Mount Carmel	BOP	1900/-
*Makandura	BOP	1900/-
New Vithanakande	BOP	1900/-
Nawagamuwahena	BOP	1900/-
*New Nivithigala	BOPSP	1950/-
*Andaradeniya S	BOPSP	1900/-
Lellopitiya Super	BOPSP	1900/-
Rajjuruwatte S	BOPF	1900/-
*Karawita	BOPF	1800/-
*Nawagamuwahena	BOPF	1650/-
Kings Bru	BOPFSP	1900/-
Adams View	FBOP	2750/-
Kirwanaganga	FBOP1	2400/-
New Vithanakande	FBOP1	2150/-
*New Nivithigala	FBOP1	1850/-
*Sithaka	FBOP1	1850/-
*Maleesha Group	FBOP1	1850/-
Rathmalgoda Sup.	FBOPF	2000/-
*New Nivithigala	FBOPF	1900/-
*Katanwila	FBOPF	1900/-
*New Laksakanda	FBOPF	1850/-
Fortune	FBOPF1	1950/-

PREMIUM FLOWERY

Renukanda	FBOPFSP	6200/-
Magedara	FBOPFEXSP	5450/-
Green Lanka	FBOPFEXSP	5200/-
*New Galagawa	FBOPFEXSP	4650/-
Kings Bru	FBOPFEXSP1	5950/-

CTC TEAS**HIGH GROWN**

*Dunsinane CTC PF1 1000/-

MEDIUM GROWN

Duckwari CTC BP1 1020/-

Strathdon CTC PF1 1020/-

Aultmore CTC BPS 730/-

LOW GROWN

Ceciliyan CTC BP1 1420/-

Hingalgoda CTC PF1 1460/-

OFF GRADES

Wewelkandura S BP 1420/-

Hingalgoda CTC PF 1060/-

New Spring View BM 1180/-

*Wattahena BM 1100/-

Mihimuthu FNGS 1040/-

Wattegodde FNGS1 1240/-

Mattakelle FNGS1 1240/-

Liyonta BOP1A 1260/-

Aldora BOP1A 1260/-

*Chandrika Est. BOP1A 1240/-

BOPA

*Wattahena BOPA 1900/-

Danawala BOPA 1900/-

Kings Bru BOPA 1900/-

Hedigalla BOPA 1900/-

Rotumba BOPA 1900/-

Magedara BOPA 1900/-

*Navinda BOPA 1850/-

*New Galagawa BOPA 1850/-

*Green House BOPA 1850/-

Dust

Wattegodde DUST 1160/-

Great Western DUST1 1500/-

Bearwell DUST1 1500/-

Ceciliyan CTC PD 1360/-

WESTERN MEDIUM

*Vellai Oya DUST1 1100/-

COLOMBO AUCTION – WEEKLY GROSS SALE AVERAGES

SALE NO.20 OF 26TH MAY, 2026

	2026			2025	
	Weekly	Month to Date	Year to Date	Weekly	Year to Date
Uva High Grown	978.65	1,065.21	1,042.574	1,000.61	1,050.03
Western High Grown	1,124.66	1,161.10	1,193.64	994.86	1,120.06
High Grown	1,080.79	1,128.50	1,148.34	996.93	1,098.24
Uva Medium	983.08	1,060.57	1,027.59	1,073.59	1,090.66
Western Medium	950.24	983.89	980.58	990.13	1,028.99
Medium Grown	963.92	1,013.21	995.75	1,018.82	1,048.48
Low Grown (Orthodox)	1,334.49	1,311.64	1,252.15	1,285.25	1,269.94
Combined L.G. (Orthodox + CTC)	1,308.53	1,282.45	1,233.61	1,265.66	1,256.39
Total	1,194.81	1,196.17	1,177.12	1,166.92	1,188.60

Private Sale Figures (21.05.2026 – 26.05.2026)

