TEA MARKET REPORT

SALE NO: 44

November 10 & 11, 2026

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COMMENTS

This week's Tea Auction, Sale No.44 was held on November 10(Tue.)/ 11(Wed.), 2026. A total weight of 5.4MKgs 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 0.8MKgs. The Ex Estate category had 0.6MKgs.

There was fair demand for the limited selection of liquoring teas on offer this week at the Ex- Estate sale whilst the others tended easier following quality. Best Western BOP's declined Rs.20/- and more following quality. In the below best category teas in the higher price bracket too followed a similar trend whilst at the lower end were upto Rs.50/- easier. A few select best Western BOPF's were firm to Rs.20/- dearer whilst others declined Rs.20-40/-. Lower end tea however sold around last levels, Nuwara Eliya teas met with less interest and demand. Uva/ Udapussellawa BOP's were easier upto Rs.50/- whilst their corresponding BOPF's witnessed renewed interest. CTC Teas – PF1's from all elevations were irregular and barely steady following quality. There were hardly any BP1's on offer this week. The limited selection of better liquoring teas continued to be sought after by shippers to Japan, the Continent and UK whilst the balance were accounted for by shippers to Russia, CIS and China along with the tea bag sector.

Low Growns met with good demand this week with prices being fully steady. Traditional markets were active.

This week's auction comprised of **11,592** lots with a total quantity of **5,439,323** Kgs.

The catalogue wise breakdown was as follows:-

	Lots	Qty. (Kgs)
Low Grown Leafy	1,915	665,962
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,829	737,906
Low Grown Tippy	2,097	931,899
High & Medium	1,869	823,391
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,332	1,134,953
Dust	515	439,868
Premium Flowery	348	46,374
Ex-Estate	687	658,970
Total	**11,592**	**5,439,323**

In Lighter Vein

Dead Dog...

A man runs into the vet's office carrying his dog, screaming for help. The vet rushes him back to an examination room and has him put his dog down on the examination table. The vet examines the still, limp, cold body and after a few moments, tells the man that his dog, regrettably, is dead.

The man, clearly agitated and not willing to accept this, demands a second opinion. The vet goes into the back room and comes out with a cat and puts the cat down next to the dog's body. The cat sniffs the body, walks from head to tail, poking and sniffing the dog's body and finally looks at the vet and meows.

The vet looks at the man and says, "I'm sorry, but the cat thinks that your dog is dead, too." The man is still unwilling to accept that his dog is dead, so the vet brings in a black labrador. The lab sniffs the body, walks from head to tail, and finally looks at the vet and barks.

The vet looks at the man and says, "I'm sorry, but the lab thinks your dog is dead too." The man, finally resigned to the diagnosis, thanks the vet and asks how much he owes.

The vet answers, "$650."

"$650 to tell me my dog is dead?" exclaims the man.

"Well," the vet replies, "I would only have charged you $50 for my initial diagnosis. The additional $600 was for the cat scan and lab tests."

LOW GROWN TEAS

LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY

BOP1 : Select best BOP1's maintained at last week levels, whilst balance too appreciated by Rs.100/-.

OP1 : Wiry OP1's maintained last week levels; Balance were firm to dearer. Stalky invoices too were steady.

OP : Well-made OP's were firm to easier. Balance were followed a similar trend.

OPA : Well-twisted OPA's maintained last week levels. Best and below best types were irregularly lower.

PEK/PEK1 : Shotty PEK's were irregular to lower. Bold PEKs' declined by Rs.50/-. and uneven types appreciated by Rs.50/-. Well-made PEK1's maintained at last week levels.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)		BOP1	OP1	OP	OPA	PEK/PEK1
SELECT BEST	**This Week**	**1850-3100**	**2000-3550**	**1400-2450**	**1400-2600**	**1650-2700**
	Last Week	1850-3100	2000-3550	1450-2350	1450-2450	1700-2900
BEST	**This Week**	**1450-1800**	**1650-1950**	**1150-1350**	**1200-1350**	**1450-1600**
	Last Week	1350-1800	1550-1950	1200-1400	1250-1400	1450-1650
BELOW BEST	**This Week**	**1100-1400**	**1150-1600**	**1000-1100**	**1000-1150**	**1050-1400**
	Last Week	1000-1300	1100-1500	1000-1150	1050-1200	1100-1400
SECONDARIES	**This Week**	**900-1050**	**800-1100**	**800-950**	**800-950**	**900-1000**
	Last Week	800-950	700-1050	800-950	800-1000	900-1050
POOR	**This Week**	**800-850**	**550-750**	**450 - 750**	**400 - 750**	**750-850**
	Last Week	700-750	500-650	450 - 750	400 - 750	700-850

TIPPY/SMALL LEAF

BOP/BOPSP : Maintained last levels.

BOPF/BOPFSP : Well-made cleaner teas were firm, whilst the others were irregular.

