



LANKA COMMODITY BROKERS LTD
TEA MARKET REPORT

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SALE NO.40 OF 09TH & 10TH OCTOBER, 2018
COMMENTS

The total quantity on offer this week was 4.8 Mkgs which comprised of 2.1 Mkgs of Low Grown and 0.7 Mkgs of High Grown Ex-Estate teas. Due to more favourable weather that was experienced in the recent past the sale quantity for the ensuing sale of 16th/ 17th October, 2018 has increased up to 5.0 Mkgs whilst the following sale to be held on 22nd/ 23rd October, 2018 has a further increase of 5.6Mkgs.

Low Grown teas encountered more widespread demand from buyers for the Middle East as well as those operating for Turkey, Russia and the C. I. S countries which resulted in an all-round improvement in prices. In the Ex-Estate catalogue, a large multinational buyer continued to operate forcefully together with a cross section of other buyers. There was fair demand from Japan for the best Westerns although continuing selective, whilst Europe was more active. There was sustained interest for below best teas from Hong Kong and China whilst the “Tea Bag” sector operating for Russia was also forceful.

This week’s auction comprised of 9,117 lots with a total quantity of 4,883,248 Kgs.
 The catalogue-wise breakdown was as follows:-

	Lots	Qty. (Kgs)
Low Grown Leafy	3,212	1,349,732
Low Grown Tippy	1,614	812,600
High & Medium	957	493,821
Off Grade/BOPIA	1,921	997,437
Dust	485	459,016
Premium Flowery	222	37,189
Ex-Estate	<u>706</u>	<u>733,453</u>
Total	<u>9,117</u>	<u>4,883,248</u>

CROP & WEATHER
FOR THE PERIOD 01ST TO 07TH OCTOBER, 2018

As expected, both Western and Nuwara Eliya regions reported bright mornings and wet evenings throughout the week. Prevailing showery conditions are expected to enhance over the island in the days ahead according to The Department of Meteorology. Both Uva and Udapussellawa regions experienced bright mornings, dull afternoons and rainy evenings throughout the week. However, The Department of Meteorology predicts heavy rain falls above 100 mm in the week ahead. Low Grown both Ruhuna and Sabaragamuwa regions report dry mornings with wet evenings throughout the week. According to The Department of Meteorology, showers or thunder showers with temporary localized strong winds may occur in both regions in the days to come.

Crop Intake: Western and Nuwara Eliya regions show an increase in the crop intake, whilst Uva, Udapussellawa and Low Grown maintained.

In lighter vein

Finding out answers about a Patient

A sweet grandmother telephoned St. Joseph’s Hospital and she timidly asked, "Is it possible to speak to someone who can tell me how a patient is doing?"

The operator responded, "I'll be glad to help, dear. What's the patient's name and room number?"

The grandmother in her weak tremulous voice said, "Norma Findlay, Room 302."

The operator replied, "Let me place you on hold while I check with her nurse." After a few minutes the operator returned to the phone.

"Oh, good news. Her nurse has told me that Norma is doing very well. Her blood pressure is fine; her blood work just came back as normal. And her physician, Dr. Cohen, has scheduled her to be discharged Tuesday."

The grandmother said, "Thank you. That's wonderful. I was so worried! God bless you for the good news."

The operator replied, "You're more than welcome. Is Norma your daughter?"

The grandmother said, "No, I'm Norma Findlay in Room 302. No one tells me anything."

LOW GROWNS - LEAFY

BOP1: Teas in the best category were fully firm on last week levels; balance too maintained. Lower end teas were irregularly lower.

OPI : Select best invoices gained Rs.20-30/- per kg; balance too appreciated by Rs. 30-40/- per kg. Stalky invoices were barely steady.

OP : Best teas declined by Rs.20-30/- per kg; balance however gained Rs.10-15/- per kg. Teas at the lower end were generally firm.

OPA : A few selection of best category appreciated by Rs. 40-50/- whilst improved below best teas too advanced Rs.10-20/- per kg; balance was firm. Poorer sorts were irregularly lower.

PEK/PEK1: Well made shotty invoices met with good demand; balance too maintained. Bolder varieties were fully firm at the commencement but gained Rs.20/- as the sale progressed. Teas at the lower end too dearer.

