



TEA MARKET REPORT

SALE NO: **06** of FEBRUARY 07 & 08, 2023

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COMMENTS

The Colombo Tea Auction has recorded a composite total sale average of Rs.1466.76 for January, 2023 which signifies a positive variance of Rs.762.09 when compared to the average of the corresponding month last year. Last month's High and Medium elevational averages were Rs.714.47 and Rs.616.09 higher respectively, when compared to January, 2022, whilst the Low elevation average of Rs.1544.39 was Rs.810.70 higher. Detailed averages divided in to sub elevations as well as Orthodox and CTC manufacture appear elsewhere in this report.

This week's Tea Auction, namely Sale # 06 of 2023 was held on February 07 & 08, 2023 (Tue/Wed), with a weight of 4.5 mkg, reflecting a decrease of 0.47 mkg over the previous week's quantity. The Low Grown Leafy, Semi Leafy, Tippy & Small Leaf/ Premium Flowery catalogues totaled 2.2 mkg, while the Main Sale High & Medium segment had 0.4 mkg. The Ex Estate category had 0.59 mkg.

There was improved demand for the better liquoring teas in the Ex Estate catalogue. Best Western BOP's and BOPF's appreciated Rs.100/- and more following quality, whilst improved below-best teas advanced Rs.50/- to 100/-. Plain teas at the lower end were firm to Rs.50/- dearer. Nuwara Eliya BOP's and BOPF's were mostly unsold for want of suitable bids. Uda Pussellawa BOP's were also mostly unsold due to much weaker bids, whilst their corresponding BOPF's were irregular and lower. Neater Uva BOP's were firm, while others eased up to Rs.100/-. Coloury, Uva BOPF's were fully firm to dearer. CTC Teas – High Grown PF1's were mostly firm, while, the better made Medium sorts ruled fully firm to dearer. Low Grown sorts mostly held firm. There were hardly any High Grown BP1's on offer, while, Mediums were firm and tended dearer. Selected, Low Grown BP1's were dearer up to Rs.100/-, whilst, prices were mostly firm at the lower end. There was improved demand from the Western Markets, while buying for Japan, China and Taiwan too was more widespread. Russian interest continued to play a dominant role in the market.

There was fair demand for Low Grown Teas. Select best OP1's and below-best teas held firm, while, others were easier. The better OP's and OPA's in general were firm whilst poorer sorts were easier. The best BOP1's were fully firm, while below-best types were easier. Pekoes / PEK1's in general were lower to last. Well-made, selected FBOP's were firm, while others together with FBOPF1's were easier. Bottom level teas however, were fully firm. Demand was again rather selective from Iran. There was good interest however, from buyers for Saudi Arabia, The UAE and other Middle Eastern countries, and, sustained demand was seen from Russia and the CIS. Türkiye and Syria were less active for Pekoe grades amidst the serious earthquakes experienced on 6 February, 2023 which caused severe destruction and loss of lives. Libya was active for secondary whole leaf grades, whilst Iraq picked up the bottom level teas.

This week's auction comprised of 9,286 lots with a total quantity of 4,557,317 kgs.

In Lighter Vein

The catalogue wise breakdown was as follows:-

What It Used to Be Like

	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>	
Low Grown Leafy	1,684	616,908	<i>An older couple were lying in bed one night. The husband was falling asleep but the wife was in a romantic mood and wanted to talk. She said, "You used to hold my hand when we were courting."</i>
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,342	569,789	
Low Grown Tippy	1,952	985,900	
High & Medium	968	407,846	<i>Wearily he reached across, held her hand for a second and tried to get back to sleep. A few moments later she said, "Then you used to kiss me." Mildly irritated, he reached across, gave her a peck on the cheek and settled down to sleep.</i>
Off Grade/BOP1A	1,967	950,584	
Dust	420	378,904	
Premium Flowery	366	56,972	<i>Thirty seconds later she said, "Then you used to bite my neck." Angrily, he threw back the bed clothes and got out of bed. "Where are you going?" she asked. "To get my teeth!"</i>
Ex-Estate	<u>587</u>	<u>590,414</u>	
Total	<u>9,286</u>	<u>4,557,317</u>	

LOW GROWN TEAS

LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY

BOP1 : Stylish BOP1's eased Rs.30-60/-, whilst the secondaries and poorer types were fully firm to dearer.