FBOP/FBOP1 : Select best FBOP's were firm whilst best FBOP's were irregular. Below best and lower end teas were firm. Bold varieties firm on last. FBOP1's in general were firm.

FBOPF/FBOPF1 : Select best and best FBOPF1's were firm to dearer whilst the below best and others maintained. FBOPF's in general were firm.

FBOPFSP : Fully firm to dearer and met with a good demand.

FFEXSP/SP1 : Met with a good demand.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)		BOP/ BOPSP	BOPF/ BOPFSP	FBOP/ FBOP1	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	FBOPFSP/ FBOPFEXSP
SELECT BEST	**This Week**	**1950-2750**	**1800-2650**	**1950-2700**	**1750-2300**	**4150-5550**
	Last Week	1950-2850	1700-2800	1900-2650	1700-2150	3950-5300
BEST	**This Week**	**1750-1850**	**1500-1650**	**1700-1800**	**1500-1650**	**3000-3900**
	Last Week	1700-1850	1480-1650	1700-1800	1500-1650	2900-3600
BELOW BEST	**This Week**	**1480-1650**	**1100-1300**	**1440-1550**	**1340-1460**	**1850-2750**
	Last Week	1480-1650	1160-1260	1440-1500	1320-1440	1800-2600
SECONDARIES	**This Week**	**1300-1440**	**890-1060**	**1260-1400**	**1030-1260**	**1500-1700**
	Last Week	1300-1440	870-1040	1260-1360	1040-1200	1460-1650
POOR	**This Week**	**840-1180**	**590-860**	**900-1220**	**810-1040**	**1200-1460**
	Last Week	850-1160	580-880	880-1220	790-900	1020-1280

MEDIUM GROWN LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY TEAS

FBOP : A few select best FBOP's were dearer on account of special inquiry.

FBOPF/FBOPF1 : Select best firm at last, whilst the others together with poorer sorts declined.

PEK/PEK1 : All-round lower and lost more as the sale progressed.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	Best		Below Best		Others	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
FBOP	**1400 - 2300**	1500 - 2200	**800 – 1300**	900 – 1400	**800 - 830**	800 - 850
FBOPF/FBOPF1	**1350 - 2050**	1500 - 2250	**1250 - 1350**	1300 - 1420	**850 - 900**	900 - 1000
PEK/PEK1	**1600 - 2250**	1700 - 2300	**900 - 1200**	900 - 1240	**720 - 800**	750 - 820

HIGH GROWN TEAS

MARKET : Better teas were firm and easier following quality, whilst the others were generally firm and selectively dearer

BOP : Best Western's declined by Rs.20/- per kg and more following quality. In the Below Best category, teas in the higher price bracket followed a similar trend, whilst the others sold around last week's levels. Teas at the lower end of the market were up to Rs.50/- per kg easier. Nuwara Eliya's met with less interest. Uda Pussellawa's were easier by up to Rs.50/- per kg. Uva's were irregular.

BOPF : Best Western's – A few select invoices were firm and Rs.20/- per kg dearer, whilst the others declined by Rs.20-40/- per kg. In the Below Best category, teas in the higher price bracket were firm and Rs.20/- per kg easier, whilst the others together with teas at the lower end of the market sold around last week's levels. Nuwara Eliya's met with poor demand. Uda Pussellawa's witnessed renewed interest following better quality. Uva's were barely steady.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BOP		BOPF	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Best Westerns	**1340 – 1420**	1360 – 1480	**1400 – 1500**	1380 – 1550
Below Best Westerns	**1140 – 1320**	1180 – 1340	**1320 – 1380**	1300 – 1360
Plainer Westerns	**980 - 1120**	1020 - 1160	**940 - 1300**	1000 - 1280
Nuwara Eliyas	**1000 -1100**	N/A	**1000**	N/A
Brighter UdaPussellawas	**1220 - 1240**	1180 - 1280	**1240 - 1280**	1180 - 1200
Other Uda Pussellawas	**1020**	1060 - 1120	**980 - 1180**	1080 - 1100
Best Uva's	**1320 - 1460**	1360 - 1420	**1240 - 1340**	1220 - 1260
Other Uva's	**1200 - 1220**	900 - 960	**1140 - 1220**	850 - 920

MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

BOP : Select Large Leaf teas were firm and dearer, whilst the others sold around last week's levels.

BOPF : Better sorts were firm, whilst the other poorer varieties were barely steady.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BOP		BOPF	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Best Westerns	**860 - 2200**	870 - 2250	**660-1240**	800-1240

CTC TEAS

HIGH GROWN:-

BP1 - Hardly any offerings.

PF1 - Best available eased by up to Rs.50/- per kg, whilst the others were barely steady.

MEDIUM GROWN:-

BP1 - Irregular.

PF1 - Irregular and barely steady.

LOW GROWN:-

BP1 - Hardly any offerings.