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	825-1050	780-970	600-650	575-625	500-550	475-525
OPI	900-1350	850-1200	650-700	625-675	375-425	375-425
OP	670-860	680-780	520-560	500-540	370-430	370-420
OPA	700-1110	670-940	520-560	500-550	370-430	370-420
PEK/PEK1	780-1010	770-1010	670-740	650-720	500-550	475-525

TIPPY/SMALL LEAF

BOP/BOPSP : Better BOP1's were fully firm to dearer; others particularly the bolder types were irregular. At the lower end prices were generally firm.

BOPF/BOPFSP : Select best were firm. Best and well made teas in the below best were firm to dearer. Cleaner teas at the lower end too appreciated; others tended irregular.

FBOP/FBOP1 : Select best FBOP's maintained. Best and cleaner teas in the below best appreciated; others maintained. Best FBOP1's were firm to dearer. Cleaner below best too appreciated; others tended irregular following quality.

FBOPF/FBOPF1 : Very tippy teas appreciated particularly the leafier varieties. Best and well made teas in the below best gained. Teas at the lower end were firm to dearer. Select best FF1's were firm to dearer. Best and below best gained in value. Cleaner teas at the lower end too appreciated; others were irregular following quality.

FBOPFSP/EXSP : Increased in price. Best and the below best too gained in price and met with good demand.

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	780-870	760-1050	550-620	520-580	360-420	340-380
BOPF /BOPFSP	780-890	760-840	570-620	550-580	360-420	340-380
FBOP/FBOP1	780-1500	750-900	600-700	550-650	550-620	500-550
FBOPF/FBOPF1	800-1100	750-860	600-700	550-620	400-450	380-440
FBOPFSP/EXSP	900-1250	850-1950	700-800	680-780	700-750	650-700

MEDIUM GROWN LEAFY/SEMI LEAFY TEAS

FBOP : Select best types gained Rs.20-30/-; whilst the others were firm on last levels.
FBOPF/FBOPF1 : Best on offer maintained last levels whilst the others were fully firm to dearer.
PEK/PEK1 : Select best types gained Rs.20/- whilst the others were firm on last.

	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	860-1000	840-960	750-860	740-840	580-750	580-740
FBOPF/FBOPF1	800-900	800-900	700-800	730-800	590-700	600-730
PEK/PEK1	820-960	800-940	740-820	720-800	550-740	500-720

HIGH GROWNS

BOP: Best Westerns gained Rs.10-20/- per kg and more for select invoices following quality. In the below best category, brighter teas were firm and Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer; others were barely steady. Plainer sorts were irregular and tended easier. Nuwara Eliya's were mostly unsold. Udupussellawa's were barely steady. Uva colour clean leaf teas were firm and marginally dearer following special inquiry, others were barely steady.

BOPF: Best Westerns gained Rs.10-20/- per kg and substantially more for select invoices following special inquiry. In the below best category, brighter sorts gained Rs.10-20/- per kg whilst the others were firm. Plainer sorts tended easier. Nuwara Eliya's were mostly unsold. Udupussellawa's declined Rs.10-20/- per kg. Uva's declined Rs.20/- per kg and more for the high priced teas.

<u>Quotations (Rs./Kg)</u>	BOP		BOPF	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Best Westerns	720-790	690-770	740-870	720-1000
Below Best Westerns	650-700	650-680	680-730	680-710
Plainer Westerns	540-620	540-630	600-670	600-670
Nuwara Eliyas	N/A	450	510	540-570
Other Uda Pussellawas	510-520	480-490	540	N/A
Best Uva's	650-700	660-730	590-620	650-710
Other Uva's	540-550	530-560	550-560	580-600

MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

BOP: Irregular.

BOPF: Mostly firm.

<u>Quotations (Rs./Kg)</u>	BOP		BOPF	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Best Westerns	520-900	610-890	490-710	520-710

CTC

PF1: High Grown PF1's clean leaf teas were Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer; others were firm whilst Medium Growns were firm. Low Growns better sorts were Rs.20/- per kg dearer; others were irregular.

BP1: High Grown BP1's had hardly any offerings and Medium Grown BP1's were Rs.10-20/- per kg dearer whilst Low Growns were generally firm.

Quotations (Rs./Kg)

<u>Quotations (Rs./Kg)</u>	PF1		BP1	
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
High	570-610	570-620	580 FLAT	NOT QUOTED
Medium	450-630	400-640	400-510	400-570
Low	450-750	400-660	400-540	340-550

OFF GRADES

Select best liquoring advanced Rs.10-20/-; whilst the poorer types dearer Rs.10-20/-. Best BP's firm. Well made BM's advanced Rs.10-20/-. Poorer types lost Rs.10-15/-. Select best BOP1A's advanced Rs.25/- whilst poorer types lost Rs.05-10/-.

