

MARKET DESCRIPTION

Western Teas:

Select best BOPs appreciated Rs. 20/- to Rs. 30/- and at times more following special inquiry, below best varieties also appreciated Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/- whilst the plainer types moved up Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/-, the poor leaf varieties tended irregular following quality. Select best BOPFs appreciated Rs. 20/- following special inquiry whilst the below best types appreciated Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/- and at times more as the sale progressed, at the bottom end poorer varieties advanced Rs. 20/- to Rs. 30/-. Medium BOPs advanced substantially whilst the balance were dearer to a lesser extent. BOPFs were firm to Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/- dearer at times.

Nuwara-Eliya Teas:

BOPs met with irregular demand and were mostly lower following quality. BOPFs too followed a similar trend.

Uva Teas:

A select few invoices of BOPs with seasonal character advanced following special inquiry, the balance were Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/- dearer. Bright BOPFs also appreciated fairly substantially, the balance appreciated Rs. 20/- to Rs. 30/-. Uda Pussellawa BOP / BOPFs met with irregular demand.

CTC Teas:

Low Grown BP1s were mostly easier by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/-, whilst the PF1s too were easier by Rs. 20/- to Rs. 30/- with a handful of invoices gaining on special inquiry. High & Medium BP1s were barely steady whilst the PF1s gained irregularly following quality.

Low Grown:

Fair demand. Select best wiry OP1s along with the best types were lower by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/-, below best types maintained last levels, poorer stalky invoices too were maintaining last levels. All BOP1s were lower by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/-. Select best OPs along with the best types declined by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 15/-, below best sorts along with the poorer invoices maintained last levels, select best and best OPAs shed by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 15/- whilst rest maintained last levels. Select best Pekoes were firm, bold Pekoes appreciated Rs. 20/- to Rs. 30/- and more at times, reducer types too gained by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/-. Select best Pekoe1s were firm to dearer, best types too were dearer by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/-, below best types were irregular, flaky types were marginally dearer.

Lower demand. Select best BOPs were firm whilst the best and below best types were lower by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 15/-, poorer sorts were lower by Rs. 5/- to Rs. 10/-. Select BOP.SP / BOPF.SP were firm, best and below best types were lower by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 15/-. Select best and best BOPFs met with lower demand. Select best and best FBOPF1s were lower by Rs. 15/- to Rs. 20/- and more at times whilst best and below best types were lower by Rs. 20/- to Rs. 25/-, poorer sorts were lower by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 15/-. Select best FBOPs were irregularly lower by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 15/- whilst the best and below best types were lower by Rs. 15/- to Rs. 20/-. FBOPF varieties were lower to last. All Premium Flowery teas met with lower demand.

Off Grades:

Select best and best Fngs1s were firm, below best and poorer sorts declined by Rs. 10/-. Select best BMs were dearer by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/-, whilst below best were firm. All BOP1As were dearer by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 20/-.

Dust:

Dust market appreciated due to lower volumes on offer. Select best Dust1s increased by Rs. 25/- to Rs. 35/-, best and below best Dust1s appreciated Rs. 30/- to Rs. 40/-, poorer sorts sold at last levels whilst the clean secondaries gained Rs. 30/- to Rs. 40/-, others sold at last levels. High & Medium CTCs appreciated Rs. 15/- to Rs. 20/-. Low Grown CTCs mostly sold at last levels whilst the Low Grown Dust/Dust1s were firm to lower by Rs. 10/- to Rs. 15/-.