240,449.50

Cumulative

5,033,260.95

DETAILS OF TEAS AWAITING SALE

SALE NO: 22

SALE NO: 23

Sale of 09th /10th June, '26

Sale of 16th /17th June, '26

	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>
Low Grown Leafy	2,231	917,460	2,415	1,011,364
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,638	687,947	1,706	715,095
Low Grown Tippy	2,051	955,419	2,059	946,687
High & Medium	1,870	837,295	1,905	887,800
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,490	1,326,435	2,582	1,385,561
Dust	749	704,304	547	517,085
Premium Flowery	306	43,141	355	50,850
Ex-Estate	975	1,017,527	985	1,020,281
Total	<u>12,310</u>	<u>6,489,528</u>	<u>12,554</u>	<u>6,534,724</u>

FUTURE CATALOGUES CLOSURE

Sale No.24 of 22nd (Mon.)/23rd (Tue.) June, 2026

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Thursday, 04th June, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

Sale No.25 of 30th (Tue.) June/01st (Wed.) July, 2026

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Thursday, 11th June, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

Sale No.26 of 07th (Tue.) July /08th (Wed.) July, 2026

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Thursday, 18th June, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

SALE NO.22

AUCTION OF 09TH /10TH JUNE, 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. John Keells PLC	1. Eastern Brokers PLC	1. Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC
2. Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd	2. John Keells PLC	2. Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd
3. Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC	3. Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC	3. Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC
4. Eastern Brokers PLC	4. Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd	4. Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd
5. Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC	5. Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC	5. John Keells PLC
6. Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd	6. Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd	6. Eastern Brokers PLC
7. Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	7. Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	7. Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
8. Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	8. Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	8. Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd

Crop & Weather

For the period 26th May to 02nd June, 2026

Western/Nuwara Eliya Regions

Bright weather and occasional showers were experienced in the Western and Nuwara Eliya regions during the week. Showers are 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 bright weather throughout the week. The Department of Meteorology expects rain in both regions in the week ahead.

Low Grown

The Low Grown Region experienced bright weather and evening showers during the week. According to the Department of Meteorology, showery conditions are expected in the Low Grown Region in the week ahead.

Crop Intake

All regions reported a decrease in the crop intake.

WORLD CROP STATISTICS (MKGS)

<i>Country</i>	<i>Month</i>	<i>2025</i>	<i>2026</i>	<i>Difference +/-</i>	<i>To-date 2025</i>	<i>To-date 2026</i>	<i>Difference +/-</i>
SRI LANKA	April.	26.46	24.22	-2.2	88.62	83.94	-4.6
BANGLADESH	Feb.	0.03	0.02	0.0	0.34	0.60	0.3
MALAWI	Feb.	6.70	5.60	-1.1	12.00	10.80	-1.2
NORTH INDIA	Mar.	52.08	49.05	-3.0	62.93	55.31	-7.6
SOUTH INDIA	Mar.	15.77	17.81	2.0	47.47	42.70	-4.8

<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>
KENYA	Dec.	55.83	50.69	-5.1	598.47	550.37	-48.1

OTHER MARKETS

LIMBE MARKET REPORT SALE 22 HELD ON 3 JUNE, 2026

There was fair demand at irregular rates for the 4780 packages on offer.

BP1 sold 8USC below valuation.

PF1 – Bright liquoring invoices tended firm where sold, lesser sorts were not supported.

PD were all taken out.

D1 – N/A

PF1SC – Single invoice sold 1USC dearer on last, balance were taken out.

Secondary fngs sold at irregular rates.

WEATHER/CROP FOR THE WEEK ENDING 31ST MAY, 2026.

Dry weather conditions were experienced, the days were warm with cold nights.

Green leaf intakes were down on last.

BANGLADESH AUCTION

SALE NO. 05 OF MONDAY, 01ST JUNE, 2026

CTC LEAF: 38,311 packages of teas on offer met with a strong demand.

BROKENS: Well made, good liquoring BOPs continued to meet with a good demand with prices easing slightly. GBOPs met with a strong demand and prices were about steady in line with quality. Below best were again in good demand and sold at around last levels. Plain varieties met with a fair demand but at easier rates. BLF teas continued to meet with a strong demand but prices were easier over last.