<u>QUOTATIONS (Rs/kg)</u>	<u>HIGH</u>		<u>MEDIUM</u>		<u>LOW</u>	
	<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)	400-530	375-510	300-330	320-350	300-340	320-350
Good Fannings (CTC)	320-380	310-360	320-330	300-330	320-380	300-330
Other Fannings (Orthodox)	300-350	325-350	300-330	300-340	300-330	300-340
Other Fannings (CTC)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Good BM's	390-440	370-430	380-430	370-420	380-470	380-450
Other BM's	310-320	320-330	310-320	320-330	300-320	320-330
Best BOP1As	420-450	420-450	450-500	450-475	500-560	450-550
Other BOP1As	310-320	320-330	310-320	320-330	310-320	320-330

DUST

High Grown select best liquoring D/D1's advanced by Rs.20-30/- and at times more whilst the secondary and poorer types also gained Rs. 10-20/-. Select best Low Grown D/D1's appreciated by Rs.10-20/- whilst the poorer types maintained last levels. CTC PD's were fully firm to dearer.

<u>QUOTATIONS (Rs/kg)</u>	<u>HIGH</u>		<u>MEDIUM</u>		<u>LOW</u>	
	<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 Dust 1(Orthodox)	620-890	600-880	610-650	600-660	560-650	550-600
Good Primary PD (CTC)	480-570	470-660	550-680	550-690	540-750	540-690
Other Primary Dust (Orthodox)	350-380	350-370	400-500	400-490	450-490	450-480
Other Primary Dust (CTC)	N/A	N/A	320-340	320-340	300-370	300-370
Secondary Dust	330-380	330-380	270-310	250-300	290-310	270-300
Poorer Dust	350-370	350-370	260-290	250-290	250-390	250-390

World Crop Statistics (MKGS)

Country	Month	2017	2018	Difference +/-	To-date 2017	To-date 2018	Difference +/-
SRI LANKA	Aug.	24.86	21.37	-3.49	206.70	203.69	-3.01
BANGLADESH	Aug.	10.0	10.7	0.700	39.5	37.0	-2.50
KENYA	July	31.56	35.27	3.71	232.47	266.27	33.80
MALAWI	Aug.	1.5	1.7	0.2	34.5	37.1	2.6
NORTH INDIA	Aug.	156.1	164.9	8.8	634.0	637.2	3.20
SOUTH INDIA	Aug.	20.2	11.7	-8.5	157.7	143.3	-14.40
UGANDA	Apr	5.1	1.50	-3.6	14.70	6.6	-8.10

