TEA MARKET REPORT

SALE NO: 31

August 11 & 12, 2026

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COMMENTS

This week's Tea Auction, Sale No.31 was held on August 11(Tue.)/ 12(Wed.), 2026. A total weight of 5.8MKgs 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 2.4MKgs, while the Main Sale High & Medium segment had 0.6MKgs. The Ex Estate category had 0.9MKgs.

This week's Ex-Estate sale was an outcry version which was held at the Ceylon Chamber of Commerce auditorium with the presence of a large no of buyers and visitors.

Demand at the Ex-Estate sale saw improved inquiry in particular for the better Western with buyer following quality closely whilst the balance teas on offer saw no significant change. However, teas at the lower end of the market witnessed many withdrawals due to lack of suitable offers. N'Eliyas remained unsold for yet another week. Uva seasonal teas continued to sell well at premium levels whilst non-seasonal teas remained steady around last levels. Udapussellawa teas on average lost Rs.20-40/-. CTC Teas – The better High & Medium PF1's were generally steady whilst others tended irregular. Low grown PF1's sold well around last levels.

The best Western seasonal teas were sought after by shippers to Japan and the Continent whilst the were accounted for by Russia, CIS and China with limited interest from the tea bag sector.

The overall market across all Low Grown catalogues were fully maintained. Tippy sorts too sold at last levels with the exception of the lower end teas being irregular following quality. There was widespread demand from most exporters.

This week's auction comprised of **11,897** lots with a total quantity of **5,830,076** Kgs.

The catalogue wise breakdown was as follows:-

	Lots	Qty. (Kgs)
Low Grown Leafy	2,319	861,422
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,714	684,753
Low Grown Tippy	1,964	886,419
High & Medium	1,576	644,744
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,457	1,224,170
Dust	670	604,379
Premium Flowery	304	40,876
Ex-Estate	893	883,313
Total	**11,897**	**5,830,076**

In Lighter Vein

PHD

Two old friends crossed paths after not seeing one another for almost a decade.

Utkarsh: "What are you doing these days?"

Sparsh: "PHD."

Utkarsh: "Wow! You're a doctor!"

Sparsh: "No, Pizza Home Delivery."

LOW GROWN TEAS

LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY

BOP1 : Select best invoices were generally lower, balance too declined.

OP1 : OP1's, in general, were dear.

OP : Best OP's tended irregular, balance were easier.

OPA : Select best invoices tended irregular, whilst the balance were declined.

PEK/PEK1 : Select Best PEK's were firm, whilst the balance were generally lower. Well made PEK1's were firm, whilst the balance were easier.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)		BOP1	OP1	OP	OPA	PEK/PEK1
SELECT BEST	This Week	**2000-3050**	**2000-3400**	**1350-1700**	**1450-2500**	**1700-2400**
	Last Week	2000-3050	2000-3300	1350-1800	1450-2000	1750-2450
BEST	This Week	**1700-1950**	**1500-1950**	**1150-1300**	**1300-1400**	**1550-1650**
	Last Week	1700-1950	1500-1950	1150-1300	1300-1400	1600-1700
BELOW BEST	This Week	**1450-1650**	**1100-1450**	**950-1150**	**1000-1250**	**1250-1500**
	Last Week	1450-1650	1100-1450	950-1100	1100-1250	1300-1550
SECONDARIES	This Week	**1100-1400**	**900-1050**	**800-900**	**750-950**	**1050-1200**
	Last Week	1100-1400	900-1050	800-900	800-1050	1100-1250
POOR	This Week	**700-1050**	**500-850**	**450 - 750**	**450 - 700**	**850-1000**
	Last Week	700-1050	450-650	400 - 650	400 - 750	900-1050

TIPPY/SMALL LEAF

BOP/BOPSP : In general were dearer.

BOPF/BOPFSP : A few selected select best invoices were firm, whilst the others were irregular following quality.

FBOP/FBOP1 : Select best and best invoices were firm, whilst cleaner below best were firm to dearer. Bolder varieties in general were irregular. Balance were irregular following quality. FBOP1's in general were firm.

FBOPF/FBOPF1 : Well made FBOPF1's together with cleaner below best teas and lower end were firm balance were irregular. A few cleaner select best FBOPF's were firm, whilst the other were irregular.

FBOPFSP : Very Tippy teas were firm whilst the best and below best invoices sold around last levels. Lower end teas lower and mostly unsellable.

FFEXSP/SP1 : Leafy Tippy varieties in general were firm, whilst the lower end and mixed teas lower and mostly unsellable.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)		BOP/ BOPSP	BOPF/ BOPFSP	FBOP/ FBOP1	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	FBOPFSP/ FBOPFEXSP
SELECT BEST	This Week	1750-2350	1600-2400	2300-2850	1700-1950	3500-4600
	Last Week	1750-2300	1550-2250	2300-2950	1700-1950	4100-4750
BEST	This Week	1550-1650	1260-1460	1800-2150	1550-1650	2900-3200
	Last Week	1500-1650	1240-1420	1800-2150	1500-1650	3200-3450
BELOW BEST	This Week	1360-1500	1100-1240	1550-1700	1900-1480	1700-2250
	Last Week	1340-1480	1100-1220	1600-1750	1380-1460	1700-2300
SECONDARIES	This Week	1140-1320	850-1040	1340-1500	1280-1360	1500-1600
	Last Week	1120-1300	870-1040	1360-1600	1280-1340	1500-1650
POOR	This Week	980-1200	660-800	900-1240	940-1160	1000-1320
	Last Week	980-1200	600-830	920-1280	960-1140	1000-1320

MEDIUM GROWN LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY TEAS

FBOP : Select best FBOP's were easier by Rs.50-100/- whilst the below best and others were firm on quality.