PF1 - Barely steady.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BP1		PF1	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
High	-	1080	**940 - 1100**	590 - 1120
Medium	**690 - 980**	550 - 980	**550 - 1120**	570 - 1120
Low	**790 - 1340**	770 - 1420	**550 - 1550**	570 - 1500

OFF GRADES

FGS/FGS1 : Best liquoring FNGS/FNGS1's firm on last levels whilst select best Low Grown FNGS/FNGs1 too firm. Others were irregular. Select best BM's lost Rs.10-20/- per kg whilst others too followed a similar trend.

BOP1A : Select best teas firm on last week levels and best and below best teas firm to dearer by Rs.10-30/- per kg. Poor teas held firm.

QUOTATIONS (Rs./kg)	HIGH		MEDIUM		LOW	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Good Fannings (Orthodox)	**820 - 1280**	820 - 1250	**590-730**	590-730	**630-850**	620-800
Good Fannings (CTC)	**570-630**	590-630	**550-620**	530-630	**550-780**	560-770
Other Fannings (Orthodox)	**530 - 630**	530 - 630	**530-510**	500-560	**500-580**	500-580
Other Fannings (CTC)	**N/A**	N/A	**N/A**	N/A	**N/A**	N/A
Good BM's	**640-820**	650-820	**640-800**	640-800	**850-1320**	650-1150
Other BM's	**540-600**	540-600	**550-610**	530-620	**530-600**	500-620
Best BOP1As	**700-800**	700-800	**720-830**	720-830	**770-1500**	750-1500
Other BOP1As	**600-660**	580-680	**600-660**	560-680	**600-710**	550-720

DUST

DUST/DUST1: Select best types in high growns declined Rs.20-30/- whilst their secondaries were irregular and mostly lower. Medium grown teas were Rs.50-80/- easier, whilst the Low growns too were irregular and mostly lower.

PD : High Growns teas declined Rs.40-60/- whilst Mid growns showed an irregular trend. Low growns declined Rs.20-40/-.

QUOTATIONS (Rs./kg)	HIGH		MEDIUM		LOW	
	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Good Primary Dust1 (Orthodox)	**650 – 1550**	700 – 1750	**700 - 1240**	750 - 1180	**700 - 1120**	730 - 1120
Good Primary PD (CTC)	**720 – 1160**	720 – 1120	**720 – 1120**	720 – 1140	**730 - 1320**	740 - 1460
Secondary Dust	**720 - 1120**	740 - 1160	**680– 880**	680– 870	**720 - 1040**	740 - 1040

WESTERN MEDIUM

***Ancoombra**	**BOP**	**2200/-**
Dartry Valley	BOP	2200/-
***Hatale**	**BOP**	**2100/-**
Dartry Valley	BOPSP	1750/-
***Ancoombra**	**BOPSP**	**1700/-**
***Hatale**	**BOPSP**	**1650/-**
***Ancoombra**	**BOPSP**	**1650/-**
***Vellai Oya**	**BOPF**	**1240/-**
Vellai Oya	BOPF	1240/-
***Vellai Oya**	**BOPF**	**1200/-**
***Galgewatta**	**BOPFSP**	**1400/-**
Harangalla	BOP1	1850/-
***Hatale**	**BOP1**	**1700/-**
***Orange Field**	**BOP1**	**1650/-**
Craighead	FBOP	2300/-
***HansagiriKothmale**	**FBOP1**	**1460/-**
Harangalla	FBOP1	1380/-
***Hatale**	**FBOP1**	**1360/-**
Craighead	FBOPF1	2050/-
Craighead	OP	1420/-
***Hatale**	**OP**	**1260/-**
Castlemilk	OPA	1240/-
***Galgewatta**	**OP1**	**1750/-**
***Hatale**	**OP1**	**1750/-**
Harangalla	OP1	1650/-
***Hatale**	**OP1**	**1600/-**
***Ancoombra**	**PEKOE**	**1600/-**
Craighead	PEKOE1	2250/-
Dartry Valley	PEKOE1	2250/-
Harangalla	PEKOE1	2200/-
***Galgewatta**	**PEKOE1**	**2100/-**
***Ancoombra**	**PEKOE1**	**2100/-**

WESTERN HIGH

Frotoft Super	BOP	1480/-
Ingestre	BOPSP	1480/-
Wattegodde	BOPF	1500/-
Wanarajah	BOPF	1500/-
Torrington	BOP1	1550/-
Venture	FBOP	1650/-
Cymru	FBOP1	1180/-
Inverness	FBOPF1	1600/-
Cymru	FBOPF1	1600/-
Cymru	OP	1200/-
Venture	OP	1200/-
Cymru	OPA	1180/-
St. Andrews	OP1	1600/-
St. Andrews	PEKOE	1800/-
New Meddecombra	PEKOE1	1950/-

NUWARA ELIYA

Court Lodge	BOP	1160/-
Court Lodge	FBOP	1300/-
Kenmare	FBOPF1	1500/-
Court Lodge	PEKOE	1220/-