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THIS WEEK'S TOP PRICES

<u>WESTERN MEDIUM</u>			<u>UVA MEDIUM</u>			<u>LOW GROWN LEAFY GRADES</u>		
Craighead	BOP/ BOPSP	900/-	Demodera S	BOP	710/-	New Vithanakande BOP1		1050/-
*Vellai Oya	BOPF / BOPF SP	710/-	Shawlands	BOP SP	720/-	Golden Garden BOP1		1000/-
*Dartry Valley	BOPA	870/-	El-Teb	BOPF/BOPFSP	610/-	New Vithanakande BOP1		1000/-
Craighead	BOP1	1100/-	Wewassa	BOP1	880/-	*Sithaka BOP1		980/-
*Harangalla	FBOP/FBOP1	1000/-	Halpewatte Uva	FBOP /FBOP1	900/-	Sithaka	OP1	1350/-
Doombagastalawa	FBOPF /FBOPF1	900/-	Pettiagalla	FBOPF / FBOPF1	790/-	Pasgoda SH	OP	860/-
Craighead	FBOPF /FBOPF1	900/-	Rathkelle Uva	OP/OPA	660/-	Liyonta	OPA +++	1110/-
Imboolpittia	FBOPF /FBOPF1	900/-	Dickwella	OP1	860/-	*Makandura OPA		1000/-
*Harangalla	OP/OPA	700/-	Aruna Passara	PEK / PEK1	840/-	Layout	PEKOE	1010/-
Harangalla	OP1	1000/-				Kuttapitiya Super	PEKOE1 ++	1010/-
Craighead	OP1	1000/-	<u>UVA HIGH</u>			<u>LOW GROWN TIPPY GRADES</u>		
*Dartry Valley	PEK/PEK1	960/-	Bandaraeliya	BOP	700/-	Ceciliyan	BOP	870/-
<u>WESTERN HIGH</u>			Haputale Super	BOP SP	710/-	New Mount CarmelBOP		850/-
Great Western	BOP	790/-	Mahadowa	BOPF/BOPFSP	620/-	*Nawagamuhena BOP		840/-
Mattakelle	BOPSP	760/-	Oodoowerre	BOP1	900/-	Ceciliyan	BOPSP	810/-
Waltrim	BOPF / BOPF SP	870/-	Battawatte	FBOP/ FBOP1	840/-	*Ihalapanapitiya BOPSP		800/-
Inverness	BOP1	920/-	Oodoowerre	FBOPF/FBOPF1	770/-	Pothatuwa	BOPF	860/-
Inverness	FBOP/ FBOP1	890/-	Craig	OP1	680/-	Mulathiyana Hills	BOPFSP	890/-
Queensberry	FBOPF/FBOPF1	680/-	Haputale Super	OP/OPA	650/-	Kiruwanaganga	FBOP	1500/-
Queensberry	OP/OPA	530/-	Haputale Super	PEK/PEK1	830/-	Lions	FBOP1	850/-
Queensberry	PEK / PEK1	810/-	<u>UDA PUSSELLAWA</u>			*Nawalakanda Sup FBOPF		1100/-
<u>NUWARA ELIYA</u>			Luckyland	BOP	610/-	*Lucky Hiniduma FBOPF		980/-
Kenmare	BOPF/BOPFSP	510/-	Kirklees	BOP	610/-	*Lucky Pinnaduwa FBOPF		980/-
Mahagastotte	FBOP/ FBOP1	750/-	*Alma BOPA		840/-	*Kurunduwatte FBOPF		965/-
Court Lodge	PEK / PEK1	630/-	Kirklees	BOPF/BOPFSP	600/-	*Lucky Kottawa FBOPF		940/-
<u>CTC TEAS</u>			Alma	FBOP/ FBOP1	690/-	Himara	FBOPF1	850/-
<u>HIGH GROWN</u>			Alma	BOP1	690/-	<u>PREMIUM FLOWERY</u>		
Dunsinane CTC	PF1	610/-	Alma	FBOPF/ FBOPF1	700/-	Thundola Ella	FBOPFSP	1700/-
Dunsinane CTC	BP1	580/-	*Alma OP/OPA		520/-	*Nawalakanda Sup FBOPFSP		1400/-
<u>MEDIUM GROWN</u>			Alma	PEK /PEK1	840/-	Graceland	FBOPFEXSP	1850/-
New Peacock	PF1	630/-	<u>OFF GRADES</u>			K.D.U Super	FBOPF EXSP1	1200/-
Strathdon CTC	BP1	510/-	*Aldora BM		540/-	<u>DUST</u>		
<u>LOW GROWN</u>			*L.Usawalgodawatte BM		540/-	High Grown		
Hingalgoda CTC	PF1	750/-	*Dartry BP		610/-	Mattakelle	DUST1	890/-
Suduwelipothahena	BP1	540/-	Kottigalla	FNGS/FNGS1	570/-	Florence	PD	570/-
			Theresia	FNGS/FNGS1	570/-	<u>Medium Grown</u>		
			Hingalgoda CTC	PFGS	690/-	Rothschild	DUST1	650/-
			*Chandrika Estate BOP1A		630/-	Delta	DUST1	650/-
			Ceyenta	BOPIA	630/-	New Peacock	PD	680/-
						<u>Low Grown</u>		
						New Vithanakande	DUST1	650/-
						Hingalgoda	PD	750/-

* Sold by Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd

+++ All Time Record Price

++ Equal All Time Record Price

COLOMBO AUCTION - GROSS SALE AVERAGES

SALE NO.39 OF 03RD OCTOBER, 2018

	2018			2017	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Year</u>
		<u>To-date</u>	<u>To-date</u>		<u>To-date</u>
Uva High Grown	526.83	529.11	530.46	606.56	566.88
Western High Grown	645.13	651.68	587.24	685.61	603.30
High Grown	605.61	610.76	571.07	664.75	592.47
Uva Medium	477.55	478.05	522.18	610.73	577.55
Western Medium	516.19	521.93	514.18	569.66	553.95
Medium Grown	506.23	510.88	516.41	583.62	560.87
Low Grown	563.26	564.30	600.23	657.91	635.49
Total	560.79	563.16	581.78	648.54	615.43