FBOPF/FBOPF1 : Select best firm, below best FBOPF1's were firm.

PEK/PEK1 : Overall easier by Rs.50-100/- per kg.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	Best		Below Best		Others	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
FBOP	**1700 - 2000**	1700 - 2150	**1300 – 1600**	1300 – 1650	**900-1300**	950-1340
FBOPF/FBOPF1	**1400 - 1850**	1400 - 1800	**1000 - 1350**	1150 - 1460	**900-1100**	1000-1080
PEK/PEK1	**1550 - 2150**	1650 - 2150	**1200 - 1500**	1200 - 1550	**800 - 1000**	850 - 1000

HIGH GROWN TEAS

MARKET : Improved demand for the Better Westerns, whilst the others showed no change

BOP: Best Western's – Select invoices gained by Rs.50/- per kg and more following special inquiry, whilst the others were irregular. In the Below Best category, select improved invoices gained by Rs.50/- per kg and more, whilst the others sold around the previous week's levels. Teas at the lower end of the market declined by Rs100/- per kg and more with many withdrawals due to a lack of suitable bids. Nuwawa Eliya's were mostly unsold. Uda Pussellawa's – Better teas declined by Rs.50/- per kg and more, whilst the other poorer sorts were unsold often without bids. Uva's – Seasonal teas continued to sell well with prices fluctuating following quality. Non-seasonal teas – Neat leaf invoices gained by Rs.50-100/- per kg, whilst the others were irregular.

BOPF : Best Western's – Improved sorts appreciated by up to Rs.100/-- per kg, whilst the others were firm and dearer to a lesser extent. In the Below Best category, select improved sorts appreciated by Rs.20-40/- per kg and more, whilst the others sold around last week's levels. At the lower end of the market – Clean leaf coloury sorts gained by Rs.20-40/- per kg, whilst the others were irregular and barely steady. Nuwara Eliya's were mostly unsold. Uda Pussellawa's – Better sorts declined by Rs.50/- per kg and more, whilst the other poorer sorts sold around last week's levels. Uva's – Seasonal teas were mostly unsold due to a lack of suitable bids. Non-Seasonal teas – Neat leaf coloury sorts gained by Rs.20-40/- per kg, whilst the others were irregular.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BOP		BOPF	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Best Westerns	**1300 – 1480**	1240 – 1500	**1340 – 1460**	1280 – 1420
Below Best Westerns	**1160 – 1280**	1120 – 1220	**1200 – 1320**	1180 – 1260
Plainer Westerns	**800 - 1140**	960 - 1100	**1000 - 1180**	1000 - 1160
Nuwara Eliyas	**N/A**	N/A	**900 - 1100**	N/A
Brighter UdaPussellawas	**850 - 890**	940 - 1000	**880 - 1000**	960 - 1080
Other Uda Pussellawas	**N/A**	890	**750 – 850**	740 – 920
Best Uva's	**1100 - 2750**	1180 - 3000	**1160 – 1280**	1100 – 1220
Other Uva's	**1000**	900 - 1120	**850 - 1080**	810 - 1080

MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

BOP : Leafy Large Leaf types continued to sell well at firm to dearer rates, whilst the others sold around last week's levels.

BOPF : Better sorts were firm and Rs.20/- per kg dearer, whilst the others were irregular.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BOP		BOPF	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Best Westerns	**700 - 1850**	780 - 2000	**700-1200**	700-1180

CTC TEAS

HIGH GROWN:-

BP1 - Hardly any offerings.

PF1 - Best available were firm and Rs.20-40/- per kg dearer, whilst the others were irregular.

MEDIUM GROWN:-

BP1 - Irregular.

PF1 - Better sorts gained by Rs.50/- per kg and more, whilst the others were irregular.

LOW GROWN:-

BP1 - Generally firm.

PF1 - Sold well around last week's levels.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BP1		PF1	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
High	-	800	**800 - 1160**	680 - 1120
Medium	**830 - 880**	580 - 940	**800 - 1040**	640 - 980
Low	**750 - 1000**	740 - 1340	**1080 - 1600**	620 - 1600

OFF GRADES

FGS/FGS1 : Select best liquoring FNGS/FNGS1's firm to dear by Rs.25-50/- whilst others were irregular. Low Grown select best FNGS/FNGS1's held firm whilst poorer teas held firm. Select best BM's lost Rs.50-75/-; others firm on last levels.. Lower end teas were irregularly easier.

BOP1A : Select best BOP1A's firm on last. Best teas held firm, whilst below best and lower end irregularly lower.

