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## WEEKLY TEA MARKET REPORT SALE NO: 15 - 18TH/ 19TH APRIL 2023

### ORDER OF SALE

<u>EXESTATE</u>	<u>LG Large Leaf/Semi Leafy/LG Small Leaf/BOPIA /Premium</u>	<u>High &amp; Medium/Off Grade/Dust</u>
1. Lanka Commodity Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC	Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
2. Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC	Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC	Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
3. Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	John Keells PLC	Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC
4. Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	Eastern Brokers Ltd	John Keells PLC
5. Eastern Brokers Ltd	Lanka Commodity Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	Eastern Brokers Ltd
6. John Keells PLC	Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd	Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC
7. Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd	Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	Lanka Commodity Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
8. Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC	Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd

At this week's sale 10,394 lots totalling 5,288,293 kgs were on offer. The breakdown is as follows:

	<u>LOTS</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>
Ex Estate	684	713,470
Main Sale - High & Medium	1,406	630,230
Low Grown - Leafy	2,004	775,667
Low Grown - Semi Leafy	1,565	685,759
Low Grown - Tippy	1,853	868,026
Premium Flowery	225	41,578
Off Grades	2,094	1,044,456
Dust	563	529,107
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10,394</b>	<b>5,288,293</b>
Re - Prints	742	333,621

Buyers Prompt : 25/04/2023

Sellers Prompt : 26/04/2023

### QUALITY

*High & Mid Grown were barely maintained, whilst the Low Grown were lower to last.*



## Inter-Plantation Rugby Sevens

*The 20<sup>th</sup> Inter-Plantation Rugby Sevens was conducted on 8 April 2023 at the Dickoya Maskeliya Cricket Club (DMCC) after a lapse of 3 years due to the Covid-19 pandemic.*

*This year's competition consisted of 12 teams from leading plantation companies namely, Agarapatana and Kotagala Plantations combined (Lankem), Balangoda Plantations, Bogawantalawa Plantations, Elpitiya Plantations, Hatton Plantations, Kelani Valley Plantations, Malwatte Valley Plantations, Maskeliya Plantations, Kegalle and Namunukula Plantations combined (Arpico), Maturata Plantations, Sri Lanka State Plantations Corporation (SLSPC) and Talawakelle Tea Estates.*

*The Dickoya Maskeliya Cricket Club is a popular hub of sports and entertainment for planters and boasts 152 years of continuous operations since its inception in 1870. The clubhouse and grounds are situated at the foothills of Darrawella Estate and is often called the Darrawella Club. Being a name synonymous with sports, DMCC organizes the annual inter-plantations events which were initiated in 2003.*

*The plantations boast of many former schools' rugby players whose talents were on display at this tournament with all games being well contested.*

*Malwatte Valley Plantations won the Cup Final and the winning team was awarded the Colombia Trophy. Bogawantalawa Plantations won the Plate, while Maturata Plantations won the Bowl.*

### **Bowl Final**

*Maturata Plantations beat Agarapatana Plantations 12/0*

### **Plate Final**

*Bogawantalawa Plantations beat Balangoda Plantations 12/5*

### **Cup Final**

*Malwatte Valley Plantations beat Elpitiya Plantations 17/0*

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS!





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<u>LOW GROWN</u>	BP1s - Continued to sell well. PF1s - Generally firm.																																																																										
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<u>FGS1/FGS</u>	Select Best varieties were easier by Rs. 40-60 per kg. Best and Below Best varieties in general maintained, whilst select invoices were dearer by Rs. 10-20 per kg. The teas at the bottom end of the market were firm to dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg. Low Growns - Best varieties maintained, whilst the Below Best and poorer sorts appreciated by Rs. 20-40 per kg. CTCs - Best varieties were easier by Rs. 100 per kg, whilst the balance were firm to dearer by Rs. 10-20 per kg.																																																																										
<u>BROKENS</u>	Best varieties were easier by Rs. 50 per kg and more. Below Best and poorer sorts were dearer by Rs. 20-30 per kg.																																																																										
<u>BOP1A</u>	Best varieties, in general, were firm on last week's levels. Below Best varieties which were easier by Rs. 20-40 per kg at the commencement of the sale, gained by Rs. 10-20 per kg towards the close. Teas at the bottom end of the market were firm in general.																																																																										
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<u>DUST</u>	Cleaner secondaries were firm to dearer by Rs. 30-50 per kg, whilst the poorer sorts were mostly firm. Best Low Grown varieties declined by Rs. 60-80 per kg, whilst the poorer sorts were firm.																																																																										
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TOP PRICES IN (RS/KGS) - SALE OF 18TH/ 19TH APRIL 2023

