

## MARKET DESCRIPTION

### Western Teas

A few select best BOPs advanced Rs.10/- to Rs.20/-, however the balance shed by a similar margin, below best varieties were irregularly lower to last, whilst the plainer types were difficult of sale due to poor demand. A few select best BOPFs were firm where quality was maintained, others were slightly lower to last, below best types and plainer varieties met with irregular demand tended Rs.10/- to Rs.20/- lower to last. Medium BOPs shed Rs.10/- to Rs.20/-, whilst the BOPFs were lower by Rs.10/- to Rs.20/-.

### Nuwara Eliya Teas

BOPs met with less demand and shed Rs.20/- to Rs.40/-, BOPFs were neglected and mostly remained unsold.

### Uva Teas

A few clean varieties appreciated on special inquiry, whilst the balance declined by a similar margin. BOPFs were lower by Rs.20/- to Rs.30/-. Uda Pussellawa BOP/BOPFs met with irregular demand and declined on last levels.

### CTC Teas

Low Grown BP1s met with irregular demand and eased on last levels. Better PF1s were firm, however the others shed Rs.20/- to Rs.30/-. Medium BP1s declined by Rs.20/- to Rs.30/-, whilst the PF1s met with irregular demand. High Grown BP1s shed Rs.20/-, whilst the PF1s barely maintained last levels.

### Low Grown

Lower demand. Select best and best OP1s declined sharply by Rs.20/- and more as the sale progressed, bolder types too were lower by a similar margin with the difficulty of sale. Select best and best BOP1s were lower to last by Rs.10/-, below best types were lower by Rs.10/- to Rs.20/- and more at times. Select best and best OPs were firm to easier by Rs.5/- to Rs.10/-, below best types eased further, poorer sorts were firm to lower. Select best OPAs were firm, best and below best types declined by Rs.10/-, poorer sorts were irregular. Select best shotty Pekoes were firm, bold Pekoes were lower by Rs.10/- to Rs.20/-, below best types along with reducers declined by Rs.20/- to Rs.30/-. Select best Pekoe1s were firm to easier by Rs.10/- to Rs.15/-, below best types along with reducers were lower by Rs.20/- to Rs.30/- and declined further as the sale progressed.

Lower demand. Select best BOPs declined by Rs.15/- to Rs.20/-, whilst the best and below best types were lower by Rs.20/- to Rs.25/-, poorer sorts declined by Rs.10/- to Rs.15/-. Select best BOPF/BOPF.SPs were lower by Rs.15/- to Rs.20/-, best and below best types declined by Rs.10/- to Rs.15/-. BOP.SPs followed a similar trend. Select best FBOPF1s declined by Rs.15/- to Rs.20/- and more following quality, whilst the best and below best types were lower by Rs.20/- to Rs.25/-, poorer sorts declined by a similar margin. Select best FBOPs declined Rs.15/- to Rs.20/-, best and below best types shed Rs.20/- to Rs.25/- and more as the sale progressed. Select best and best FBOPF varieties were lower by Rs.15/- to Rs.20/- and more at times. Select best Premium Flowery teas met with irregular demand, whilst the best and below best types were lower to last.

### Off Grades

Select best and best Fngs1s declined Rs.10/- to Rs.15/- and more at times, whilst below best and poorer sorts declined Rs.10/- to Rs.15/-. Select best BMs declined by Rs.10/- to Rs.15/-, whilst the best, below best and poorer sorts declined Rs.15/- to Rs.20/-. Select best and best BPs declined by Rs.20/- to Rs.30/-. Select best and best BOP1As declined by Rs.20/- to Rs.30/-, below best and poorer sorts declined by Rs.20/- to Rs.30/- and more towards the closer of the sale.

### Dust

The Dust market continued to meet with lower demand further more due to the holiday period in the next few days where the local bazaar have curbed their regular purchases due to less trading activity. Select best Dust/ Dust1s declined by Rs.40/- to Rs.50/- and more at times, whilst the best and below best types declined by Rs.20/- to Rs.30/-. CTCs also followed a similar trend along with the Low Grown Dust/ Dust1s.