OP1 : Well made teas maintained last levels; others were irregularly lower by Rs.20-50/-.

OP : Best on offer maintained last levels; others were irregular and mostly lower.

OPA : Select best types gained Rs.30-50/-; others were fully firm to dearer.

PEK/PEK1: Select best types maintained last levels; others declined Rs.50-80/- as the sale progressed.

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>
BOP1	2600-3350	2700-3600	1650-2600	1600-2700	1300-1650	1500-1600
OP1	1600-3500	1700-3450	1200-1600	1300-1700	850-1200	900-1300
OP	1600-2400	1650-2400	1250-1600	1300-1650	850-1250	900-1300
OPA	1750-2250	1600-2200	1350-1750	1250-1600	900-1350	850-1250
PEK/PEK1	2100-2900	2200-2800	1600-2100	1700-2200	1100-1600	1400-1700

TIPPY/SMALL LEAF

BOP/BOPSP : Select Best BOPs were firm to dearer. However, balance declined.

BOPF/BOPFS : A selection of select Best BOPFs were firm to dearer on special inquiry. Others were easier.

FBOP/FBOP1 : A selection of few select Best FBOPs were firm on special inquiry. Balance together with Best were easier. However, a selection of bold varieties in the Below Best category were firm to dearer. Balance too eased. FBOP1s in general were easier.

FBOPF/FBOPF1 : Best and Below Best sold on last levels, whilst cleaner teas at the lower end were firm. Balance were easier. However, a selection of leafier varieties were firm to selectively dearer. Well made FF1 were easier. However, a few cleaner Below Best and cleaner teas at the lower end sold on last levels. Balance eased.

FBOPFSP/EXSP : Declined and were mostly unsellable due to lack of suitable bids.

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>
BOP/BOPSP	1700-2750	1800-2700	1400-1700	1400-1800	1000-1400	1000-1400
BOPF /BOPFSP	1800-2700	1800-2450	1400-1800	1400-1800	1000-1400	900-1400
FBOP/FBOP1	1800-3000	1700-2900	1500-1800	1500-1700	1300-1500	1200-1500
FBOPF/FBOPF1	1700-2450	1700-2500	1400-1700	1400-1700	1200-1400	1100-1400
FBOPFSP/EXSP	3000-7650	3000-6950	1800-3000	1500-3000	1300-1800	1100-1500

MEDIUM GROWN LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY TEAS

- FBOP** : Best FBOP's declined Rs.50-100/- and more towards the close. Below best and the poorer types too lost in value.
- FBOPF/FBOPF1** : Well made teas on offer declined Rs.100/- and more. Below best and the poorer types too lost Rs.50-100/-.
- PEK/PEK1** : Best shotty PEK/PEK1 types lost Rs.50/- and more. Secondaries and the mixed varieties were declined fairly sharply.

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	1550-2200	1600-2450	1150-1550	1200-1600	900-1150	950-1200
FBOPF/FBOPF1	1450-1850	1500-2000	1050-1450	1100-1500	950-1050	1000-1100
PEK/PEK1	1850-2300	1900-2300	1300-1850	1350-1900	1100-1300	1200-1350

HIGH GROWNS TEAS

BOP: Best Western's appreciated Rs.100 per kg and more following quality. In the Below Best and Plainer categories, improved teas appreciated Rs.50-100 per kg whilst the others were firm and up to Rs.50 per kg dearer. Nuwara Eliya's were mostly unsold. Uda Pussellawa's - Better sorts were mostly unsold, whilst the others were barely steady. Uva's - Better varieties were firm following quality, whilst the others declined Rs.50-100 per kg.

