

MARKET DESCRIPTION

Western Teas

Select best BOPs advanced Rs.10/- to Rs.20/-, whilst the below best and plainer varieties met with irregular demand. Select best BOPFs maintained, whilst below best and poorer varieties which were firm to slightly dearer at the commencement, eased Rs.10/- to Rs.20/- as the sale progressed. Medium BOPs maintained last levels, whilst the best BOPFs shed Rs.10/-.

Nuwara Eliya Teas

BOPs/BOPFs continued to sell at attractive levels and were dearer by Rs.30/- to Rs.40/-.

Uva Teas

Clean BOP varieties appreciated Rs.10/- to Rs.20/-, whilst the balance barely maintained last levels. BOPFs declined Rs.20/- and more following quality. Uda Pussellawa BOPs barely maintained last levels, whilst the BOPFs met with irregular demand and were lower following quality.

CTC Teas

Low Grown BP1s and PF1s maintained last levels. Medium BP1s and High Grown BP1s were firm to irregular at times, the PF1s maintained last levels.

Low Grown

Fair demand. Select best OP1s were lower by Rs.10/- to Rs.20/-, best and below best types were firm, poor stalky invoices were irregular. Select best BOP1s were slightly lower by Rs.5/- to Rs.10/-, best and below best types were firm on last levels, poorer sorts maintained. Select best and best OPs were firm, below best types were firm to marginally easier, poorer sorts were firm. Select best and best OPAs were firm to lower by Rs.5/- to Rs.10/-, below best types followed a similar trend, poorer sorts were firm. Select best and best shotty Pekoes were firm, bold Pekoes were irregularly lower, flaky types along with the reduces were lower to last. Select best and best shotty Pekoe1s maintained last levels, below best and reduce types were slightly lower to last. Select best BOPs were firm, whilst the best and the below best types appreciated Rs.5/- to Rs.10/-, poorer sorts were firm at last. Select best BOPF/BOPFSPs were irregularly lower Rs.5/- to Rs.10/-, best and the below best types were firm. Select best BOPSPs shed Rs.10/- - Rs.15/-, whilst the best and the below best types attracted fair demand. Select best FBOPF1s were firm, whilst the best and the below best types appreciated Rs.5/- to Rs.10/-, poorer sorts met with irregular demand. Select best FBOPs were firm, whilst the best and the below best types declined Rs.10/- to Rs.15/-, poorer sorts followed a similar trend. FBOPF varieties were firm. Select best Tippy varieties declined several rupees and sold at low levels, whilst the balance met with irregular demand.

Off Grades

Select best and best Fngs1s appreciated Rs.20/-, whilst below best and poorer sorts were dearer by Rs.10/- to Rs.15/- and more at times. Select best and best BMs declined by Rs.15/- to Rs.20/-, whilst the below best and poorer sorts were dearer by Rs.5/- to Rs.10/-. All BPs were irregularly easier by Rs.50/- to Rs.60/-. Select best and best BOP1As were firm to last, below best and poorer sorts too showed a similar trend.

Dust

Dust market in general declined by Rs.30/- to Rs.40/- or more at times due to less interest being shown by exporters, whilst clean secondaries and below best type Dust1s remained firm to lower by Rs.10/- to Rs.20/- Low Grown CTCs were also firm to lower by Rs.10/- to Rs.20/-, whilst High & Medium Grown CTCs remained firm to last. Low Grown Dust/Dust1s were lower by Rs.10/- to Rs.20/-. Poorer types further depreciated by Rs.30/- to Rs.40/-.