<b>WESTERN MEDIUM</b>				Hidellana	FBOP		2,350.00
Craighead	BOP	@	1,300.00	Pothotuwa	FBOP	@	2,250.00
Doombagastalawa	BOP	@	1,200.00	Galatara	FBOP1		1,700.00
Vellai Oya	BOP		1,200.00	New Singhe Valley	FBOP1		1,700.00
Rilagala	BOPSp	@	1,320.00	Rumassala Hills	FBOPF		1,500.00
Windsorforest	BOPSp	@	1,180.00	Gunawardana	FBOPF		1,500.00
Vellai Oya	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1,240.00	Makandura	FBOPF1		1,650.00
Craighead	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1,140.00	Sithaka	FBOPF1		1,650.00
Harangalla	BOP1	@	1,650.00	Pothotuwa	FBOPF1	@	1,600.00
Dekinda	BOP1		1,650.00	Lumbini	FBOPF1		1,600.00
Dartry Valley	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1,750.00	Dellawa	FBOPF1	@	1,550.00
Windsorforest	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1,360.00	Kiruwana <span>g</span> anga	FBOPF1		1,550.00
Harangalla	OP/OPA	@	1,750.00	Sunrise	FBOPF1		1,550.00
Dartry Valley	OP/OPA		1,750.00	Navinda	FBOPF1		1,550.00
Dartry Valley	OP1	@	1,750.00	Sithaka	BOP1		3,600.00
New Rothschild	OP1		1,750.00	Pothotuwa	BOP1	@	3,550.00
Werallakanda	OP1		1,750.00	Sithaka	OP1		3,400.00
Harangalla	OP1	@	1,700.00	Green Lanka	OP		2,050.00
Dartry Valley	PEK/PEK1	@	1,950.00	Liyonta	OPA		2,300.00
Craighead	PEK/PEK1	@	1,900.00	Lumbini	PEK		2,300.00
Cooroondoowatte	PEK/PEK1	@	1,900.00	Golden Garden	PEK1		2,150.00
Elpitiya	PEK/PEK1		1,900.00	New J.S.P	PEK1		2,150.00
<b>WESTERN HIGH</b>				A.C.U Super	PEK1		2,150.00
Wattegodde	BOP		1,600.00	Nilrich	PEK1		2,150.00
Mattakelle	BOP		1,500.00	Andaradeniya Super	PEK1		2,150.00
Bearwell	BOP	@	1,480.00	K.D.U Super	PEK1		2,150.00
Forest Creek	BOP		1,480.00	Makandura	PEK1		2,150.00
Wattegodde	BOPSp	@	1,500.00	<b>UVA MEDIUM</b>			
Dessford	BOPSp	@	1,480.00	El Teb	BOP		1,420.00
Holyrood	BOPSp	@	1,440.00	Demodera 'S'	BOP	@	1,260.00
Great Western	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1,600.00	Halpewatte Uva	BOPSp		1,280.00
Bearwell	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1,550.00	Dickwella	BOPF/BOPFSp		1,200.00
Weddemulla	BOP1		1,060.00	St. James	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1,100.00
Glenloch	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1,500.00	Demodera 'S'	BOP1	@	2,050.00
Glenloch	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1,320.00	Demodera 'S'	FBOP/FBOP1		1,460.00
Venture	OP/OPA		1,750.00	Telbedde	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1,340.00
Queensberry	OP1	@	1,700.00	Misty Uva	OP/OPA	@	1,650.00
Glenloch	PEK/PEK1	@	1,750.00	Wewesse	OP/OPA		1,650.00
Weddemulla	PEK/PEK1		1,750.00	Telbedde	OP/OPA	@	1,600.00
Torrington	PEK/PEK1	@	1,700.00	Maratenne	OP/OPA		1,600.00
<b>NUWARA ELIYAS</b>				Demodera 'S'	OP1	@	2,050.00
Mahagastotte	BOP	@	1,550.00	Misty Uva	PEK/PEK1	@	1,900.00
Mahagastotte	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1,440.00	<b>UVA HIGH</b>			
Court Lodge	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1,420.00	Bandaraeliya	BOP	@	1,440.00
Kenmare	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1,200.00	Pitaratmalie	BOP		1,440.00
Court Lodge	OP/OPA	@	1,550.00	Kelliebedde	BOP	@	1,360.00
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Kenmare	PEK/PEK1	@	1,550.00	Bandaraeliya	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1,440.00
<b>UDAPUSSELLAWAS</b>				Spring Valley	BOP1		1,950.00
Luckyland	BOP		1,440.00	Glenanore	BOP1	@	1,750.00
Luckyland	BOPSp		1,220.00	Ellathota Uva	BOP1		1,750.00
Luckyland	BOPF/BOPFSp		1,320.00	Aislaby	FBOP/FBOP1		1,580.00
Kirklees	BOPF/BOPFSp		1,280.00	Gonamotawa	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1,500.00
Liddesdale	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1,240.00	Aislaby	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1,340.00
Ragalla	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1,240.00	Glenanore	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1,320.00
High Forest	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1,240.00	Aislaby	OP/OPA	@	1,750.00
Gonapitiya	BOP1		1,030.00	Gonamotawa	OP1	@	1,900.00
Alma	FBOP/FBOP1		1,300.00	Oodoowerre	PEK/PEK1		1,850.00
Delmar	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1,220.00	Mount Uva	PEK/PEK1		1,850.00
Delmar	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1,240.00	<b>UNORTHODOX HIGH</b>			
Alma	FBOPF/FBOPF1		1,080.00	Dunsinane CTC	PF1	@	1,340.00
Alma	OP/OPA		1,550.00	Mount Vernon CTC	BP1		1,260.00
Gordon	OP/OPA	@	1,500.00	Mount Vernon CTC	BPS	@	1,200.00
Delmar	OP/OPA		1,500.00	<b>UNORTHODOX MEDIUM</b>			
Blairlmond	OP1	@	1,700.00	Delta CTC	PF1		1,320.00
Alma	OP1		1,700.00	New Peacock CTC	PF1		1,320.00
Blairlmond	PEK/PEK1	@	1,850.00	Delta CTC	BP1		1,100.00
<b>LOW GROWNS</b>				Donside CTC	BP1		1,100.00
Hidellana	BOP		2,500.00	Donside CTC	BPS		1,140.00
Stream Line	BOPSp		1,800.00				
Ceciliyan	BOPF		1,480.00				
Stream Line	BOPFSp		1,320.00				
Sithaka	FBOP		2,850.00				