FANNINGS: Well made, good liquoring Fannings were a strong market with prices being firm to slightly easier following quality. Below best met with a good demand and sold at around last levels. Plain varieties met with a fair demand but at easier rates. BLF teas continued to meet with a strong demand but prices were easier over last.

DUST: 9,181 packages of teas on offer met with quite a good demand. Well made good liquoring Dusts sold well with Tk.3/- to Tk.5/- less than last. Mediums were also in good demand and sold Tk.5/- to Tk.8/- less than last. Remainders also met with fair demand with Tk. 6/- to Tk.10/- less than last. Blenders lent strong support with fair interest from the Loose tea buyers.

COMMENTS: Today's sale was held following the Eid holidays. There was more demand this week from all sections of the market particularly the Blenders who lent useful support for all varieties. It was heartening to see that there were fewer withdrawals this week.

Dusts were an easier market.

Quotations – This Week – (In Taka)

Brokens	This Week	Last Week	Fannings	This Week	Last Week	Dust	This Week	Last Week
Best	285-300	290-305	Best	285-295	288-300	PD	250-324	280-295
Good	278-283	280-283	Good	278-283	280-285	RD	252-313	248-306
Medium	268-273	270-275	Medium	268-273	270-275	D	265-314	250-316
Plain	250-260	255-266N	Plain	250-260	255-265N	CD	220-319	260-327
BLF	250-270	246-276	BLF	251-271	251-280	BLF	220-283	248-266

MOMBASA TEA AUCTION MARKET REPORT

Sale No.21 of 25TH & 26TH MAY, 2026

There was less demand for the 175,114 packages (11,883,860.00 kilos) on offer with 29.31% unsold.

MARKET:

Pakistan Packers lent good support with **Yemen** and **other Middle Eastern countries** maintaining activity at lower levels. **Bazaar, Kazakhstan** and **other CIS states** continued selective with less purchases from **Afghanistan**. **Egyptian Packers** and **UK** were active with **Russia** showing more interest; **South Sudan** maintained participation. **Local Packers** lent some enquiry while **Somalia** were more active at the lower end of the market.

OFFERINGS :

Leaf Grades - 99,400 packages (6,630,316.00 kilos) - 38.23% unsold.
Dust Grades - 57,440 packages (4,302,732.00 kilos) - 20.79% unsold.
Secondary Grades - 18,274 packages (950,812.00 kilos) - 7.55% unsold.

LEAF GRADES (M2 & M3)

BP1:
Best : Mostly easier by up to USC25 with some irregularly and heavily discounted by up to USC47. Select lines however were up to USC32 above previous levels.
Brighter: Irregular enquiry ranging between USC15 above last levels to easier by a similar margin.
Mediums: KTDA mediums were irregularly easier by up to USC20 with Plantation mediums well competed for at dearer rates advancing by up to USC36 but some teas lost by up to USC16.
Lower Medium: Eased by up to USC11.
Plainer: Irregular and ranged between USC15 dearer for some lines to easier by up to USC6.

PF1:
Best : Saw more irregular enquiry support firm to USC12 dearer for some invoices to mostly easier by up to USC20.
Brighter : Some teas were steady to irregularly easier by up to USC5
Mediums : KTDA mediums saw good absorption at firm to USC5 above previous levels to easier by up to USC11. Plantation mediums were irregularly easier by up to USC15.
Lower Medium : Irregularly discounted by up to USC5 with some teas USC17 below previous levels.
Plainer : The lower end categories were steady to USC15 above previous levels with other categories irregularly easier by up to USC10.

CTC QUOTATIONS	BP1 - USC	PF1 - USC
Best	270 - 384	275 - 346
Good	250 - 287	265 - 300
Good Medium	225 - 275	260 - 278
Medium (KTDA)	165 - 210	212 - 256
Medium (Plantations)	170 - 268	176 - 214
Lower Medium	155 - 176	150 - 202
Plainer	114 - 159	103 - 154

DUST GRADES (M1)**PDUST:**

Best: Irregularly shed by up to USC10 but a few select teas were up to USC4 above previous levels.