QUOTATIONS (Rs./kg)	HIGH		MEDIUM		LOW	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Good Fannings (Orthodox)	**720-1220**	720-1160	**620-700**	600-680	**670-800**	750-780
Good Fannings (CTC)	**625-650**	600-640	**600-650**	600-650	**600-650**	600-650
Other Fannings (Orthodox)	**600-680**	580-650	**600-640**	530-680	**550-640**	550-640
Other Fannings (CTC)	**N/A**	N/A	**N/A**	N/A	**N/A**	N/A
Good BM's	**670-810**	760-810	**750-810**	680-820	**770-1200**	650-1300
Other BM's	**500-570**	480-570	**500-610**	480-610	**480-650**	420-630
Best BOP1As	**660-780**	660-780	**710-810**	640-850	**660-1300**	660-1300
Other BOP1As	**560-620**	530-620	**560-630**	520-630	**560-660**	500-610

DUST

DUST/DUST1: High grown liquoring DUST/DUST1's declined Rs.40-60/- and more at times following quality. Their secondaries and below best types too were irregular and mostly lower. Mid grown teas declined Rs.50-100/- due to less demand from local buyers. Low growns eased Rs.40-60/-.

PD : High growns sold firm on last levels, whilst the Mid growns were Rs.50-60/- lower. Low growns were firm on last levels.

QUOTATIONS (Rs./kg)	HIGH		MEDIUM		LOW	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Good Primary Dust1 (Orthodox)	**600 – 1700**	650 – 1650	**520 - 1140**	560 - 920	**550 - 1220**	630 - 1160
Good Primary PD (CTC)	**580 – 1240**	640 – 1260	**570 – 1220**	580 – 1180	**560 - 1260**	620 - 1220
Secondary Dust	**480 - 1000**	620 - 1060	**470 – 470**	600 – 560	**460 - 1000**	630 - 1120

WESTERN MEDIUM

***Ancoombra**	**BOP**	**1800/-**
Craighead	BOPSP	1600/-
***Ancoombra**	**BOPSP**	**1550/-**
***Vellai Oya**	**BOPF**	**1200/-**
Dartry Valley	BOPFSP	1380/-
***Ancoombra**	**BOPFSP**	**1360/-**
***Uplands**	**BOPFSP**	**1100/-**
Nayapane	BOP1	2000/-
Craighead	BOP1	2000/-
***Hatale**	**BOP1**	**1800/-**
Harangalla	FBOP	2000/-
Craighead	FBOP	2000/-
***Galgewatta**	**FBOP1**	**1500/-**
***Orange Field**	**FBOP1**	**1500/-**
Craighead	FBOPF	1080/-
***Ancoombra**	**FBOPF1**	**1850/-**
Craighead	FBOPF1	1850/-
New Rothschild	OP	1340/-
***Galgewatta**	**OP**	**1320/-**
***Galgewatta**	**OP**	**1300/-**
***Hatale**	**OPA**	**1420/-**
Cooroodoowatte	OP1	1900/-
Harangalla	OP1	1750/-
***Hatale**	**OP1**	**1650/-**
Inguruwatta Super	PEKOE	2150/-
***Hatale**	**PEKOE**	**1650/-**
Dartry Valley	PEKOE	1650/-
Orange Field	PEKOE	1650/-
Harangalla	PEKOE	1650/-
Inguruwatta Super	PEKOE	1650/-
***Meezan**	**PEKOE**	**1600/-**
***Galgewatta**	**PEKOE**	**1600/-**
Dartry Valley	PEKOE1	2100/-
Harangalla	PEKOE1	2100/-

WESTERN HIGH

Great Western	BOP	1480/-
Wattegodde	BOP	1480/-
Bogahawatte	BOPSP	1500/-
Fordyce	BOPF	1200/-
Torrington	BOP1	1700/-
Queensberry	FBOP	1700/-
Torrington	FBOP	1700/-
Torrington	FBOP1	1500/-
Cymru	FBOPF1	1600/-
Venture	OP	1360/-
Cymru	OPA	1240/-
Venture	OP1	1700/-
Cymru	OP1	1700/-
Torrington	PEKOE	1550/-
Frotoft Super	PEKOE	1550/-
Frotoft Super	PEKOE1	1800/-

NUWARA ELIYA

Kenmare	BOP	1260/-
Edinburgh	BOPSP	1000/-
Lovers Leap	BOPF	1100/-
Court Lodge	FBOP	1020/-
Kenmare	FBOPF	1180/-
Kenmare	FBOPF1	1400/-
Court Lodge	OP	870/-
Kenmare	OPA	690/-
Court Lodge	PEKOE	1160/-
Court Lodge	PEKEO1	1120/-

UVA MEDIUM

St. James	BOP	2750/-
Hindagala	BOPSP	1480/-
El Teb	BOPF	1280/-
High Spring	BOPFSP	1440/-
***Halpewatta Uva**	**BOPFSP**	**1100/-**
Wewesse	BOP1	1950/-
Aruna Keppetipola	FBOP	1700/-
Telbedde	FBOP	1700/-
Wewesse	FBOP	1700/-
New Aruna Passara	FBOP	1700/-
High Spring	FBOP	1600/-
***Halpewatta Uva**	**FBOP**	**1550/-**
Adawatte	FBOP1	1460/-
***Halpewatta Uva**	**FBOP1**	**1380/-**
Hindagala	FBOPF	1300/-
Halpewatte Uva	FBOPF1	1600/-
***Roseland Uva**	**FBOPF1**	**1550/-**
Aruna Passara	OP	1360/-
Aruna Passara	OPA	1320/-
Aruna Keppetipola	OP1	1750/-
Uva Samovar	OP1	1600/-
***Roseland Uva**	**OP1**	**1550/-**
St. James	PEKOE	2200/-
St. James	PEKOE1	2700/-