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<b>UNORTHODOX LOW</b>							
Ceciliyan CTC	PF1	@	1,420.00				
Suduwelipothahena CTC	PF1	@	1,420.00				
Kalubowitiyana CTC	PF1		1,420.00				
Ceciliyan CTC	BP1		1,600.00				
Lantern Hill CTC	BPS	@	1,040.00				
Ross Feld CTC	BPS		1,040.00				
<b>PREMIUM FLOWERY</b>							
Makandura	FBOPFSP		2,650.00				
Lumbini	FBOPFEXSP		3,900.00				
Thisara Super	FBOPFEXSP1		4,500.00				
Muswenna	FBOPFEXSP1	@	4,400.00				
<b>DUSTS</b>							
Wattegodde	DUST1	@	1,700.00				
Kalubowitiyana CTC	PDUST		1,400.00				
<b>OFF GRADES</b>							
Somerset	FGS/FGS1	@	1,280.00				
Holyrood	FGS/FGS1		1,280.00				
Hingalgoda CTC	PFGS		1,260.00				
Golden Garden	BM		1,280.00				
Hidellana	BP		1,240.00				
Galatara	BOP1A		1,600.00				
Chandrika Estate	BOP1A	@	1,550.00				

@ Sold by Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd/ \*\*All Time Record Price \* Equal All Time Record Price