UVA MEDIUM

Halpewatta Uva	BOP	1650/-
Uva Samovar	BOPSP	1550/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	BOPF	1000/-
Dickwella	BOPFSP	1800/-
Wewesse	BOP1	2000/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	FBOP	1950/-
Dickwella	FBOP1	1800/-
Halpewatte Uva	FBOPF	1020/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	FBOPF1	1900/-
Dickwella	OP	1460/-
Aruna Passara	OPA	1180/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	OP1	1800/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	PEKOE	1950/-
Misty Uva	PEKOE1	2400/-

UVA HIGH

Uvakellie	BOP	1650/-
Ranaya	BOPSP	1650/-
Nayabedde	BOPF	1340/-
Spring Valley	BOPFPS	1550/-
Uva Highlands	BOP1	1700/-
Aislaby	FBOP	1750/-
***Battawatte**	**FBOP1**	**1480/-**
Aislaby	FBOPF1	1650/-
Ellathota Uva	OP	1260/-
Mount Uva	OPA	1140/-
Aislaby	OP1	1750/-
Aislaby	PEKOE	1550/-
Aislaby	PEKOE1	1950/-

UDAPUSSELLAWA

Maha Uva	BOP	1480/-
***Mooloya**	**BOPSP**	**1240/-**
Mooloya	BOPF	1280/-
High Forest	BOP1	1080/-
Blairlomond	FBOP	1500/-
Maha Uva	FBOP	1500/-
Gampaha	FBOP	1500/-
Blairlomond	FBOPF1	1600/-
Gampaha	FBOPF1	1600/-
Maha Uva	OP	1200/-
Blairlomond	OPA	1060/-
Gampaha	OPA	1060/-
Maha Uva	OP1	1650/-
Delmar	OP1	1650/-
Maha Uva	PEKOE	1480/-
Gampaha	PEKOE	1480/-
Maha Uva	PEKOE1	1950/-
Gampaha	PEKOE1	1950/-

LOW GROWN LEAFY GRADES

***Makandura**	**BOP1**	**3100/-**
Gunawardana	OP1	3550/-
Dampahala	OP1	3400/-
***Green House**	**OP1**	**3300/-**
Miriswatta	OP	2450/-
Miriswatta	OPA	2600/-
***Green House**	**OPA**	**2250/-**
Liyonta	PEKOE	2700/-
Bulathsinghala Tea	PEKOE1	2500/-
New Vithanakande	PEKOE1	2500/-
New Batuwangala	PEKOE1	2500/-
***Andaradeniya S**	**PEKOE1**	**2450/-**

LOW GROWN TIPPY GRADES

***New Laksakanda**	**BOP**	**2750/-**
***Mahaliyadda**	**BOP**	**2600/-**
***Nawagamuwahena**	**BOP**	**2550/-**
***Elaine Super**	**BOPSP**	**2800/-**
***KDU Super**	**BOPSP**	**2450/-**
Wewelkandura S.	BOPF	2650/-
Rajjuruwatta Sup.	BOPFSP	2200/-
Panakaduwa Sup.	BOPFSP	1650/-
***Elaine Super**	**BOPFSP**	**1600/-**
***Sithaka**	**FBOP**	**2700/-**
Kiruwanaganga	FBOP1	2450/-
Kings Bru	FBOP1	2300/-
***Lenama Hills**	**FBOP1**	**2050/-**
***New Galagawa**	**FBOPF**	**2300/-**
Berubeula	FBOPF1	2350/-

PREMIUM FLOWERY

Morawakkorale	FBOPFSP	5550/-
***Green House**	**FBOPFSP**	**5350/-**
Dampahala	FBOPFEXSP	5350/-
Ceciliyan	FBOPFEXSP	5250/-
***New Galagawa**	**FBOPFEXSP**	**5050/-**
Tea Bank	FBOPFEXSP1	4450/-

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

CTC TEAS

HIGH GROWN

***Dunsinane CTC**	**PF1**	**1100/-**
Dunsinane CTC	PF1	1080/-
***Florence CTC**	**PF1**	**1060/-**

MEDIUM GROWN

Delta CTC	BP1	980/-
Strathdon CTC	PF1	1120/-
***New Peacock CTC**	**PF1**	**1100/-**
Aultmore CTC	BPS	920/-

LOW GROWN

Ceciliya CTC	BP1	1340/-
Hingalgoda CTC	PF1	1550/-

OFF GRADES

Kiruwanaganga	BP	1260/-
***Chandrika CTC**	**PF**	**890/-**
***Chandrika CTC**	**PF**	**760/-**
***Ambuluwawa CTC**	**PF**	**620/-**
Gunawardana	BM	1320/-
Chandrika Est	FNGS	960/-
Wewelkandura	FNGS	960/-
Gouravilla	FNGS1	1280/-
Liyonta	BOP1A	1500/-
***Ancoombra**	**BOP1A**	**1220/-**
***Deerwood Super**	**BOP1A**	**1220/-**
New Rekadahena	BOP1A	1220/-
***Aldora**	**BOP1A**	**1200/-**
***Galagawa**	**BOP1A**	**1200/-**