UVA HIGH

Aislaby	BOP	2700/-
Uva Highlands	BOP	2700/-
Ranaya	BOPSP	1500/-
Nayabedde	BOPF	1280/-
Ranaya	BOPFSP	1200/-
Ranaya	BOP1	1700/-
***Ellathota Uva**	**BOP1**	**1460**
Uva Highlands	FBOP	2950/-
***Battawatte**	**FBOP1**	**1440/-**
Mount Uva	FBOPF1	1550/-
Ranaya	FBOPF1	1550/-
Gonamotawa	FBOPF1	1550/-
Mount Uva	OP	1300/-
Ellathota Uva	OP	1300/-
***Ellathota Uva**	**OP**	**1280/-**
Ranaya	OPA	1260/-
***Ellathota Uva**	**OPA**	**1100/-**
Ranaya	OP1	1500/-
Ampettiyakande	OP1	1480/-
***Ellathota Uva**	**OP1**	**1440/-**
Aislaby	PEKOE	3000/-
Ranaya	PEKOE1	1800/-

UDAPUSSELLAWA

Maha Uva	BOP	1460/-
Mooloya	BOPSP	890/-
Delmar	FBOP	1650/-
Gonapitiya	FBOP1	920/-
Maha Uva	FBOPF	820/-
Maha Uva	FBOPF1	1550/-
Delmar	OP	1240/-
Maha Uva	OPA	1120/-
Delmar	OP1	1700/-
Maha Uva	PEKOE	1550/-
Delmar	PEKOE	1360/-

LOW GROWN LEAFY GRADES

Susantha	BOP1	3050/-
***Makandura**	**BOP1**	**2700/-**
Mulatiyana Hills	BOP1	2700/-
Susantha	OP1	3400/-
Dampahala	OP1	3100/-
***Green House**	**OP1**	**3000/-**
Galatara	OP	1700/-
Rotumba	OPA	2500/-
***Makandura**	**PEKOE**	**2400/-**
Lumbini	PEKOE	2350/-
***New Deraniyagala**	**PEKOE**	**2250/-**
Dampahala	PEKOE1	2400/-
***Andaradeniya S**	**PEKOE1**	**2350/-**
***New Nivithigala**	**PEKOE1**	**2300/-**

LOW GROWN TIPPY GRADES

***Nawagamuwahena**	**BOP**	**2350/-**
***Mahaliyadda**	**BOP**	**2300/-**
Mulatiyana Hills	BOP	2300/-
***New Nivithigala**	**BOPSP**	**2400/-**
Wewelkandura S	BOPF	2400/-
Rajjuruwatta S	BOPF	2050/-
***Karawita**	**BOPF**	**1850/-**
Rathmalgoda Sup.	BOPFSP	2050/-
***Ganganee**	**BOPFSP**	**1650/-**
Galatara	FBOP	2850/-
Mulatiyana Hills	FBOP	2750/-
***Hedigalla**	**FBOP**	**2700/-**
New Rekadahena	FBOP1	2500/-
Athukorala G S	FBOP1	2250/-
***New Nivithigala**	**FBOP1**	**2050/-**
***Ganganee**	**FBOPF**	**2000/-**
Tea Bank	FBOPF	2000/-
Kings Bru	FBOPF1	1950/-
Pothotuwa	FBOPF1	1900/-
***Wattahena**	**FBOPF1**	**1850/-**

BOPA

***Hedigalla**	**BOPA**	**2400/-**
Kamarangapitiya	BOPA	2350/-
New Spring View	BOPA	2350/-
Kings Bru	BOPA	2350/-
***Navinda**	**BOPA**	**2300/-**

PREMIUM FLOWERY

Fortune	FBOPFSP	3800/-
Ceciliyan	FBOPFEXSP	5850/-
Kings Bru	FBOPFEXSP1	3950/-
***Allen Valley**	**FBOPFEXSP1**	**3900/-**

*** Sold by Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd / +++All Time Record Price / ++ Equal All Time Record Price**

CTC TEAS

HIGH GROWN

Frotoft CTC	BP1	900/-
***Dunsinane CTC**	**PF1**	**1160/-**

MEDIUM GROWN

Delta CTC	BP1	880/-
New Peacock CTC	PF1	1040/-
Aultmore CTC	BPS	750/-

LOW GROWN

Ceciliyan CTC	BP1	1000/-
Hingalgoda CTC	PF1	1600/-

OFF GRADES

Suviska	BP	1480/-
***Chandrikia CTC**	**PF**	**680/-**
Chandrika CTC	PF	680/-
***Chandrika CTC**	**PF**	**650/-**
***Chandrika CTC**	**PF**	**640/-**
Wewelkandura S	BM	1380/-
***CO OP Cola**	**FNGS**	**960/-**
***Wattahena**	**FNGS**	**940/-**
Wanarajah	FNGS1	1260/-
Dunkeld	FNGS1	1260/-
Liyonta	BOP1A	1500/-

BOPA

***Hedigalla**	**BOPA**	**2400/-**
Kamarangapitiya	BOPA	2350/-
New Spring View	BOPA	2350/-
Kings Bru	BOPA	2350/-
***Navinda**	**BOPA**	**2300/-**

Dust

***Labookellie**	**DUST**	**1000/-**
***Chandrika Est**	**DUST**	**1000/-**
***Andaradeniya H**	**DUST**	**960/-**
Annfield	DUST	960/-
Wattegodde	DUST	960/-
Dullie Ella	DUST	960/-
***New Nivithigala**	**DUST**	**940/-**
Mattakelle	DUST1	1700/-
Dunsinane CTC	PD	1260/-