FORBES & WALKER TEA BROKERS (PVT) LTD SALE OF - 18TH/ 19TH APRIL 2023

<u>QUANTITY SOLD DURING THE PERIOD</u>				
<u>10TH - 15TH APRIL 2023</u>				
<u>2023</u>			<u>2022</u>	
<u>WEEKLY</u>	<u>TODATE</u>		<u>WEEKLY</u>	<u>TODATE</u>
		<u>PRIVATE SALES</u>		
126,144	1,432,963		86,822	1,172,463
		<u>PUBLIC AUCTION</u>		
4,689,319	62,787,867		4,939,393	69,874,132
		<u>FORWARD CONTRACTS</u>		
56,040	920,968		10,000	601,640
		<u>DIRECT SALES</u>		
NIL	NIL		NIL	NIL
		<u>TOTAL</u>		
4,871,503	65,141,798		5,036,215	71,648,235
		<u>BMF EXCLUDED FROM PRIVATE SALE</u>		
29,115	653,000		169,421	2,079,283

### PUBLIC AUCTION / GROSS SALE AVERAGES

**SALE NO : 14**  
**SALE OF : 03RD/ 04TH APRIL 2023**

	2023				2022				2021			
	WEEKLY		TODATE		WEEKLY		TODATE		WEEKLY		TODATE	
	SLR	USD	SLR	USD	SLR	USD	SLR	USD	SLR	USD	SLR	USD
Uva High Grown	1178.78	3.72	1216.75	3.47	1093.35	3.73	721.33	3.25	593.43	3.00	583.32	3.02
Western High Grown	1325.59	4.18	1435.92	4.09	1029.37	3.51	758.22	3.42	635.44	3.21	633.43	3.28
CTC High Grown	1257.75	3.97	1249.88	3.56	815.04	2.78	641.72	2.89	565.58	2.86	562.08	2.91
High Grown (Summary)	1281.45	4.05	1377.01	3.92	1049.10	3.58	747.93	3.37	623.34	3.15	620.78	3.22
Uva Medium Grown	1131.36	3.57	1200.68	3.42	1145.13	3.91	760.17	3.42	585.40	2.96	597.93	3.10
Western Medium Grown	1088.74	3.44	1185.21	3.38	980.39	3.34	675.00	3.04	556.22	2.81	582.14	3.02
CTC Medium Grown	1131.45	3.57	1129.33	3.22	784.37	2.67	573.74	2.58	519.42	2.62	539.33	2.80
Medium Grown (Summary)	1102.22	3.48	1189.82	3.39	1038.48	3.54	700.00	3.15	564.90	2.85	586.46	3.04
Orthodox Low Grown	1324.62	4.18	1480.39	4.22	1300.09	4.43	868.92	3.91	660.94	3.34	684.74	3.55
CTC Low Grown	967.16	3.05	1026.67	2.93	791.63	2.70	566.59	2.55	496.02	2.51	527.09	2.73
Low Grown(Summary)	1298.70	4.10	1454.77	4.15	1265.48	4.32	846.62	3.81	650.62	3.29	674.37	3.50
Total	1262.41	3.99	1398.67	3.99	1190.30	4.06	801.51	3.61	629.70	3.18	649.34	3.37

Source: Oanda Exchange Rates

Source: MSL - Averages

### QUANTITY SOLD AND THE AVERAGE PRICE PER AUCTION

SALE DATE	2023			2022			2022		
	QTY M/KG	AV/PRICE RS	Approx US\$ Equivalent	QTY M/KG	AV/PRICE RS	Approx US\$ Equivalent	QTY M/KG	AV/PRICE RS	Approx US\$ Equivalent
29TH MAR 2023	4.49	1271.38	4.03	4.55	1123.62	3.89	5.63	641.24	3.55
04TH APR 2023	4.68	1262.41	3.99	4.93	1190.28	4.06	5.76	629.69	3.18

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka / Buying Rates

### **RATES OF EXCHANGE AS AT 19TH APRIL 2023**

YEAR	US.DOL	STG.PD	YEN	EURO
2023	312.90	387.42	2.32	342.31
2022	327.50	429.46	2.55	358.30
2021	190.29	266.68	1.75	229.54

**SRI LANKA RUPEE APPROX. PER UNIT OF CURRENCY**

*Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka / Buying Rates*

## CROP AND WEATHER

For the period 10 - 16 April 2023

### Western/Nuwara Eliya Regions

*The Western Region reported sunny mornings and evening showers, whilst the Nuwara Eliya Region reported clear mornings and gloomy evenings with occasional showers. The Department of Meteorology expects afternoon/evening showers in both regions in the week ahead.*