BOPF: Best Western's gained Rs.100 per kg and more following quality. Improved teas in the Below Best category appreciated Rs.50-100 per kg whilst the Plainer sorts were firm and up to Rs.50 per kg dearer. Nuwara Eliya's were mostly unsold, Uda Pussellawa's - Better sorts were fully firm, whilst the others were irregular and mostly lower. Uva's were firm with select coloury invoices gaining 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	1700-2050	1600-1750	1700-1900	1600-1700
Below Best Westerns	1500-1650	1460-1550	1550-1650	1460-1550
Plainer Westerns	1200-1480	1300-1440	1300-1500	1400-1440
Nuwara Eliyas	1240-1500	N/A	N/A	N/A
Brighter UdaPussellawas	N/A	N/A	1440-1480	1340-1460
Other Uda Pussellawas	1080-1180	1080	1060-1260	1100-1180
Best Uva's	1550	1200-1360	1380-1550	1380-1480
Other Uva's	1160-1280	1000-1100	1180-1240	1180-1280

MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

BOP : Large Leaf teas were firm to marginally dearer whilst the others were firm and up to Rs.50 per kg dearer.

BOPF : Declined Rs.20-40 per kg and more.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BOP		BOPF	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Best Westerns	950-2150	900-1800	1000-N/A	980-1180

CTC TEAS

HIGH GROWN:

BP1 - Hardly any offerings.

PF1 - Mostly firm.

MEDIUM GROWN:

BP1 - Firm and tended dearer.

PF1 - Better sorts were barely steady, whilst the others were firm and tended dearer.

LOW GROWN:

BP1 - Select invoices were up to Rs.100 per kg dearer, whilst the others were firm.

PF1 - Sold around last week s levels.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)	BP1		PF1	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
High	NOT QUOTED	NOT QUOTED	1240-1340	1160-1320
Medium	820-1380	1180-1360	800-1380	740-1360
Low	900-1440	820-1400	760-1900	830-2350

OFF GRADES

FGS/FGS1 : Select best Liquoring FNGS/FNGS1s' lost Rs.20/- per kg; others held firm. Clean Low Grown well-made FNGS1's firm on last whilst others little irregular.

BM : Well-made BM's lost Rs.20-50/-. Best types held firm whilst poorer types firm to dearer Rs.10-20/- per kg.

BOP1A : Select best BOP1A's lost Rs.50-100/-. Best teas held firm. Poorer types advanced Rs.10-20/- per kg.

QUOTATIONS (Rs./kg)	HIGH		MEDIUM		LOW	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Good Fannings (Orthodox)	850-1420	850-1440	720-900	720-900	770-960	770-960
Good Fannings (CTC)	580-830	580-830	590-840	590-840	590-830	590-830
Other Fannings (Orthodox)	550-820	550-820	580-850	580-850	580-840	580-840
Other Fannings (CTC)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Good BM's	780-900	780-910	790-900	790-920	790-940	790-970
Other BM's	750-850	750-850	750-890	750-890	750-890	750-890
Best BOP1As	850-950	850-950	950-1150	950-1150	1650-1700	1250-1700
Other BOP1As	770-900	770-900	770-920	770-920	770-1000	770-1000

DUST

DUST/DUST1 : High Grown liquoring Dust/Dust1's maintained last levels whilst their secondaries and below best types eased Rs.30-50. Medium grown met with an irregular market condition and lost Rs.30-60/- following quality. Low grown clean Dust1's maintained last levels, whilst the others were irregular and mostly lower.

PD : PDust grades from all three elevations 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)	1350-2050	1300-2000	800-1550	850-1600	850-1700	800-1280
Good Primary PD (CTC)	800-1440	750-1400	750-1460	700-1380	750-1950	700-1950
Secondary Dust	700-1550	700-1500	700-880	750-900	700-1600	750-1280

WESTERN MEDIUM

*Harangalla	BOP1	1800/-
Craighead	OP1	2000/-
*Dartry Valley	OP/OPA	1700/-
New Fernland	OP/OPA	1700/-
*Harangalla	OP/OPA	1650/-
*Orange Field	OP/OPA	1650/-
*Harangalla	PEK/PEK1	2300/-
Harangalla	BOP	2150/-
Nayapane	BOPSP	1500/-
*Uplands	BOPF/BOPFSP	1400/-
*Harangalla	BOPF/BOPFSP	1300/-
Doombagastalawa	FBOP/FBOP1	2200/-
Craighead	FBOP/FBOP1	2200/-
*Harangalla	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1850/-
Harangalla	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1850/-
Dartry Valley	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1850/-