HIGH GROWN

***Labookellie**	**DUST**	**1000/-**

MEDIUM GROWN

***Vellai Oya**	**DUST1**	**1140/-**

LOW GROWN

***Chandrika Est**	**DUST**	**1000/-**

COLOMBO AUCTION – WEEKLY GROSS SALE AVERAGES

SALE NO.30 OF 05th AUGUST, 2026

	2026			2025	
	Weekly	Month to Date	Year to Date	Weekly	Year to Date
Uva High Grown	1,047.27	1,082.68	1,032.35	1,080.99	1,031.54
Western High Grown	1,086.58	1,103.25	1,159.09	1,091.25	1,089.63
High Grown	1,073.04	1,095.53	1,119.35	1,087.67	1,070.79
Uva Medium	1,032.68	1,047.73	1,034.21	1,044.40	1,067.26
Western Medium	888.77	893.56	952.43	984.77	1,004.62
Medium Grown	940.59	947.76	980.45	1,003.87	1,025.49
Low Grown (Orthodox)	1,304.31	1,304.31	1,273.59	1,264.53	1,257.20
Combined L.G. (Orthodox + CTC)	1,286.99	1,281.90	1,254.40	1,243.90	1,242.49
Total	1,181.35	1,180.79	1,179.66	1,176.63	1,169.51

Private Sale Figures (29.07.2026 – 05.08.2026)	197,557.00
Cumulative	7,228,170.95

DETAILS OF TEAS AWAITING SALE

	SALE NO: 32		SALE NO: 33	
	Sale of 18th /19th Aug, '26		Sale of 24th /25th Aug, '26	
	Lots	Qty. (Kgs)	Lots	Qty. (Kgs)
Low Grown Leafy	2,189	784,573	2,167	760,432
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,566	619,212	1,643	647,894
Low Grown Tippy	1,908	859,797	1,932	858,180
High & Medium	1,370	565,596	1,456	591,510
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,309	1,140,274	2,307	1,152,043
Dust	558	495,361	603	541,756
Premium Flowery	293	38,507	417	52,146
Ex-Estate	860	841,850	809	827,092
Total	**11,053**	**5,345,169**	**11,334**	**5,431,053**

FUTURE CATALOGUES CLOSURE

Sale No.34 of 01st (Tue.) /02nd (Wed.) Sep, 2026

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Thursday, 13th August, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

Sale No.35 of 08th (Tue.) /09th (Wed.) Sep, 2026

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Thursday, 20th August, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

Sale No.36 of 15th (Tue.) /16th (Wed.) Sep, 2026

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Thursday, 28th August, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

SALE NO.32

AUCTION OF 18th /19th AUGUST, 2026

BROKERS' SELLING ORDER

Leafy/ Semi Leafy/ Tippy/Premium Flowery/ BOP1A/	High & Medium/ Off Grades/ Dust	Ex-Estate
1. John Keells PLC	1. Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	1. Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC
2. Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	2. Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	2. Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd
3. Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	3. Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd	3. **Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd**
4. Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd	4. **Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd**	4. Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
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Crop & Weather

For the period 04th to 10th August, 2026

Western/Nuwara Eliya Regions

Rain was reported in both regions during the week. Heavy showers are expected in the Western and Nuwara Eliya regions in the week ahead according to the Department of Meteorology.

Uva/Uda Pussellawa Regions

The Uva and Uda Pussellawa regions experienced rain throughout the week. According to the Department of Meteorology, showers are expected in both regions in the week ahead.

Low Growns

The Low Grown Region reported rain during the week. The Department of Meteorology expects intermittent showers in the Low Grown Region in the week ahead.

Crop Intake

The Western and Nuwara Eliya regions maintained the crop intake, whilst the Uva, Udu Pussellawa and Low Grown regions reported a decrease.

WORLD CROP STATISTICS (MKGS)

Country	*Month*	*2025*	*2026*	*Difference +/-*	*To-date 2025*	*To-date 2026*	*Difference +/-*
SRI LANKA	**June**	***21.52***	***22.33***	***0.8***	***134.56***	***130.57***	***-4.0***
BANGLADESH	Apr.	2.20	5.90	3.7	3.90	9.10	5.2
KENYA	Mar.	37.90	52.50	14.6	136.90	141.10	4.2
MALAWI	Apr.	6.80	5.90	-0.9	24.90	22.90	-2.0
NORTH INDIA	May	109.86	111.72	1.9	249.73	251.67	1.9
SOUTH INDIA	May	26.57	19.88	-6.7	96.50	81.82	-14.7

OTHER MARKETS

LIMBE MARKET REPORT SALE 31 HELD ON 5 AUGUST, 2026

2040 tea packages were offered and 1360 were sold.

There was less demand continued this week at firm rates for the small quantity on offer of 2000 packages, comparising mostly old invoices.

BP1 were all taken out, some under bids.

PF1 – held firm on last where sold.

PD/D1 – N/A

PF1SC – sold at last levels.

Secondary were all taken out.

WEATHER/CROP FOR THE WEEK ENDING 02ND AUGUST, 2026.

Cool to warm during the day and cold at night was the weather pattern this week with isolated showers reprted in Thyolo and Mulanje.

Green leaf intakes were lower than last.