BOPA

***Hedigalla**	**BOPA**	**2750/-**

DUST

HIGH GROWN

Agraouvah	Dust	1120/-
Mattakelle	Dust1	1550/-
Great Western	Dust1	1550/-
Wattegodde	Dust1	1550/-
Mount Vernon CTC	PD	1160/-
Dunsinane CTC	PD	1160/-

MEDIUM GROWN

Demodara S	Dust	880/-
Rozelle	Dust1	1240/-
Delta CTC	PD	1120/-
Delta CTC	PD	1100/-
New Peacock CTC	PD	1080/-

LOW GROWN

Chandrika Est	Dust	1040/-
Chandrika Est	Dust	1000/-
***Chandrika Est**	**Dust**	**980/-**
Ceciliyan CTC	Dust1	1320/-
Ceciliyan CTC	PD	1320/-

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COLOMBO AUCTION – WEEKLY GROSS SALE AVERAGES

SALE NO.43 OF 04th NOVEMBER, 2026

	2026			2025	
	Weekly	Month to Date	Year to Date	Weekly	Year to Date
Uva High Grown	1,110.71	1,122.17	1,032.38	1,049.93	1,042.37
Western High Grown	1,199.54	1,186.41	1,157.00	1,194.92	1,118.10
High Grown	1,174.33	1,166.46	1,118.28	1,155.48	1,093.77
Uva Medium	1,105.07	1,108.42	1,040.02	1,060.24	1,069.10
Western Medium	944.06	953.13	948.69	980.42	1,007.61
Medium Grown	998.93	1,003.54	978.19	1,001.76	1,026.97
Low Grown (Orthodox)	1,293.18	1,293.18	1,293.14	1,261.07	1,263.99
Combined L.G. (Orthodox + CTC)	1,266.82	1,258.25	1,272.63	1,243.94	1,247.66
Total	1,206.02	1,197.38	1,192.60	1,184.49	1,178.49

Private Sale Figures (29.10.2026 – 04.11.2026)	279,703.10
Cumulative	10,209,669.03

DETAILS OF TEAS AWAITING SALE

	SALE NO: 45		SALE NO: 46	
	Sale of 16th/17th Nov. '26		Sale of 23rd & 25th Nov. '26	
	Lots	Qty. (Kgs)	Lots	Qty. (Kgs)
Low Grown Leafy	2,109	720,883	1,958	668,731
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,852	721,945	1,787	711,551
Low Grown Tippy	2,063	914,287	2,016	894,258
High & Medium	2,013	897,858	1,856	819,324
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,376	1,172,781	2,127	1,067,470
Dust	537	457,120	509	431,502
Premium Flowery	365	47,184	355	49,687
Ex-Estate	700	668,160	688	641,968
Total	12,015	5,600,218	11,296	5,284,491

FUTURE CATALOGUES CLOSURE

Sale No.47 of 01st (Tue.) /02nd (Wed.) December, 2026

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

Sale No.48 of 08th(Tue.) /09th(Wed.) December, 2026

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

Sale No.49 of 14th(Mon.) /15th(Tue.) December, 2026

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **Friday, 27th November, 2026 at 04.30 p.m.**

SALE NO.45

AUCTION OF 16TH/17TH NOVEMBER, 2026

BROKERS' SELLING ORDER

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

Crop & Weather

For the period 03 - 09 November 2026

Western/Nuwara Eliya Regions: Both regions experienced bright mornings and evening showers during the week. Heavy falls above 100mm are expected in the Western Region according to the Department of Meteorology in the week ahead.

Uva/Uda Pussellawa Regions: The Uva and Uda Pussellawa regions reported bright mornings and evening showers throughout the week. The Department of Meteorology expects misty conditions in the Uva Region in the week ahead.

Low Growns: The Low Grown Region reported bright mornings and evening showers during the week. Heavy rains are expected in the Low Grown Region in the week ahead according to the Department of Meteorology

Crop Intake: The Western and Nuwara Eliya regions maintained the crop intake, whilst the Uva, Uda 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	**Sep.**	**22.18**	**20.27**	**-1.9**	**199.15**	**192.62**	**-6.5**
BANGLADESH	Sep.	11.43	13.75	2.3	61.00	71.70	10.7
KENYA	May	52.13	52.42	0.3	240.83	252.22	11.4
MALAWI	June	2.1	2.1	0.0	31.50	29.40	-2.1
NORTH INDIA	July	161.69	139.77	-21.9	530.75	525.75	-5.0
SOUTH INDIA	July	20.85	24.56	3.7	138.59	132.50	-6.1

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HOLIDAY NOTICE

This is to inform that the following locations will be closed on **Saturday 21st November 2026** due to a Company function.

- **LCBL Sample Room**
- **No, 46, Aniyakanda Stores**
- **No. 570, Weralathuduwa Stores**

OTHER MARKETS

BANGLADESH AUCTION

SALE NO. 28 OF MONDAY, 09TH NOVEMBER, 2026

CTC LEAF: 48,548 packages of tea on offer met with a fairly good demand.