WESTERN HIGH

Holyrood	BOP	2050/-
Somerset	BOP SP	1700/-
Somerset	BOPF/BOPFSP	1900/-
Inverness	BOP1	1600/-
Torrington	FBOP/FBOP1	1650/-
St. Andrews	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1550/-
Frotoft Super	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1550/-
Torrington	OP/OPA	1800/-
Venture	OP1	1750/-
Frotoft Super	PEK/PEK1	2000/-

NUWARA ELIYA

Lovers Leap	BOP	1500/-
Mahagastotte	FBOP/FBOP1	2050/-
Lovers Leap	PEK/PEK1	1750/-

CTC TEAS**HIGH GROWN**

Dunsinane CTC	PF1	1340/-
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MEDIUM GROWN

*Rothschild CTC	PF1	1380/-
Delta CTC	BP1	1380/-
Donside CTC	BPS	1160/-

LOW GROWN

*Kalubowitiyana	PF1	1900/-
Ceciliyan CTC	BP1	1440/-
Canora CTC	BPS	940/-

UVA MEDIUM

Misty Uva	BOP1	1750/-
High Spring	OP1	1700/-
*Halpewatte Uva	OP1	1600/-
Glen Alpin	OP/OPA	1750/-
Telbedde	PEK/PEK1	2150/-
Dickwella	PEK/PEK1	2150/-
Halpewatte Uva	BOP	1650/-
Demodera 'S'	BOPSP	1160/-
Dickwella	BOPF/BOPFSP	1550/-
El Teb	BOPF/BOPFSP	1550/-
*Halpewatte Uva	FBOP/FBOP1	2150/-
Sarnia Plaiderie	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1550/-
Glen Alpin	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1550/-

UVA HIGH

Spring Valley	BOP1	1500/-
Uvakellie	OP1	1800/-
Craig	OP/OPA	1700/-
Craig	PEK/PEK1	2000/-
Ampittikande	PEK/PEK1	2000/-
Glenanore	PEK/PEK1	2000/-
Aislaby	BOP	1500/-
Ranaya	BOPSP	1480/-
Bandaraeliya	BOPF/BOPFSP	1550/-
Ranaya	FBOP/FBOP1	1900/-
Glenanore	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1700/-

UDA PUSSELLAWA

Delmar	BOP1	1700/-
*Delmar	OP1	1100/-
Alma	OP/OPA	1550/-
Gampaha	OP/OPA	1550/-
Gampaha	PEK/PEK1	2100/-
Ragalla	BOP	1180/-
*Delmar	BOPSP	1240/-
Kirklees	BOPF/BOPFSP	1480/-
*Delmar	FBOP/FBOP1	1600/-
Alma	FBOP/FBOP1	1600/-
Alma	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1550/-

OFF GRADES

Liyonta	BP	1420/-
Maratenne	BP	1420/-
*Orange Field	BP	1320/-
*Kothmale Hills	BP	1260/-
*Dartry	BP	1260/-
*Mahambana	BP	1200/-
Hingalgoda CTC	PF	1460/-
Wathurawilla	BM	1500/-
Holyrood	FNGS/FNGS1	1480/-
Dessford	FNGS/FNGS1	1480/-
Shannon	FNGS/FNGS1	1480/-
Forest Creek	FNGS/FNGS1	1480/-
Somerset	FNGS/FNGS1	1480/-
Aldora	BOP1A	1750/-
*Garden Leaf	BOP1A	1730/-
*Narangalla Super	BOP1A	1700/-
*Aldora	BOP1A	1700/-
Chandrika Estate	BOP1A	1700/-
*Chandrika Estate	BOP1A	1650/-
*Andaradeniya Super	BOP1A	1650/-
*Aldora	BOP1A	1650/-

LOW GROWN LEAFY GRADES

Sithaka	BOP1	3350/-
Ceciliyan	BOP1	3350/-
Lumbini	OP1	3500/-
Galatara	OP	2400/-
A C U Super	OPA	2250/-
Liyonta	PEKOE	2900/-
Lumbini	PEKOE	2750/-
*Katandola	PEKOE	2450/-
A C U Super	PEKOE1	2700/-
Galatara	PEKOE1	2500/-
Sihara	PEKOE1	2500/-
H P P Tea	PEKOE1	2500/-
New J.S.P	PEKOE1	2500/-
Hidellena	PEKOE1	2500/-
Mutuwigala	PEKOE1	2500/-
*Andaradeniya Super	PEKOE1	2450/-