BANGLADESH AUCTION

SALE NO. 15 OF MONDAY, 10TH AUGUST, 2026

CTC LEAF: 39,826 packages of tea on offer once again met with an excellent demand.

BROKENS: Well made, good liquoring Brokens were a stronger feature and appreciated further. Their prices ranged between Tk. 303/- and Tk.308/- and sometimes more. All other varieties once again met with a strong demand at higher rates. BLF teas met with a stronger market at dearer rates.

FANNINGS: Well made, good liquoring Fannings were a strong feature of the sale and prices advanced by Tk.5/- and more ranging between Tk.303/- and Tk.310/-. All other varieties were also a strong market with prices appreciating further. BLF teas met with a stronger market at dearer rates.

DUST: 9,675 packages of tea on offer met with a strong demand. Good liquoring Dusts sold well at around last levels. Mediums were fully firm to slightly dearer closely following quality. Plain/BLF Dusts met with an improved demand and were fully firm on last with a few withdrawals. Blenders lent strong support with fair interest from the Loose tea buyers.

COMMENTS: After some hesitant start, demand gradually showed improvement. As the sale progressed, both demand and prices strengthened following strong competition particularly during the second half of the sale. Blenders were again forceful this week with Loose tea buyers giving quite useful support.

Dusts sold well.

Quotations – This Week – (In Taka)

Brokens	This Week	Last Week	Fannings	This Week	Last Week	Dust	This Week	Last Week
Best	**303-308**	298-305	Best	**303-310**	298-308	PD	**295-318**	282-312
Good	**297-302**	291-296	Good	**298-302**	292-297	RD	**285-326**	286-321
Medium	**285-290**	283-288	Medium	**287-292**	285-288	D	**290-340**	280-330
Plain	**275-280**	275-280N	Plain	**275-280**	275-280N	CD	**294-354**	287-334
BLF	**248-300**	274-290	BLF	**252-300**	275-290	BLF	**270-280**	255-278

COURTESY: NATIONAL BROKERS LIMITED

MOMBASA TEA AUCTION MARKET REPORT

Sale No.32 of 10TH & 11TH AUGUST, 2026

Good general demand prevailed for the 117,538 packages (7,718,582.00 kilos) on offer; 18.46% remained unsold.

MARKET:

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

OFFERINGS :-

Orthodox Grades	- 2,950 packages (104,920.00 kilos) – 60.68% unsold.
Leaf Grades	- 53,568 packages (3,529,518.00 kilos) – 26.51% unsold.
Dust Grades	- 41,760 packages (3,103,948.00 kilos) – 11.21% unsold.
Secondary Grades	- 19,260 packages (980,196.00 kilos) – 2.49% unsold.

LEAF GRADES (M2 & M3)

BP1:

Best :	Were dearer by up to USC38.
Brighter:	Strong enquiry irregularly advancing by up to USC50
Mediums:	KTDA mediums were dearer by up to USC27 with plantation mediums appreciating by up to USC26.
Lower Medium:	Saw improved interest gaining by up to USC20.
Plainer:	Better sorts were dearer by up to USC20 while others were steady to USC8 below previous levels.

PF1:

Best :	Were firm to USC14 above previous levels.
Brighter :	Gained by up to USC15.
Mediums :	KTDA mediums were irregularly dearer by up to USC14 while plantation mediums met irregular enquiry varying between USC3 dearer to easier by up to USC9.
Lower Medium :	Irregular varying between USC10 dearer to easier by up to USC13.
Plainer :	Were firm to USC5 dearer with some lines shedding by up to USC6.

CTC QUOTATIONS	BP1 – USC	PF1 – USC
Best	302 - 466	287 - 358
Good	282 – 350	286 - 319
Good Medium	310 - 350	278 - 301
Medium (KTDA)	209 - 277	232 - 282
Medium (Plantations)	207 – 236	198 - 235
Lower Medium	172 - 236	150- 228
Plainer	118 - 177	105 - 155

DUST GRADES (M1)

PDUST:

Best: Were firm to dearer by up to USC20

Brighter: Irregularly gained by up to USC14.

Mediums: KTDA mediums saw improved enquiry and advanced by up to USC14 while plantation mediums ranged between steady to USC6 below previous levels.

Lower Medium: Select teas held value while others were irregularly easier by up to USC8

Plainer: Were firm to mostly dearer by up to USC7 for good liquoring sorts. Some teas eased by up to USC3.

DUST1:

Best: Ranged between USC8 dearer to USC5 below previous levels

Brighter: Were dearer by up to USC12.

Mediums: KTDA mediums irregularly appreciated by up to USC14 with plantation mediums ranging between firm to USC8 dearer to easier by up to USC2.

Lower Medium: Steady to USC4 above previous levels to easier by a similar margin.

Plainer: Were irregular ranging between firm to USC6 dearer to easier by up to USC8. .

CTC QUOTATIONS	PDUST – USC	DUST1 – USC
Best	255 - 328	274 - 369
Good	251 - 307	280 - 297
Good Medium	211 - 294	234 - 290
Medium (KTDA)	211 - 274	193 - 280
Medium (Plantati ons)	206 - 217	190 - 208
Lower Medium	160 - 200	174 - 184
Plainer	104 - 175	112 - 171

SECONDARY GRADES(S1)

In the Secondary Catalogues, **BPs** were firm with **PFs** steady. Clean well sorted coloury **Fannings** were irregular but on balance dearer with **similar DUSTs** firm to dearer. **Other Fannings** held value but a few lines appreciated while **DUSTs** were steady. **BMFs** were readily absorbed at dearer rates.

