

MARKET DESCRIPTION

Western Teas

Select best BOPs were firm and at times Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/- dearer, below best varieties eased a few rupees on last levels whilst the plainer types were firm. The best BOPFs maintained however the below best and poorer varieties were irregularly lower to last. Medium BOPs too were irregularly lower, whilst the BOPFs were firm.

Nuwara Eliya Teas

BOPs were slightly lower to last whilst the BOPFs too were irregularly lower. However the prices still continue to be attractive.

Uva Teas

BOPs were firm whilst the clean BOPFs appreciated Rs. 10/- per Kg, the balance were barely steady. Uda Pussellawa BOP/BOPFs met with irregular demand following quality.

CTC Teas

Low Grown BP1s were firm. PF1s too met with good demand but tended irregular. Medium and High Grown BP1s eased by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/-. Medium Grown PF1s met with irregular demand whilst the High Grown PF1s were firm.

Low Grows

Fair demand. Select best OP1s were easier by Rs. 10/-, best and below best types were firm on last levels, secondaries too maintained a similar price level. Select best BOP1s were slightly lower, rest sold at firm levels. Select best OPs were firm, balance were firm to dearer with improved demand. Select best OPAs were firm best and below best types eased Rs. 10/- to Rs. 15/- and more following quality, secondaries shed by a similar margin with less demand. Select best shotty Pekoes were marginally lower, bold Pekoes saw less demand with substantial decline in prices, flaky reducer types too were lower by Rs. 5/- to Rs. 10/-. Select best and best Pekoe1s were firm to irregularly dearer, secondaries too maintained last week's closing levels. Fair demand for Tippy/Small Leaf teas. Select best BOPs were firm whilst the best and below best types were irregularly lower by Rs. 5/- to Rs. 10/-, poorer sorts declined Rs. 10/- to Rs. 15/- and more following quality. Select best BOPF/BOPF.SPs declined Rs. 15/- to Rs. 20/- whilst the best and below best types were firm. Select best BOP.SPs were irregularly lower by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 15/-, best and below best types followed a similar trend. Select best FBOPF1s were firm to irregularly lower by Rs. 5/- whilst the best and below best types declined Rs. 5/- to Rs. 10/-, poorer sorts shed Rs. 10/- to Rs. 15/- and more. Select best and best FBOPs were firm to irregularly lower by Rs. 5/- to Rs. 10/- whilst the best and below best types declined Rs. 15/- to Rs. 20/-, poorer sorts attracted lower bids and several invoices remained unsold. FBOPF varieties were lower to last. Select best Tippy varieties were firm on last levels, whilst the balance met with fair demand.

Off Grades

Select best and best Fngs1 appreciated by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 15/- whilst the below best and poorer sorts were dearer by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 15/-. Select best BMs declined Rs. 30/- to Rs. 40/- and more at times whilst the below best and poorer sorts were easier by Rs. 30/- to Rs. 40/-. All BPs declined by Rs. 50/- to Rs. 60/- and more at times. Select best and best BOP1As declined by Rs. 40/- to Rs. 50/- whilst the below best and poorer sorts were firm to last.

Dust

The Dust market met with mixed demand where select best Dust/Dust1s gained by Rs. 5/- to Rs. 10/- or more at times following quality whilst best and below best Dust/Dust1s were firm to lower by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/-. CTCs increased by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/- or more at times based on special inquiry whilst the Low Grown Dust/Dust1s also declined by Rs. 20/- to Rs. 30/- except for select best Dust1s which sold at significantly high prices.