LOW GROWN TIPPY GRADES

Pothotuwa	BOP	2750/-
Rumassala Hills	BOPSP	2600/-
*Sithaka	BOPF	2450/-
Brombil	BOPF	2250/-
*Hidellena	BOPF	2200/-
Kiruwanaganga	BOPFSP	2700/-
Sithaka	FBOP	3000/-
Gangaboda	FBOP1	2050/-
Nilwala	FBOP1	1950/-
*Hidellena	FBOP1	1900/-
Gunawardana	FBOPF	2400/-
Sirimewana	FBOPF	2400/-
Wathurawilla	FBOPF1	2450/-
*Makandura	FBOPF1	2350/-
Pothotuwa	FBOPF1	2350/-
Galatara	FBOPF1	2350/-

PREMIUM FLOWERY

Wikiliya	FBOPFSP	5050/-
Lickra	FBOPFEXSP	7650/-
Brombil	FBOPFEXSP1	6950/-

Dust

Mattekelle	DUST/DUST1	2050/-
Ceciliyan CTC	PD	1950/-

COLOMBO AUCTION – WEEKLY GROSS SALE AVERAGES

SALE NO.05 OF 31ST JANUARY, 2023

	2023			2022	
	Weekly	Month to Date	Year to Date	Weekly	Year to Date
Uva High Grown	1177.15	1244.56	1245.55	643.01	629.26
Western High Grown	1445.08	1488.53	1483.00	730.84	723.42
High Grown	1380.23	1422.85	1419.04	709.72	694.82
Uva Medium	1222.45	1253.60	1269.07	652.66	649.10
Western Medium	1191.19	1233.88	1237.85	658.25	628.94
Medium Grown	1199.40	1239.71	1247.04	656.82	635.21
Low Grown (Orthodox)	1572.63	1590.81	1590.81	781.38	760.67
Combined L.G. (Orthodox + CTC)	1547.93	1549.06	1562.57	765.91	744.53
Total	1465.40	1476.03	1486.12	734.61	716.13

Private Sale Figures (30.01.2023- 04.02.2023) - 120,438.00 kgs

Cumulative - 505,431.10 kgs

DETAILS OF TEAS AWAITING SALE

	<u>Sale of 14th/15th Feb. '23</u>		<u>Sale of 21st/22nd Feb. '23</u>	
	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Qty. (Kgs)</u>
Low Grown Leafy	1,744	636,813.0	1,739	627,392
Low Grown Semi Leafy	1,485	627,830.0	1,516	659,185
Low Grown Tippy	2,166	1,111,100.0	2,047	1,028,044
High & Medium	1,220	527,550.0	1,233	523,284
Off Grade/BOP1A	1,942	955,699.0	1,899	928,825
Dust	453	426,975.0	465	428,132
Premium Flowery	456	80,000.5	407	65,401
Ex-Estate	<u>692</u>	<u>704,673.0</u>	<u>707</u>	<u>739,541</u>
Total	<u>10,158</u>	<u>5,070,640.5</u>	<u>10,013</u>	<u>4,999,804</u>

NATIONAL ELEVATIONAL AVERAGES - JANUARY, 2023		
Elevation	MONTH / TO-DATE	
	QUANTITY -KG-	AVERAGE -RS.-
ORTHODOX		
UVA-HIGH	1,276,225	1248.08
WESTERN-HIGH	3,088,849	1516.79
UVA-MEDIUM	1,112,627	1253.23
WESTERN-MEDIUM	1,823,345	1291.31
LOW	14,338,679	1592.89
TOTAL	21,639,725	1518.82
CTC		
UVA -HIGH	46,320	1282.31
WESTERN- HIGH	360,668	1244.48
WESTERN - MEDIUM	767,698	1113.72
LOW	1,301,113	1076.95
TOTAL	2,475,799	1116.60
ORTHODOX/CTC (Combined)		
UVA-HIGH	1,322,545	1,249.28
WESTERN-HIGH	3,449,517	1,488.32
UVA-MEDIUM	1,112,627	1,253.23
WESTERN-MEDIUM	2,591,043	1,238.70
LOW	15,639,792	1,549.97
TOTAL	24,115,524	1,477.53