BROKENS: Well made good liquoring varieties continued to be well supported but fetched prices a little lower than last. Medium sorts met with a fair demand and prices eased by Tk.3/- to Tk.5/- per kg. Plainer types met with less demand and eased often by upto Tk.5/- and more with fair withdrawals. BLF teas met with a fair demand with some withdrawals.

FANNINGS: Well made good liquoring Fannings were a fairly good market but were easier compared to last. Medium varieties met with a fair demand at lower levels. Plainer sorts met with less demand with prices easing by upto Tk.5/- and more with quite a few withdrawals. BLF teas met with a fair demand with some withdrawals.

DUST: 9,738 packages of tea on offer met with a good demand. Good liquoring Dusts sold well at around last levels. Mediums were firm to a little easier by Tk.2/- to Tk.3/- closely following quality. Plain/BLF Dusts met with more enquiry and witnessed a little less withdrawals. Blenders lent strong support with fair interest from the Loose tea buyers.

COMMENTS: Market opened with a fairly good note but with the progress of sale demand declined and prices eased quite considerably. Good varieties were fairly well competed for but all others were less in demand. Blenders continued to be fairly strong but there was much less support from the Loose tea buyers.

Dusts sold well.

Quotations – This Week – (In Taka)

Brokens	This Week	Last Week	Fannings	This Week	Last Week	Dust	This Week	Last Week
Best	**285-295**	290-295	Best	**288-295**	290-295	PD	**265-3018**	265-325
Good	**275-280**	275-282	Good	**275-280**	277-283	RD	**265-323**	245-318
Medium	**260-265**	260-270	Medium	**260-265**	263-273	D	**260-314**	250-323
Plain	**245-255**	250-255	Plain	**245-255**	250-255	CD	**268-315**	250-320
BLF	**232-259**	230-255	BLF	**232-249**	233-260	BLF	**235-240**	222-238

COURTESY: NATIONAL BROKERS LIMITED

MOMBASA TEA AUCTION MARKET REPORT

Sale No.44 of 02ND NOVEMBER, 2026

Good general demand prevailed at irregular levels for the 111,954 packages (7,346,857.00 kilos) on offer; 17.84% was unsold.

MARKET:

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

OFFERINGS :-

Orthodox Grades	-	2,754 packages (103,124.00 kilos) – 64.42% unsold.
Leaf Grades	-	53,880 packages (3,552,902.00 kilos) – 21.31% unsold.
Dust Grades	-	38,080 packages (2,823,239.00 kilos) – 10.29% unsold.
Secondary Grades	-	17,240 packages (867,592.00 kilos) – 16.24% unsold.

LEAF GRADES (M2 & M3)

BP1:

Best : Improved but irregular enquiry advancing by up to USC47.

Brighter: Met more irregular interest at USC18 dearer for select teas to mostly easier by up to USC28.

Mediums: KTDA mediums were steady to irregularly easier by up to USC8 with some lines up to USC4 above previous levels. Plantation mediums met improved absorption appreciating by up to USC44.

Lower Medium: Some teas were dearer by up to USC20 while others were irregularly easier by up to USC12.

Plainer: Better categories held steady to USC7 above last rates however others were easier by up to USC12; some lines remained without bids.

PF1:

Best : Saw irregular enquiry ranging between firm to USC8 dearer to easier by up to USC10.

Brighter : Were irregular with some teas dearer by up to USC6 to easier by up to USC10.

Mediums : KTDA mediums were steady to dearer by up to USC6 to USC4 below previous levels. Plantation mediums were firm to USC5 dearer to easier by a similar margin.

Lower Medium : Were irregular varying between steady to USC7 above previous rates to easier by up to USC6.

Plainer : Irregularly shed by up to USC14.

CTC QUOTATIONS	BP1 – USC	PF1 – USC
Best	300 - 421	315 – 346
Good	300 - 367	296 – 334
Good Medium	301- 361	286 - 321
Medium (KTDA)	238 - 267	232 – 287
Medium (Plantations)	185 - 275	202- 234
Lower Medium	160 – 247	163 – 235
Plainer	114 - 159	110 - 154

DUST GRADES (M1)

PDUST:

Best: Were easier by up to USC10.

Brighter: Irregularly shed by up to USC10.

Mediums: KTDA mediums were steady to USC12 above previous levels to easier by up to USC10. Plantation mediums gained by up to USC8.

Lower Medium: Saw irregular enquiry ranging between firm to USC4 dearer to easier by a similar margin.

Plainer: More irregular enquiry varying between steady to USC5 above last rates to easier by a similar margin for better types.

DUST1:

Best: Appreciated by up to USC30.

Brighter: Advanced by up to USC35.

Mediums: KTDA mediums mostly gained by up to USC16 but some teas shed by up to USC24. Plantation mediums were dearer by up to USC18.