DETAILS OF TEAS AWAITING SALES

	<u>Sale of 16th / 17th Oct. 2018</u>		<u>Sale of 22nd /23rd Oct. 2018</u>	
	Lots	Qty. (Kgs)	Lots	Qty. (Kgs)
Low Grown Leafy	3,129	1,282,692	3,459	1,453,843
Low Grown Tippy	1,549	722,489	1,118	580,903
High & Medium	1,014	508,485	1,732	859,140
Off Grade/BOP1A	2,015	1,086,183	2,059	1,114,300
Dust	531	525,553	586	598,000
Premium Flowery	258	44,391	303	48,998
Ex-Estate	<u>777</u>	<u>826,635</u>	<u>888</u>	<u>976,776</u>
Total	<u>9,273</u>	<u>5,046,428</u>	<u>10,145</u>	<u>5,632,850</u>

Weekly Private Sale Figures (From 01/10/2018 - 06/10/2018) - 107,990.80 Kgs

Cumulative - 3,258,637.35 Kgs

CATALOGUES

Sale No. 42 of 22nd & 23rd October, 2018

The Main Sale catalogue closed on **05th October, 2018** at **04.30 p.m.** and the Ex-Estate catalogue closed on **04th October, 2018** at **03.00 p.m.**

Sale No. 43 of 30th & 31st October, 2018

The Main Sale catalogue is scheduled to be closed on **12th October, 2018** at **04.30 p.m.** and the Ex-Estate catalogue is scheduled to be closed on **11th October, 2018** at **03.00 p.m.** but sale will be closed before the scheduled date when the numbers of lots are reached.

Sale No. 44 of 05th & 07th November, 2018

The Main Sale catalogue is scheduled to be closed on **19th October, 2018** at **04.30 p.m.** and the Ex-Estate catalogue is scheduled to be closed on **18th October, 2018** at **03.00 p.m.** but sale will be closed before the scheduled date when the numbers of lots are reached.

BROKER'S ORDER- SALE NO. 41

Auction of 16th / 17th October, 2018 - Main Sale

Leafy/Tippy/BOP1A/ Premium

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

High & Medium/Off Grades/Dust

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

Auction of 17th October, 2018 - Ex-Estate

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

LCBL APPROXIMATE SELLING TIME

Tuesday 16th October, 2018

High & Medium : 08.30 a.m.
BOP1A : 03.30 p.m.
Low Grown Tippy : 04.15 p.m.
Premium Flowery : 05.05 p.m.

Wednesday 17th October, 2018

Low Grown Leafy : 08.20 a.m.
Off Grade : 08.30 a.m.
Ex-Estate : 09.00 a.m.
Dust : 12.00 noon

OTHER MARKETS

MOMBASA TEA AUCTION MARKET REPORT SALE NO.41

Demand: Market was Firm to easier compared to last week.

BP1: KTDA East of the Rift Valley teas best were easier by USC 7-10 compared to last levels while Good were easier by USC 9-11 compared to last week's levels & West of the Rift Valley teas were firm at last week's levels. Well-made Medium/None Kenyans were firm to dearer by USC 4-5 compared to last week's levels. Lower invoices were firm at last week's levels.

PF1: KTDA East of the Rift Valley teas were easier by USC 13-15 compared to last week's levels. West of the rift valley teas were easier by USC 5-8 compared to last week's levels. Nandi PF1's were firm to easier by USC 3-4 compared to last week's levels, while Kericho PF1,s were firm to easier by USC 4-7 compared to last levels. None Kenyans were easier by USC 8-10 compared to last week's levels.

PD: KTDA East of the rift valley teas were easier by USC 14-17 compared to last week's levels. West of the rift valley teas were firm to easier by USC 3-5 compared to last week's levels. Nandi PD,s were firm to dearer by USC 4-5 compared to last week's levels, while Good Kericho PDs were firm to easier by USC 2-3 compared to last week's levels, while the poorer plainer sorts were firm to easier by USC 3-4 compared to last week's levels / None Kenyans were firm to easier by USC 3-7 compared to last week's levels, with the brown bold leaf and dull liquoring types easier by USC 8-10 compared to last week's level.