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FUTURE CATALOGUES CLOSURE

Sale No.09 of 28th Feb/01st March, 2023

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **09th February, 2023 at 04.30 p.m.**

Sale No.10 of 07th/08th March, 2023

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **16th February, 2023 at 04.30 p.m.**

Sale No.11 of 14th/15th March, 2023

The Main Sale & Ex-Estate Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on **23rd February, 2023 at 04.30 p.m.**

BROKER'S SELLING ORDER

SALE NO. 07

Auction of 14th/15th February, 2023

Leafy/Semi Leafy/Tippy/BOP1A/ Premium Flowery

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

High & Medium/Off Grades/Dust

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

Ex-Estate

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5. Eastern Brokers PLC
6. Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
7. **Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd**
8. John Keells PLC

Crop & Weather

For the period of 30th January to 05th February, 2023

Western/Nuwara Eliya Regions:

Gloomy mornings and scattered evening showers were reported in the Western Region, whilst the Nuwara Eliya Region reported overcast weather conditions with showers throughout the week. According to the Department of Meteorology, heavy showers are expected in the Western Region in the week ahead.

Uva/ Udapussellawa Region:

The Udapussellawa Region reported dull mornings and evening showers, whilst the Uva Region reported gloomy weather throughout the week. Sporadic showers are expected in the Uva Region in the week ahead according to the Department of Meteorology.

Low Grown:

Overcast mornings and occasional evening showers were reported in the Low Grown Region throughout the week. The Department of Meteorology expects heavy showers in the Ruhuna and Sabaragamuwa regions in the week ahead.

Crop Intake:

The Western and Nuwara Eliya regions maintained the crop intake, whilst the Uva, Udapussellawa and Low Grown regions reported a decline.

WORLD CROP STATISTICS (MKGS)

<i>Country</i>	<i>Month</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>Difference</i> <i>+/-</i>	<i>To-date</i> <i>2021</i>	<i>To-date</i> <i>2022</i>	<i>Difference</i> <i>+/-</i>
SRI LANKA	<i>Dec.</i>	20.52	19.50	-1.02	299.48	251.50	-47.98
BANGLADESH	Dec.	6.93	7.78	0.85	96.51	93.83	-2.68
KENYA	Sep.	43.20	38.20	-5.00	385.60	378.30	-7.3
NORTH INDIA	Nov.	104.10	111.6	7.50	1057.10	1062.40	5.30
SOUTH INDIA	Nov.	16.70	21.20	4.50	220.00	215.60	-4.40
MALAWI	Aug.	2.09	1.99	-0.10	38.40	35.70	-2.7
TANZANIA	June	1.80	1.76	-0.04	16.56	20.37	3.8
UGANDA	July	5.65	2.77	-2.9	45.86	33.32	-12.54



ANNUAL STOCK VERIFICATION – Akbar Brothers Ltd

Please note that **Annual Stock Verification of the above buyer will be held on 27th & 28th February 2023.**

Therefore, all Ex-Estate deliveries will be accepted **only until 25th February 2023.**

No teas should be delivered to their warehouses during the stock verification on 27th & 28th February 2023.

All deliveries will be accepted as usual from 1st March 2023.

OTHER MARKETS

MALAWI MARKET REPORT SALE 06 HELD ON 18/01/2023

Low demand continued for the 2320 packages on offer.

BP1 – Some invoices were taken out under bids, balance were neglected.

PF1SC – N/A.

PF1 – Few lines on offer were taken out under bids.

PD – Few lines available sold firm on last.

Secondaries – Lower end F2 tended firm where sold, balance were generally neglected of low quality.

WEATHER/CROP FOR THE WEEK ENDING 5TH FEBRUARY, 2023

It was partly cloudy, warm to hot during the day and night with reduced rainfall pattern.

Crop intakes continued high.

TEA BROKERS CENTRAL AFRICA LIMITED

BANGLADESH AUCTION

SALE NO.40 OF MONDAY 06th FEBRUARY, 2023

CTC LEAF : 50,621 packages of Current Season teas on offer met with much less demand with heavy withdrawals.