Lower Medium: Gained by up to USC11 however some lines lost by a similar margin.

Plainer: Steady to USC7 below previous rates.

CTC QUOTATIONS	PDUST – USC	DUST1 – USC
Best	330 – 360	312 – 390
Good	325 – 340	315 – 361
Good Medium	270 – 342	302- 341
Medium (KTDA)	244 – 280	212 – 310
Medium (Plantati ons)	215 – 235	223 – 235
Lower Medium	166 – 222	161 – 194
Plainer	125 - 172	124 - 174

SECONDARY GRADES(S1)

In the Secondary Catalogues, **BPs** gained while **PFs** were steady. Clean well sorted coloury **Fannings** sold below previous levels while **similar DUSTs** appreciated. **Other Fannings** were about firm with **DUSTs** steady. **BMFs** were readily absorbed.

SECONDARY QUOTATIONS (USC)	BP / BP2	PF / PF2	FNGS1/FNGS	DUST / DUST2	BMF
Best / Good	269 – 353	248	192 – 245	207 – 264	-
Good Medium /Medium	-	-	164 – 202	187 - 229	-
Lower Medium	140 – 220	133 – 169	122 – 171	124 – 177	126 –136
Plainer	119 – 157	110 - 149	102 - 142	118 - 133	113 - 127

COURTESY: AFRICA TEA BROKERS LIMITED

SOUTH INDIAN ROUNDUP

FOR THE WEEKENDING – 07TH NOVEMBER 2026

KOCHI

CTC LEAF

Demand : Good Demand. Brokens sold at dearer levels but Fannings were irregular and lower.

ORTHODOX LEAF

Demand : Good Demand.

Buying Pattern : All whole leaves sold at barely steady to easier levels except for some FP and Pekoe which had tended dearer, few withdrawals were noticed on the GFOP grades. Primary/Secondary brokens and Fannings were irregular and lower arount the last levels

Market : CIS & Middle East Buyers operated.

DUST

Demand : Fair Demand.

Buying Pattern : Popular marks and good liquoring sorts traded at an easier note by Rs.2. Medium and plainer sort bolder grades fetched prices at firm levels, finer grades sold irregularly around last levels.

Market : Major Packeteers were active, Exporters operated selectively on plainer sorts. Internal buyers lended useful support.

COONOOR

CTC LEAF

Demand : Strong.

Market : Market opened firm to dearer by a Re. As the sale progressed it had firmed up totally to be sold at Rs.3/- to Rs.5/- towards the end of the sale across all grades and categories. **The overall sale percentage was 98% at an average of Rs.142.05.**

Buying Pattern: Yet again very strong participation was forthcoming from the major blenders and other regional packeteers. Internal was lending good support whilst the Export operation only confined to the larger brokens.

ORTH LEAF

Demand : Good.

Market : Market opened with a sluggish demand with the prices dropping by Rs. 2/- to Rs. 4/- with fair withdrawals. However the later part of the sale had witnessed an improved demand which prompted in a better sale percentage whilst the prices were still easier.
The overall sale percentage was 83% at an average of Rs. 152.02.

Buying Pattern: Fairly strong Export enquiry was witnessed whilst the internal was seen lending fair support.

CTC DUST

Demand : Strong.

Market : Market was generally a firm to dearer trend with the brighter liquoring teas have had a better run this week. The bolder grades of the mediums and the common teas have held their levels whilst the finer grades were rather tending easier by a Re, to Rs. 2/-.
The overall sale percentage was 95% at an average of Rs.131.73.

Buying Pattern: Fairly strong internal operation was witnessed with the Major blender lending equal support. The Export participation was also witnessed with fair quantity being absorbed by them.

ORTH DUST

Demand : Fairly strong

Market: Market for the popular primary grades were trading rather easier upto Rs. 10/- and sometimes more whilst the Mediums were barely steady. The Secondaries and Tertiaries were trading mostly easier by Rs. 1/- to Rs. 3/-.
The overall sale percentage was 93% at an average of Rs. 128.57.

Buying Pattern: Fairly strong internal participation was forthcoming with select export operation.

COIMBATORE

CTC Leaf

Demand : Strong demand.

Market : Better medium brokens were dearer by Rs.3/- to Rs.5/- sometimes more. Medium and plainer teas irregular and dearer by Re.1/- to Rs.3/- sometimes more.

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

ORTH LEAF

Demand : Less demand.

MARKET : Whole leaf were lower by Rs.6/- to Rs.10/- sometimes more. Well made brokens were lower by Rs.10/- to Rs.15/- sometimes more. BOPF not quotable.

Buying Pattern : Exporters were active.

CTC Dust

Demand : Fair general demand.

MARKET : Better medium and popular marks were irregular and lower by Re.1/- to Rs.2/- sometimes more. Medium teas were lower by Rs.2/- with few withdrawals. Plainer teas were barely steady.

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

Orth Dust

Demand : Fair demand.