D1: KTDA East of the rift valley teas were firm to easier by USC 6-8 compared to last week's levels. West of the rift valley teas were firm to easier by USC 5-6 compared to last week's levels. Mediums /None Kenyans were firm to easier by USC 3-5 compared to last week's levels.

SECONDARY

Fanning's were dearer by USC 13-16 compared to last week's levels. BP's were firm to dearer by USC 2-3 compared to last week's levels. Bmf's were firm to dearer by USC 2-3 compared to last week's levels. Better Dust grades were firm to easier by USC 2-3 compared to last week's levels. Poorer sorts were dearer by USC 5-6 compared to last week's levels.

Egypt Packers were active at firm to marginally easier levels with the Major players being LAB, JF, VR and MJC. While Pakistan Packers were active at easier levels compared to last. The Bazaar made enquiry at discounted rates compared to last week, Yemen was active at easier levels compared to last; Sudan was active at dearer levels compared to last. UK made good enquiry.

JAKARTA TEA AUCTION MARKET REPORT

Not available at the time of printing.

SOUTH INDIAN ROUNDUP FOR THE WEEK ENDING 06TH OCTOBER, 2018

KOCHI

CTC LEAF

Demand: Good demand. Market tending irregular and lower by Rs.1 to 2/- for the best brokens. Fannings ruled at fully firm to occasionally dearer levels. Internal and Upcountry buyers lent good support. Exporters lent useful support for plainer types.

LEAF-ORTHODOX:

Demand: Fair demand.

Market: Market ruled at steady levels for the whole leaf and larger brokens. And particularly for the best Nilgiri following quality. However, Medium larger Brokens and Fannings were tending irregular. Plainer sorts witnessed less demand and suffering withdrawals.

Buying Pattern: CIS/Middle East exporters were less active. Upcountry buyers lent support on whole leaf grades.

DUST

Demand: Fair demand.

Market: Best liquoring popular finer grades were tending easier by Rs.4 to 5 and sometimes more on the Best Mediums. Bolder grades were selling at barely steady levels. Plainer sorts were selling at fully firm levels to occasionally dearer due to good export enquiry.

Buying Pattern: Major blender AVT and KSCSC were active on the best mediums with fair support from regional packeters. Domestic buyers were fairly active in their purchases. Exporters were active on their purchase.

COONOOR

CTC LEAF

Demand: Good.

Market: Generally a lower market on the Brokens and on the BOPF's, however the cleaner, blacker types of the BOPF's have sold at fully firm to dearer levels.

Buying Pattern: Good Internal enquiry was forthcoming alongwith the Major Blenders. Karnataka/Andra were seen active on the Medium categories. Exporters were seen busy buying BOPL's and BOPF's.

ORTH LEAF

Demand: Good.

Market: Generally an irregular market and steady to easier trend across all grades. However the Secondaries were selling at fully firm to dearer by Rs. 5/- to Rs. 10/-.

Buying Pattern: Strong Export operation with select Internal participation was forthcoming.

CTC DUST

Demand: Strong.

Market: Irregularly lower on the Bolder dusts and steady to firm on the Finer dusts with an overall drop of Rs. 1/- when compared to last week. After a couple of weeks the Best Brighter categories of finer dusts surged ahead with fierce competition.

Buying Pattern: Strong Export operation was seen across all grades with the Major Blender and other Internal buyers supporting well. Indcoserve was seen active on the Finer grades.

ORTH DUST

Demand: Good.

Market: Irregular and mostly easier across all grades with an overall drop of Rs. 3/- as against sale no. 39. However some select marks have sold at full y firm to dearer levels.

Buying Pattern: Fairly good Export enquiry was forthcoming with select Internal buying.

COIMBATORE

CTC LEAF

Demand: Fair demand.

Market: Better medium smaller brokens & BOPF's were lower by Rs.2/- to Rs.3/- with some withdrawals. Others lower by Re.1/- to Rs.2/- with some withdrawals.

ORTH LEAF Barely steady on whole leaf. Others lower by Rs.2/-.

CTC DUST

Demand: Good general demand.

Market: Better liquoring teas and popular marks were irregular and lower by Re.1/- to Rs.2/-. Mediums and plainer teas were lower Re.1/- sometimes more.

ORTH DUST Less demand. Lower by Rs.2/- to Rs.3/-.

Source: Paramount Tea Marketing (SI) Private Limited.

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