BROKENS : There were only a few clean Brokens on offer which met with a strong demand and sold in line with quality. Other varieties where quality declined met with a limited demand and where sold recorded a drop in price. There were very heavy withdrawals in this category. Poor varieties met with limited enquiry and were generally withdrawn without bids. BLFs met with a fairly good interest at steady rates. However, there were withdrawals.

FANNINGS: Once again only a small weight of clean Fannings were available for sale which met with quite a strong demand and were generally firm to slightly easier. Other varieties witnessed a limited demand and where sold recorded a fair decline in price. There were again quite heavy withdrawals in this category. Plain poor varieties were generally neglected with heavy withdrawals. BLF teas met with a fairly good demand and were generally firm to occasionally dearer.

CTC DUST : 11,365 packages of Current Season teas on offer met with a fair demand. Bright liquoring Dusts met with fairly good demand. Mediums met with only fair demand and had some withdrawals. Plain and BLF Dusts were again an easier market with fair withdrawals. Blenders were fairly active with some interest from the Loose tea buyers.

COMMENTS: Bulk of the offerings were end of season varieties which were mostly discriminated against owing to lack of demand for these types. Blenders lent fairly good support for clean varieties whereas Loose tea buyers operated at the lower end of the market. Withdrawals were heavy this week with a decline in the average price.

Dusts were an easier market with some withdrawals.

Quotations – This Week – (In Taka)

Brokens	This Week	Last Week	Fannings	This Week	Last Week	Dust	This Week	Last Week
Large	200-210N	210-220 N	Best	230-250N	230 - 245	PD	183-278	184 - 267
Medium	195-210	205 - 220	Good	210-220	215 - 225	RD	90-278	140 - 335
Small	195-215	205 - 225	Medium	170-190	185 - 200	D	100-295	111 - 297
Plain	120-140	130 - 150	Plain	130-140	140 - 150	CD	116-300	134 - 299
BLF	120-140	125 - 145	BLF	125-145	125 - 145	BLF	125-200	140 - 195



SOUTH INDIAN ROUNDUP

FOR THE WEEK ENDING – 04TH FEBRUARY, 2023

KOCHI

CTC LEAF

Demand : Good Demand. All grades sold fully firm levels.

ORTHODOX LEAF

Demand : Fair Demand.

Market : The Whole leaf grades sold fully firm to easier by Rs.2 to 4. The tippy and the primary broken sold barely to steady levels on the cleaner sorts. The secondary broken and Fanning's sold steady on the cleaner blacker types.

Buying Pattern : Middle East and CIS buyers operated.

DUST

Demand : Good demand.

Market : Good Liquoring & Popular marks sold fully firm to occasionally dearer by Rs.1 to 2. Plain sorts also appreciated in value by Rs.2 to 3.

Buying Pattern : Major Blenders operated with some support from packeteers, internal buyers were selective.

COONOR

CTC LEAF

Demand : Strong.

Market : Market opened strongly with prices being fully firm on the Better and Mediums, whilst the lower Mediums and the Common types have surged in prices by Rs.2/- to Rs.3/-. However as the sale progressed there has been a sluggish approach towards the Larger Broken which had suffered fair outlots.

Buying Pattern : The Major Blenders continued to absorb on the major quantity that was traded. Fairly good support was witnessed from the Regional Packeteers along with the other Internal buyers. However Export has been very selective or rather subdued.

ORTH LEAF

Demand : Good.

Market : An irregular market, mostly easier across all grades and categories by Rs.4/- to Rs.5/- and upto Rs.10/- on the Whole leaf grades. However some select lines of Broken have traded at fully firm to dearer levels.

Buying Pattern : Strong export participation was witnessed with Shah Brothers, Madhu Jayanthi and Girnar Food were seen active. Otherwise a subdued interest from the Internal buyers.