Market : Powdery teas were lower by Rs.4/- to Rs.5/-. Bolder dust were firm to dearer.

Buying Pattern : Exporters were selective.

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TEA NEWS

International Tea Market – Matcha Tea Demand Continues to Expand

The global matcha tea market is expected to grow significantly, increasing from **USD 3.93 billion in 2025 to USD 6.92 billion by 2033**, at a Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of 7.34% during 2026–2033, according to DataM Intelligence.

The growth is driven by rising consumer demand for organic beverages, natural caffeine alternatives, premium tea products and matcha-based food and beverage innovations.

Key Market Developments

- **Growing Global Demand:** Matcha is increasingly used in café beverages, ready-to-drink products, confectionery, bakery items and nutritional products, expanding its market beyond traditional tea consumption.
- **Organic Matcha Leading Growth:** Organic matcha is gaining popularity due to increasing consumer preference for naturally sourced ingredients, clean-label beverages and certified organic products.
- **Powder Format Remains Dominant:** Matcha powder continues to play an important role due to its versatility in traditional tea preparation, matcha lattes, smoothies and food manufacturing.
- **Innovation in Convenient Products:** Manufacturers are introducing innovative matcha products, including ready-to-drink beverages, flavoured matcha and instant-dissolving formats to attract a wider consumer base.

Supply-Side Challenges

Despite increasing demand, premium matcha production faces supply constraints due to specialized cultivation, shading, harvesting and fine-milling requirements. Maintaining consistent quality, colour and flavour while expanding production remains a major challenge for producers.

Major Industry Players

Leading companies operating in the global matcha market include ITO EN, Aiya America, Marukyu Koyamaen and Nestlé. These companies are focusing on product innovation, manufacturing capacity and international market expansion.

Market Outlook

The continued expansion of matcha consumption across international beverage and food industries presents new opportunities for tea producers and exporters. However, reliable sourcing, quality consistency, organic certification and supply-chain management will remain important factors in maintaining competitiveness in the growing global matcha market.

Sri Lanka Promotes Ceylon Tea Through Special Lecture at Suwon University in South Korea



The Embassy of Sri Lanka in the Republic of Korea, in collaboration with Suwon University, organized a special lecture on 3 November 2026 under the theme “Ceylon Tea – Sri Lanka’s Gift to the World: Discovering Sri Lanka Through Ceylon Tea.”

The programme was conducted as part of the university’s 2026 Open Liberal Arts Programme under the course “Understanding the Global Tea Industry.” The lecture was delivered by Kasun Balasooriya, First Secretary (Commercial) of the Embassy of Sri Lanka.

The session introduced students to Sri Lanka’s tea heritage, history, major tea-growing regions and the unique flavours and aromas of Ceylon Tea, highlighting the influence of the country’s diverse climatic and geographical conditions.

A special Ceylon Tea tasting session was also conducted, sponsored by the Sri Lanka Tea Board and Tea Korea Co., Ltd., the Korean importer of AKBAR Tea. This provided students with an opportunity to experience the quality and distinctive characteristics of Sri Lankan black tea.
The initiative aimed to strengthen awareness of Ceylon Tea among Korean consumers while promoting Sri Lanka’s cultural heritage and tourism. It also provided an opportunity to strengthen educational and commercial engagement between Sri Lanka and South Korea.

Market Significance:
This initiative represents a positive promotional effort to strengthen Ceylon Tea's presence in the South Korean market. University-level engagement, product tasting and collaboration with local importers can help increase consumer awareness, develop brand recognition and create further opportunities for Sri Lankan tea exporters in the Korean market.

Scientific Review Highlights Different Health Benefits and Properties of Major Tea Types



A systematic review of scientific studies published between 2019 and 2025 has highlighted the different biochemical properties and potential health effects of major tea varieties, including Green, Black, Oolong, White and Dark Tea.
The review found that tea processing methods significantly influence the chemical composition of tea, particularly its polyphenols and other bioactive compounds.

Key Findings

- **Green Tea:** Retains high levels of natural catechins due to minimal oxidation during processing.
- **White Tea:** Maintains high concentrations of natural polyphenols because of its minimal processing methods.
- **Black Tea:** Contains theaflavins and thearubigins, which develop through extensive oxidation during manufacturing.
- **Oolong Tea:** Has a distinct chemical composition influenced by partial oxidation.

Dark Tea: Develops unique compounds, including theabrownins, through post-fermentation processes.

The review also examined the potential effects of different tea varieties on metabolic health, cardiovascular risk factors, inflammation and gut microbial activity.
The findings highlight how tea manufacturing and processing methods influence the nutritional and functional characteristics of different tea categories.

Industry Significance

The growing scientific interest in tea's bioactive compounds could create further opportunities for the global tea industry, particularly in functional beverages, premium tea products and health-oriented consumer markets. Understanding the chemical properties of different tea varieties may also help producers strengthen product differentiation and value addition.
Source: Bioengineer.org – 09 November 2026. Based on a systematic review of research published between 2019 and 2025.