SECONDARY QUOTATIONS (USC)	BP / BP2	PF / PF2	FNGS1/FNGS	DUST / DUST2	BMF
Best / Good	254 - 330	235	160 - 242	162 - 302	-
Good Medium /Medium	-	-	137 - 189	140 - 214	-
Lower Medium	144 - 194	138 - 163	130 - 165	129 - 162	114 –128
Plainer	114 – 148	100 - 143	080 - 148	110 - 140	105 - 121

SOUTH INDIAN ROUNDUP

FOR THE WEEKENDING – 08TH AUGUST, 2026

KOCHI

CTC LEAF

Demand : Fair Demand. All grades sold at steady around last

ORTHODOX LEAF

Demand : Good Demand.

Buying Pattern : All whole leaves sold irregular and lower around last with some withdrawals especially the OP verities depending on the quality. Primary broken were easier while the Secondaries and Fannings were barely steady

Market : CIS & Middle East Buyers operated.

DUST

Demand : Good Demand.

Buying Pattern : Popular marks and better mediums sold at fully firm levels. Medium teas sold around last levels and selected marks had appreciated in value with blender support. Plainer sort bolder grades were barely steady finer grades were irregular and lower with some withdrawals.

Market : Major Packeteers were active, Exporters operated selectively on plainer sort and bolder grades. Internal buyers operated selectively.

COONOOR

CTC LEAF

Demand : Strong.

Market : Market witnessed a buoyant demand for the Larger Brokens, thanks to the strong export enquiry which had prompted the overall price averages going up by Rs.2/- to Rs.3/-. The Better mediums and the Medium Fannings also witnessed a similar trend. The sale continued to witness a rejection tendency towards very browner, flakier and fibrous teas.
The overall sale percentage was 93% at an average of Rs.115.81

Buying Pattern: The major Blenders and Packeteers were the main stay yet again as they continued to patronize on the sustainable certified teas whilst the Internal buyers were operating cautiously on certain price levels. The Export on the other hand was strong on the Larger Brokens and on the Fannings.

ORTH LEAF

Demand : Fair.

Market : Market continued to witness a down trend as the prices were easier by Rs.3/- to Rs.5/- and upto Rs.20/- sometimes across the Brokens and on the Whole leaf grades. However the cleaner BOPF's have had better enquiry to be sold at fully firm to dearer levels. The sale also witnessed fair withdrawals on the discolored and stalky teas.
The overall sale percentage was 76% at an average of Rs.143.19

Buying Pattern: Fairly strong Export enquiry was forthcoming with the major blender lending fair support on the Brokens. Internal was very selective or rather subdued.

CTC DUST

Demand : Good

Market : The market had opened on a steady to easier note by a Re to Rs. 2/-. As the sale progressed it had witnessed a different behavior on the bolder cleaner dust grades which were tending firm to occasionally dearer along with some of the brighter liquoring invoices.
The overall sale percentage was 87% at an average of Rs. 113.28.

Buying Pattern: The strong export enquiry continued this week too which was followed by the major Blender operating on the Medium bolder dust grades. The internal was rather selective with only M/s. Anjaneya Enterprises (Devagiri Tea product co) was the bright spot as it continued to absorb the brighter liquoring high-priced teas.

ORTH DUST

Demand : Fair.

Market: Market witnessed a slightly better demand when compared to last week both in percentage of sale and in price levels. The primary dust grades were rather witnessed mostly a easier trend whilst the Secondaries and Tertiairies were rather steady to occasionally dearer levels.
The overall sale percentage was 69% at an average of Rs.114.71.

Buying Pattern: Strong Export enquiry was forthcoming with only M/s. Anjaneya enterprises (Devagiri Tea) was the bright spot operating on the popular, primary cleaner invoices

COIMBATORE

CTC LEAF

Demand : Good demand.

Market : Better medium and brokens were firm. Medium teas were dearer by Rs.2/- to Rs.3/- sometimes more. Plainer bolder grades were irregular. Others dearer by Re.1/-to Rs.2/-.

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

ORTH LEAF

Demand : Good demand.

Market : Whole leaf were steady. Medium brokens were lower by Rs.2/-. BOPF were dearer by Rs.5/ to Rs.9/-.

Buying Pattern : Exporters were active.

CTC DUST

Demand : Good demand.

Market : Better medium and popular teas were fully firm to occasionally dearer. Medium teas were irregular and lower by Rs.2/- to Rs.3/- with heavy withdrawals. Plainer teas were irregular and lower by Rs.2/-.

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

ORTH DUST

Demand : Good demand.

Market : Firm to dearer by Rs.4/- to Rs.5/-.

Buying Pattern : Exporters were active.

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TEA NEWS – INTERNATIONAL

UAE unveils world’s first tea made from palm shoots and green dates

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A research team from the United Arab Emirates University (UAEU), together with a research institute specialising in food security in arid regions, is developing a herbal tea made from young date palm shoots and unripe green dates, TV BRICS reports.

Photo credit: WAM

According to WAM, the team is currently testing different blends made from shoots and fruits of various date palm varieties. Scientists are studying how processing methods, including roasting, grinding and freeze-drying, affect the beverage's chemical composition and sensory properties. The resulting samples are being assessed for taste, aroma, appearance and levels of biologically active compounds. The aim is to identify the most balanced combinations in terms of flavour and nutritional value.