Uva/Udapussellawa Region

*The Uva Region reported clear weather, whilst bright mornings with sporadic evening showers were reported in the Udapussellawa Region throughout the week. Occasional afternoon/evening showers are expected in the Uva Region in the week ahead according to the Department of Meteorology.*

### Low Grown

*The Low Grown Region reported sunny mornings with occasional evening showers throughout the week. According to the Department of Meteorology, sporadic afternoon/evening showers are expected in the Sabaragamuwa Region in the week ahead.*

### Crop Intake

*All planting regions generally maintained the crop intake.*



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SRI LANKA TEA EXPORTS

DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY (kgs)	VALUE Rs.	APPROX.AV.UNIT FOB VALUE PER kg.Rs/Cts
MARCH 2023			
Tea In Bulk	7,464,998	12,266,918,662.00	1,643.26
Tea In Packets	7,642,165	14,637,157,116.00	1,915.32
Tea In Bags	2,197,666	6,746,432,127.00	3,069.82
Instant Tea	318,112	1,123,481,635.00	3,531.72
Green Tea	352,814	1,516,725,615.00	4,298.94
TOTAL	17,975,754	36,290,715,155.00	2,018.87
MARCH 2022			
Tea In Bulk	13,782,011	12,257,990,567.00	889.42
Tea In Packets	6,629,099	6,974,779,446.00	1,052.15
Tea In Bags	2,184,531	3,747,129,173.00	1,715.30
Instant Tea	207,270	370,273,479.00	1,786.43
Green Tea	371,073	869,948,777.00	2,344.41
TOTAL	23,173,983	24,220,121,442.00	1,045.14
JANUARY/MARCH 2023			
Tea In Bulk	22,544,401	38,503,653,561.00	1,707.90
Tea In Packets	23,945,383	46,463,851,645.00	1,940.41
Tea In Bags	5,716,646	17,759,370,266.00	3,106.61
Instant Tea	792,829	2,984,666,482.00	3,764.58
Green Tea	1,084,077	4,512,592,731.00	4,162.61
TOTAL	54,083,336	110,224,134,685.00	2,038.04
JANUARY/MARCH 2022			
Tea In Bulk	37,888,230	31,701,029,527.00	836.70
Tea In Packets	18,718,163	18,516,432,783.00	989.22
Tea In Bags	5,432,150	9,203,816,747.00	1,694.32
Instant Tea	635,202	1,095,481,994.00	1,724.62
Green Tea	1,027,361	2,429,655,660.00	2,364.95
TOTAL	63,701,106	62,946,416,711.00	988.15

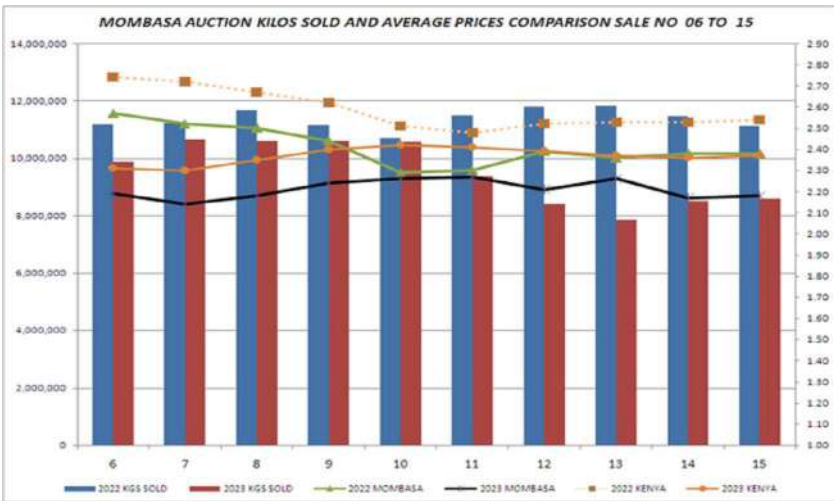
Source : Sri Lanka Customs Statistical Dept.