Brighter: Steady to irregularly easier by up to USC9.

Mediums: KTDA mediums mostly eased by up to USC14 with select lines steady to USC4 dearer while plantation mediums met irregular interest ranging between firm to USC5 above last levels for some teas to easier by up to USC9.

Lower Medium: Steady to easier by up to USC5; a few lines gained by up to USC3.

Plainer: Irregularly discounted by up to USC10.

DUST1:

Best: Irregularly shed by up to USC8.

Brighter: Were irregularly easier by up to USC10.

Mediums: KTDA mediums irregularly lost by up to USC12 with a few invoices USC4 above last levels while plantation mediums eased by up to USC5.

Lower Medium: Some teas advanced by up to USC7 while others were steady to USC4 below previous levels.

Plainer: Were easier by up to USC8.

CTC QUOTATIONS (USC)	PDUST - USC	DUST1 - USC
Best	250 - 324	262 - 347
Good	241- 274	256 - 282
Good Medium	232 - 252	250- 280
Medium (KTDA)	175 - 234	180- 258
Medium (Plantations)	190 - 210	178 - 196
Lower Medium	158 - 185	160 - 171
Plainer	117 - 159	122 - 161

SECONDARY GRADES(S1)

In the Secondary Catalogues, best **BPs** held value while others were discounted; **PFs** were steady to dearer. Clean well sorted coloury **Fannings** appreciated with **similar DUSTs** firm. **Other Fannings** were steady to dearer while **DUSTs** tended easier. **BMFs** were well absorbed at dearer levels.

SECONDARY QUOTATIONS (USC)	BP / BP2	PF / PF2	FNGS1/FNGS	DUST / DUST2	BMF
Best / Good	241 - 322	217-270	160 - 228	140 - 304	-
Good Medium /Medium	-	-	154 - 181	132 - 184	-
Lower Medium	138 - 174	139 - 162	115 - 158	115 - 158	106 - 114
Plainer	101 - 140	092 - 139	080 - 129	080 - 129	089 - 102



SOUTH INDIAN ROUNDUP

FOR THE WEEKENDING – 30TH MAY, 2026

KOCHI

CTC LEAF

Demand : Fair Demand: All grades sold irregularly around last levels with some withdrawals.

ORTHODOX LEAF

Demand : Good Demand.

Buying Pattern : Whole leaves tended easier except for some of the blacker and cleaner OP varieties fetched almost steady levels. Primary brokens were fully firm over last. Secondary brokens and Fannings sold at easier levels by Rs.2 to 4.

Market : CIS & Middle East Buyers operated.

DUST

Demand : Fair Demand.

Buying Pattern : Popular marks and better mediums sold irregularly around last levels. Medium and plainer sorts sold at an easier note by Rs.2 to 3.

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

COONOOR

CTC LEAF

Demand : Strong.

Market : Market generally had witnessed a firm to dearer trend after a long time as teas across all grades and categories traded Rs.2/- to 5/- and more up to Rs.10/- on the brighter liquoring teas. The BOPF's which have had less demand till last week were also traded at dearer levels.

The overall sale percentage was 96% at an average of Rs.102.28.

Buying Pattern: The strong enquiry was continued from the major blenders and packeteers. The export demand was fairly strong on the larger brokens and on the fannings. The internal participation was very selective or rather subdued

ORTH LEAF

Demand : Good.

Market : Market for the fairly cleaner brokens was steady to firm and dearer, whilst the discoloured and secondary teas have dropped in prices by Rs.3/- to 5/-. The whole leaf grades also witnessed a price drop of Rs.5/- to 10/- and more sometimes following quality. The sale had witnessed some withdrawals without any bids.

The overall sale percentage was 85% at an average of Rs.130.90.

