

## MARKET DESCRIPTION

### Western Teas

A selection of the best BOPs advanced Rs. 40/- to Rs. 50/- following special inquiry whilst the balance also appreciated but to a lesser extent, below best types moved up by Rs. 20/- to Rs. 40/-. Cleaner plain leaf types too appreciated Rs. 20/- to Rs. 40/- whilst the poor leaf types maintained last levels. A few select best BOPF appreciated Rs. 40/- to Rs. 50/- following special demand, the others appreciated Rs. 20/- and at times more, below best types gained Rs. 20/- to Rs. 30/- whilst the plainer clean leaf types gained Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/-, the poor leaf varieties maintained last levels. Medium BOPs appreciated Rs. 20/- to Rs. 30/- whilst the BOPF gained by Rs. 20/- per Kg.

### Nuwara Eliya Teas

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BOPs advanced Rs. 20/- to Rs. 30/- whilst the BOPFs advanced Rs. 40/- to Rs. 50/- per Kg.

### Uva Teas

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A selection of better BOPs advanced sharply following special inquiry, the balance appreciated Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/-. BOPFs gained Rs. 20/- to Rs. 30/-. Uda Pussellawa BOP/BOPFs tended a little irregular.

### CTC Teas

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Low Grown BP1s and PF1s maintained last levels. Medium Grown BP1s were firm whilst the PF1s appreciated Rs. 20/-. High Grown BP1s advanced Rs. 30/- to Rs. 40/- whilst a few better PF1s appreciated sharply above last, the balance too gained Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/-.

### Low Grows

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Fair demand. Select best OP1s were firm to dearer whilst best OP1s were maintaining last week's closing levels, below best bold types declined sharply by Rs. 20/- to Rs. 30/-, poorer sorts were firm. Select best and best BOP1s were firm, below best secondary types were lower by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/- and more at times. Select best OPs along with the best and below best types were firm to at times dearer. OPAs followed a similar trend with OPs. Select best Pekoes along with the best types were firm, bold types were irregular. Secondaries were lower to last by Rs. 5/- to Rs. 10/-. Select best and best Pekoe1s were firm, secondries were slightly lower.

Good demand. Select best BOPs appreciated Rs. 10/- to Rs. 15/- whilst the best and the below best types gained by Rs. 5/- to Rs. 10/-, poorer sorts met with improved demand. Select best BOPF/BOPF.SPs were firm to irregularly dearer by Rs. 5/- to Rs. 10/-, best and below best types were firm. Select best BOP.SPs were firm, others met with fair demand. Select best FBOPF1s appreciated Rs. 5/- to Rs. 10/- whilst the best and the below best types appreciated Rs. 10/- to Rs. 15/- and more following quality, poorer sorts gained Rs. 5/- to Rs. 10/-. Select best FBOPs were dearer by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 15, best and below best types followed a similar trend, poorer sorts gained by Rs. 5/- to Rs. 10/-. Select best FBOPF varieties appreciated few rupees whilst the others were firm. Select best Premium flowery types were firm on last, best and below best types met with irregular demand.

### Off Grades

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Select best and best Fngs1s were firm to dearer by Rs. 10/- whilst below best and poorer sorts were firm to last. Select best BMs were dearer by Rs. 20/-, below best and poorer sorts showed a similar trend. Select best and best BPs were firm to last. Select best and best BOP1As were dearer by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/-, below best and poorer sorts showed a similar trend.

### Dust

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Select best Dust / Dust1s increased by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/- or more at times following lower volume on offer, best and below best types sold at firm to last. High & Medium CTC PDs were firm to dearer by Rs. 15/- to Rs. 20/-, others sold at last levels. Low Grown Dust1s were firm. Low Grown Dust / Dust1s increased by Rs. 15/- to Rs. 20/- whilst below best and plainer varieties sold at last levels.