FORBES & WALKER TEA BROKERS (PVT) LTD SALE OF - 18TH/ 19TH APRIL 2023

MAJOR IMPORTERS OF SRI LANKA TEA

JANUARY/MARCH 2023/2022

COUNTRY	BULK TEA	PACKETED TEA	TEA BAGS	INSTANT TEA	GREEN TEA	TOTAL 2023	TOTAL 2022
TÜRKIYE	1,014,490	5,728,863	100,362		1,997	6,845,712	3,376,627
IRAQ	932,960	4,785,054	68,204		4,185	5,790,402	12,657,155
RUSSIA	4,259,817	880,303	361,106	2,285	153,328	5,656,838	5,709,513
U.A.E.	3,260,632	1,043,043	65,672	1,070	109,016	4,479,435	6,138,742
LIBYA		2,145,986	7,728		90,472	2,244,186	2,992,310
CHINA	1,899,915	238,508	74,129	14,448	10,934	2,237,935	2,796,089
AZERBAIJAIN	2,089,053	90,099	1,687		4,473	2,185,312	3,785,609
SAUDI ARABIA	347,320	811,620	602,706	6,525	90,493	1,858,664	1,927,846
JORDAN		1,011,683	516,643		2,681	1,531,006	1,190,455
GERMENY	1,001,823	402,081	48,849	32,000	19,742	1,504,496	1,794,094
SYRIA	114,334	1,011,665	234,911			1,360,910	1,266,855
IRAN	732,797	567,368	408			1,300,573	3,439,305
U.S.A.	431,151	502,013	202,675	20,808	120,199	1,276,846	1,386,006
CHILE	920,180	38,985	214,597	646	7,094	1,181,501	1,595,885
JAPAN	910,209	57,952	181,791	3,035	2,380	1,155,367	872,232
LEBANON		803,012	76,694		7,397	887,103	351,043
TAIWAN	706,535	119,880	17,258	9,540	19,087	872,300	1,069,763
POLAND	312,570	143,437	337,514		40,165	833,686	793,802
BELGIUM	11,600	759,464	14,799		2,775	788,638	340,775
HONG KONG	524,752	135,788	38,618		2,052	701,211	867,623
IRELAND	30	445	2,983	654,384	683	658,525	508,416
UKRAINE	379,854	130,634	21,473		64,437	596,399	642,497
ISRAEL	158,100	165,223	250,759		6,530	580,611	586,601
NETHERLANDS (HOLLAND)	89,219	182,184	150,371	1,706	75,859	499,340	569,685
EGYPT	339,265	151,260	341		6,759	497,625	648,385