Buying Pattern: Good export enquiry was forthcoming with select internal participation witnessed.

CTC DUST

- Demand :** Strong.
- Market :** The dearer trend has continued on the CTC dust as well, as prices generally moved up by Rs. 2/- to 3/- and more on the blacker and cleaner teas. The prices for the brighter liquoring teas too have moved up further due to strong demand.
The overall sale percentage was 93% at an average of Rs.109.90.
- Buying Pattern:** A very strong export enquiry was forthcoming whilst the major blender and packeteers lending fairly good support. M/s. Anjaneya Enterprises (M/s Devagiri Tea Produce Co.) was the only bright spot, otherwise subdued internal participation.

ORTH DUST

- Demand :** Fairly Strong.
- Market:** Steady to firm and occasionally dearer for the primary dust grades and the secondaries, Tertiaries were rather irregular.
The overall sale percentage was 90% at an average of Rs.114.33.
- Buying Pattern:** Yet again, fairly strong export enquiry was noticed with very select internal participation.

COIMBATORE**CTC LEAF**

- Demand :** Good demand.
- Market :** Better medium broken and popular teas were irregular. Medium teas were firm to dearer by Re.1/- to Rs.2/-. Plainer teas were irregular and dearer by Re.1/- to Rs.2/-.
- Buying Pattern :** Blenders, packeteers and exporters were active. Internal were selective.

ORTH LEAF

- Demand :** Good general demand.
- Market :** Whole leaf steady. Medium broken were irregular and lower by Re.1/- to Rs.2/-. BOPF lower by Rs.2/-.
- Buying Pattern :** Exporters were active.

CTC DUST

- Demand :** Good general demand.
- Market :** Better medium and popular teas were irregularly lower by Re.1/- to Rs.2/- with few withdrawals on bolder grades. Medium teas were irregularly lower by Rs.2/- to Rs.3/- sometimes more with few withdrawals. Plainer teas were barely steady to lower.
- Buying Pattern :** Blenders and packeteers were selective. Exporters and internal were active.

ORTH DUST

- Demand :** Fair demand.
- Market :** Steady.
- Buying Pattern :** Exporters were active.

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TEA NEWS – INTERNATIONAL

Health Benefits of Tea: Should You Drink It Every Day?

How Green Tea, Black Tea and Herbal Tea Support Health and What To Consider

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After water, tea is one of the most consumed beverages in the world, enjoyed across cultures and generations. From a morning cup of green tea to a calming mug of chamomile at night, drinking tea is often tied to comfort and routine.

Beyond taste, tea has also long been connected to wellness. Research continues to explore the many health benefits of tea, including its potential role in overall well-being.

Understanding the different types of tea, where they come from and what makes each one unique can make it easier to choose options that fit your preferences and daily routine.

Some popular teas, such as chamomile and lavender, may help with stress and sleep..

— Laura E. Wargo, RD

Where Tea Comes From

Most traditional teas come from the *Camellia sinensis* plant. What makes each tea different is how the tea leaves are processed after they're harvested. These steps affect both the flavor and the color of the tea.

Different processing methods, such as oxidation and drying, create the familiar varieties:

- **Green tea:** Lightly processed to keep a fresh, grassy flavor
- **Black tea:** Processed more than other teas, giving it a darker color and stronger taste
- **White tea:** Minimally processed for a lighter, more delicate flavor

In contrast, herbal tea is not made from the tea plant. Instead, it's created from dried herbs, flowers, spices or roots, such as chamomile, ginger, cinnamon and dandelion. Because of this, herbal tea is naturally caffeine-free.

Health Benefits of Drinking Tea

Tea has been widely studied for its potential role in supporting health.

Research shows that tea contains antioxidants and plant compounds that may help protect cells from everyday stress and reduce inflammation. This is why tea is often described as having anti-inflammatory effects.

Some studies also suggest that drinking tea regularly may be linked to reduced risks of certain medical conditions, including cognitive decline and heart disease.