CTC DUST**Demand :** Strong.**Market :** The dust market has been buoyant with teas across all types and grades trading at dearer levels. The price surge was witnessed more on the Smaller and on the Finer grades which had sold upto Rs.8/- dearer.**Buying Pattern :** Fairly good Internal enquiry was forthcoming with equally good support from the Major Blender. Export has been lending good support competing well within themselves. Anjenaya Enterprises continued their support on the Brighter liquoring sorts.**ORTH DUST****Demand :** Strong.**Market :** Market witnessed an easier trend on the Primary and Secondary grades by Rs. 2/- to Rs. 6/- lower. However the Tertiaries have had better demand thereby trading at fully firm to dearer levels.**Buying Pattern :** Madhu Jayanthi and Girnar were buying actively on the Export from. Anjenaya Enterprises continued their support on the flavoury liquoring descriptions.**COIMBATORE****CTC LEAF****Demand :** Good general demand.**Market :** Better medium teas were firm to occasionally dearer by Rs.2/- with some withdrawals. Medium bolder brokenes were dearer by Rs.5/- to Rs.7/- sometimes more. Others fully firm. Plainer bolder brokenes were dearer by Rs.5/- to Rs.8/- sometimes more. Others dearer by Rs.2/- to Rs.3/-.**Buying Pattern :** Blenders , packeteers and internal were active. Others selective.**ORTH LEAF****Demand :** Fair demand.**Market :** Whole leaf firm to dearer by Rs.2/- to Rs.4/- sometimes more. Brokenes suffered heavy withdrawals.**Buying Pattern :** Exporters and internal were selective.**CTC DUST****Demand :** Good demand.**Market :** Better medium and popular sorts were firm to dearer by Rs.2/- sometimes more on finer grades. Medium and plainer teas were dearer by Rs.2/- to Rs.5/-.**Buying Pattern :** Internal were active. Others selective.**ORTH DUST**

Demand :	} Not Quotable.
Market :	
Buying Pattern :	

Source: Paramount Tea Marketing (SI) Private Limited

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INTERNATIONAL TEA NEWS

Common benefits of green tea you must know about

Green tea has a long history in China, where it has been consumed as a beverage with complex flavours and used medicinally for a very long time

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Image shows green tea in a glass cup

Green tea has a long history in China, where it has been consumed as a beverage with complex flavours and [used medicinally](#) for a very long time. Today, green tea is widely drunk and has grown in popularity due to its numerous, highly regarded health advantages.

The Camellia sinensis plant's leaves are used to make green tea. Despite the fact that all tea varieties come from the same plant, green tea is regarded as being [the healthiest](#) due to the way it is prepared.

Benefits of green tea

Young plant leaves are picked, withered, steamed or pan-fried, and then dried to make green tea.

Many of the beneficial components included in tea leaves are preserved by this process, which also aids in preventing fermentation.

The health benefits of green tea are due to the high antioxidant content of the beverage. Polyphenols, which are organic substances that reduce inflammation, defend against oxidative stress, and stop cell damage, are abundant in tea.

Does green tea lower blood sugar?

Green tea may prevent type 2 diabetes by controlling blood sugar levels and reducing insulin resistance, according to studies.

It was discovered after a review and analysis of 19 research studies involving more than one million adults from eight different nations that at least four cups of black, green, or oolong tea each day over a period of ten years may help lower the incidence of type 2 diabetes. Researchers who conducted the evaluation and analysis observed that the study's data was arbitrary and might have been influenced by other lifestyle factors.

According to a study conducted on Chinese individuals, drinking green tea regularly lowers the likelihood of developing type 2 diabetes, as well as the mortality and health issues linked to the disease.

Does drinking green tea help you lose weight?

Studies examining the relationship between drinking green tea and weight loss have discovered that the caffeine and catechins in green tea may boost metabolism and aid in fat burning.

In one study examining the benefits of green tea extract (GTE) on weight loss, individuals had considerable weight loss and a decreased body mass index (BMI) after taking GTE supplements for 12 weeks.

Is green tea a diuretic?

Caffeine, a chemical with natural diuretic qualities, is abundant in green tea. Diuretics help rid your body of salt (sodium) and water. Even if one cup of tea does not provide the essential quantity of caffeine for this, drinking three cups a day can boost urine production and aid in the removal of extra fluid from the body.

Is green tea hydrating?

If green tea is a diuretic, would it not dehydrate you?

Despite the widespread belief that green tea causes dehydration, a recent study disproved this myth. A study by Loughborough University found that after being given five to eight cups of tea, those who had been caffeine-free for a few days tended to temporarily boost their fluid output.

Your hydration won't be impacted if you restrict yourself to no more than five cups of green tea every day. The study also discovered that people who regularly use caffeine are generally immune to the diuretic effects of green tea and other caffeinated drinks.