These resources are generally not used by the food industry. Unripe fruits are removed during thinning to improve the quality and yield of dates. The shoots are extracted from the seeds during germination.

The project is aimed at supporting sustainable development and the circular economy. It enables by-products of date farming to be converted into high-value products, reduces agricultural waste and promotes more efficient use of natural resources. It also aligns with efforts to strengthen food security and increase the economic value of locally grown crops.

The researchers emphasise that the product is still at the development stage. They are currently completing work to study the beverage's components, assess its commercial potential and examine prospects for bringing it to market.

Earlier, it was reported that Qatar’s imports of Jordanian dates had seen notable growth in 2024.

ADRA Ceylon elevates Ceylon Tea from commodity to customised global product

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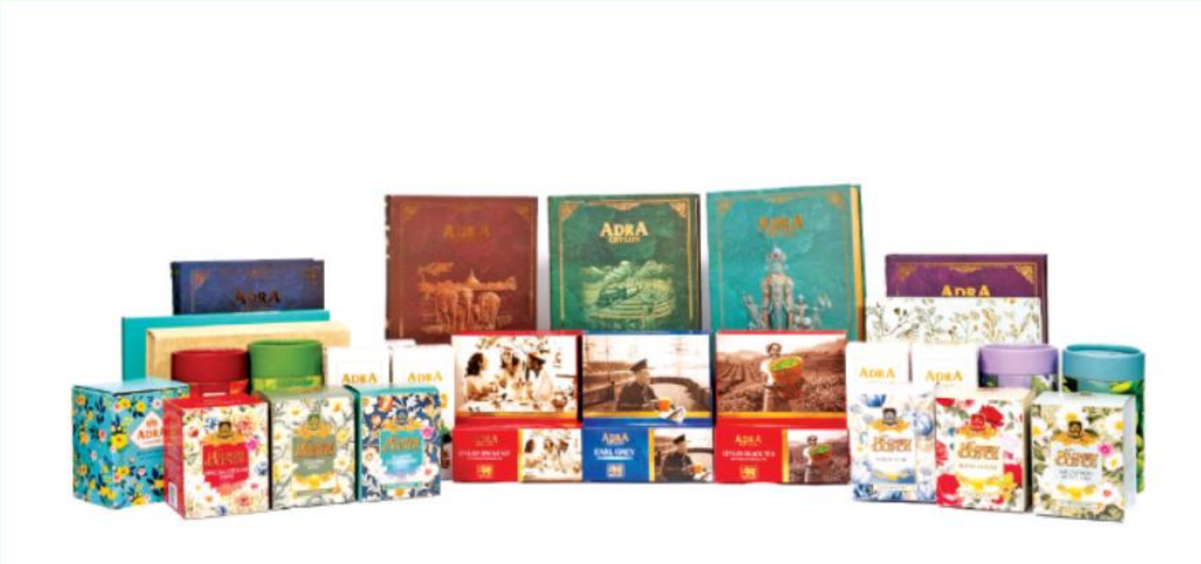

ADRA Ceylon, a leading Sri Lankan tea exporter and a cornerstone of the Pink Eagle Group, is strategically repositioning Ceylon Tea.

The company is moving aggressively from conventional bulk exports towards becoming a solutions partner for global brands, specialising in private label manufacturing, customised blends and emerging categories such as bubble tea bases and wellness infusions.

This shift underscores a broader trend towards value addition within Sri Lanka’s tea export sector, with significant implications for enhanced export earnings and market diversification.

Traditionally, Sri Lanka’s tea industry has excelled in producing high-quality bulk tea. However, changing consumer preferences and intense global competition necessitate a pivot towards differentiated, value-added products. ADRA Ceylon, founded by Asitha Silva, has anticipated this shift, developing a robust strategy to meet these new market demands head-on.

At the heart of ADRA Ceylon’s strategy is its role as a comprehensive solutions partner. The company has invested in advanced capabilities to offer private label tea manufacturing, allowing international brands to develop and market their unique Ceylon tea products without extensive in-house infrastructure.

“The global tea landscape is dynamic; consumers seek unique experiences and products tailored to their lifestyles,” said Asitha Silva, Founder of ADRA Ceylon. “Our focus is to empower brands worldwide by offering innovative solutions. We’re not just exporting tea; we’re providing the expertise and infrastructure for our partners to create distinctive, market-ready products that reflect the true character of Ceylon tea, elevated for modern tastes.”

ADRA Ceylon is at the forefront of product diversification into wellness and lifestyle trends. The company specializes in creating specialty base solutions for bubble tea and other modern beverages, tapping into rapidly growing segments.

It is actively developing new lines of herbal infusions and wellness teas, utilizing Sri Lankan herbs and natural ingredients to cater to health-conscious consumers. This innovation extends to premium gifting ranges with sophisticated packaging options, further elevating the perceived value of Ceylon Tea.

The implications of ADRA Ceylon's strategy extend beyond its own growth, holding significant promise for Sri Lanka's national export earnings. By moving up the value chain from commodity to customised and branded products, the company contributes to higher revenue per kilogram of tea exported, enhances the global reputation of Ceylon Tea, and strengthens Sri Lanka's position as an innovative supplier in the international beverage market.

As ADRA Ceylon continues its trajectory of innovation and global expansion, it is actively shaping the future of Sri Lanka's tea export industry.

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