Drinking tea isn't a replacement for medical care, but it can be a simple, everyday habit that supports long-term well-being.

Benefits of Different Types of Tea

Green tea

Green tea is one of the most studied types of tea when it comes to health benefits. It contains antioxidants that may support heart health, brain function and metabolism. Matcha, a finely powdered green tea made from whole leaves, contains similar compounds in a more concentrated form.

Black tea

Black tea can support heart health and alertness. It contains more caffeine than green tea but less than coffee, which may provide a more balanced energy boost.

An 8-ounce cup of black tea has about 40 to 90 milligrams of caffeine, compared with 20 to 50 milligrams in green tea and about 95 milligrams in coffee.

Because black tea contains caffeine, it can interfere with sleep or cause restlessness, especially if you drink it later in the day.

White tea

White tea is lightly processed and contains antioxidants similar to green tea, though less research is available. It is often chosen for its mild flavor.

Herbal tea

The benefits of drinking herbal tea depend on the ingredients:

- **Chamomile tea** may help promote relaxation and sleep.
- **Ginger tea** and **peppermint tea** may help with digestion and nausea.
- **Cinnamon tea** may support blood sugar balance.
- **Dandelion tea** is often used to support digestion.

Because herbal teas are caffeine-free, they are often a good choice as part of your bedtime routine.

“While there isn’t enough data to confirm these teas are a solution for stress relief or better sleep, some popular teas, such as chamomile and lavender, may help with stress and sleep,” says [Laura E. Wargo, RD](#), a registered dietitian at Northwestern Medicine.

How Much Tea Should You Drink?

Tea can support your hydration goals and count toward your daily fluid intake. Even caffeinated teas can help keep you hydrated when you drink them in moderation. For most adults, drinking one to four cups of tea per day is the recommended range. This allows you to enjoy the potential benefits of tea without consuming too much caffeine.

Are There Risks to Drinking Too Much Tea?

“To achieve some of the health benefits linked to tea, such as a lower risk of stroke and Type 2 diabetes, it would require drinking fairly large amounts of tea regularly,” says Wargo. “[Previous research](#) shows that drinking a large amount of some teas may increase exposure to trace amounts of metals, such as lead, aluminum, arsenic and cadmium.”

At the same time, a 2025 [Northwestern University study](#) found that brewing tea may help reduce exposure to certain heavy metals. Tea leaves can absorb small amounts of these contaminants during steeping, and longer steeping times can increase this effect.

Some herbal teas, such as St. John’s wort, chamomile and ginkgo biloba, may also contain active ingredients that can interact with medications. These interactions can

affect how the medications are absorbed, metabolized or how effectively they work. If you take medications, talk with your doctor before drinking herbal teas.

How To Choose Your Tea for Maximum Benefits

When choosing tea, a few simple tips can help you get the most benefit:

- Look for simple ingredient lists.
- Choose loose-leaf tea or basic tea bags when possible.
- Limit bottled teas, which often contain added sugars.
- Check the amount of caffeine, especially if you're sensitive to it.
- Follow recommended brewing times and temperatures to maximize flavor and antioxidant content.

Brewing tea at home can make it easier to have more oversight of the flavor, strength and ingredients.

Being mindful of how much caffeine and added sugar you consume throughout the day can also be helpful. The [U.S. Food and Drug Administration \(FDA\)](#) recommends limiting caffeine to about 400 milligrams per day — roughly the amount in two to three 12-ounce cups of coffee.

Added sugar can add up quickly, especially in sweetened or bottled teas. The [American Heart Association](#) recommends keeping added sugars to no more than 6% of calories per day, which is about 6 teaspoons (25 grams) per day for women and 9 teaspoons (36 grams) per day for men.

Making Tea Part of Daily Life

Tea doesn't have to replace other drinks — it can simply become part of your daily routine. Try green tea in the morning, black tea in the afternoon and herbal tea in the evening.

Over time, matching different teas to different parts of your day can support hydration and help build a routine that feels easy to maintain.