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MOMBASA AUCTION						
SALE OF - 17TH/ 18TH & 19TH APRIL 2023 (SALE NO. 16)						
Good general demand prevailed in the market for the 183,138 packages (12,591,907.70 kilos) available; 30.96% remained unsold.						
OFFERINGS						
Leaf Grades - 96,940 packages (6,409,277.50 kilos) - 32.02% unsold.						
Dust Grades - 66,060 packages (5,004,499.00 kilos) - 33.15% unsold.						
Secondary Grades - 20,138 packages (1,178,131.20 kilos) - 18.67% unsold.						
MARKETS						
Pakistan Packers were active but at lower levels while Yemen, other Middle Eastern countries and Afghanistan maintained support. UK and Egyptian Packers showed more support while Kazakhstan, other CIS states and Sudan were selective. Bazaar showed less enquiry while Russia and Iran were absent. Local Packers were active on price with Somalia active at the lower end of the market.						
LEAF GRADES (M2)						
BP1:						
Best - Saw irregular interest varying between USC28 dearer for some lines with others mostly easier by up to USC86.						
Brighter - Irregular ranging between firm to USC6 above last levels to easier by up to USC28.						
Mediums - KTDA mediums held value with cleaner sorts USC13 dearer while plantation mediums met irregular interest and varied between steady to USC8 above last rates to easier by up to USC12.						
Lower Mediums - Firm to USC15 dearer with some Invoices irregularly easier by up to USC10.						
Plainer - Saw good absorption with better categories advancing by up to USC13 while others ranged between steady to USC8 below previous levels.						
PFI:						
Best - Generally firm to USC12 easier but some lines gained up to USC3.						
Brighter - Steady to USC3 dearer to easier by up to USC14.						
Mediums - KTDA mediums were fully firm while plantation mediums were irregular ranging between steady to USC14 dearer to easier by a similar margin.						
Lower Mediums - Firm enquiry up to USC4 above last levels for some lines with others easier by up to USC10						
Plainer - Steady to up to USC11 easier.						
CTC QUOTATIONS			BP1 - USC		PFI - USC	
Best			265 - 397		265 - 306	
Good			260 - 354		262 - 292	
Good Medium			255 - 316		262 - 286	
Medium (KTDA)			250 - 280		244 - 270	
Medium (Plantations)			194 - 230		194 - 238	
Lower Medium			124 - 222		126 - 214	
Plainer			088 - 181		090 - 171	
DUST GRADES (M1)						
PDUST:						
Best - Met strong but irregular interest ranging between firm to USC12 above previous rates with some lines discounted by up to USC8.						
Brighter - Less enquiry at USC2 to USC5 easier.						
Mediums - KTDA mediums lost up to USC3 with many lines remaining without bids; plantation mediums saw improved support gaining USC15 with some teas advancing by up to USC26.						
Lower Medium - Irregular activity at firm to USC22 to easier by up to USC9.						
Plainer - Met improved competition and appreciated by up to USC23 but a few lines shed up to USC8.						
DUST1:						
Best - Irregular enquiry at firm to USC11 above last levels to easier by USC8 with some lines discounted by up to USC26.						
Brighter - Steady to USC4 dearer to easier by USC3.						
Mediums - KTDA mediums were firm where sold with many lines remaining without bids. Plantation mediums saw irregular interest at USC20 dearer to easier by up to USC9.						
Lower Medium - Steady to USC10 above last levels.						
Plainer - Met irregular activity ranging between firm to USC10 dearer to easier by up to USC24.						
CTC QUOTATIONS			PDUST - USC		DUST1 - USC	
Best			270 - 292		270 - 294	
Good			270 - 293		270 - 274	
Good Medium			270 - 275		270 - 274	
Medium (KTDA)			258 - 275		245 - 272	
Medium (Plantations)			122 - 254		142 - 242	
Lower Medium			130 - 223		144 - 206	
Plainer			102 - 166		106 - 162	
SECONDARY GRADES (S1)						
In the Secondary Catalogues, BPs were about firm with PFs steady. Clean well sorted coloury Fannings were discounted while similar DUSTs tended easier. Other Fannings held value with DUSTs firm. BMFs were well absorbed.						
SECONDARY QUOTATIONS (USC)		BP/BP2	PF/PF2	FNGS1/FNGS	DUST/DUST2	BMF
Best/Good		180 - 240	205 - 234	150 - 209	096 - 226	-
Good Medium/Medium		-	-	140 - 196	130 - 215	-
Lower Medium		125 - 165	110 - 188	090 - 184	100 - 154	080 - 099
Plainer		096 - 162	086 - 152	079 - 146	078 - 138	077 - 090
						
Courtesy - Africa Tea Brokers Limited.						
FORBES & WALKER TEA BROKERS (PVT) LTD SALE OF - 18TH/ 19TH APRIL 2023						

**BANGLADESH AUCTION**

**SALE OF - 17TH APRIL 2023 (SALE NO. 01)**

CTC LEAF: 13,630 packages of Current Season & 10 packages of Old Season teas on offer met with a very strong demand.

BROKENS/FANNINGS: Grainy, well made good liquoring teas were keenly sought after resulting in prices appreciating considerably for these varieties.  
Good and Medium types were also well competed for and advanced in price following quality. A few plain and BLF teas met with only a limited interest and were mostly withdrawn without bids.

CTC DUST: 2,987 packages of Current Season teas on offer met with strong demand. Good liquoring Ds and CDs met with good competition and generally sold above Brokers' valuation fetching between Tk. 357/- and Tk.265/-. These also sold well in line with quality. PDs and RDs were also well supported and rates for these ranged between Tk. 280/- and Tk.230/-. BLF Dusts proved difficult of sale with heavy withdrawals. Loose tea buyers operated quite strongly on well made popular marks. Blenders were selective only for bright liquoring types.

COMMENTS: This was the first sale of the season which attracted strong interest from the Loose tea buyers. Blenders lent good support but were selective. It was noteworthy that well made popular marks elicited strong support from the Loose tea buyers and fetched prices well above Brokers' price ideas.

Our catalogue: (Sale 01) Avg: Tk 259.38, Sold 87.6 %

QUOTATIONS	BROKENS		FANNINGS
Large	2.66-2.85nom	Best	2.61-2.85nom
Medium	2.38-2.61	Good	2.38-2.57
Small	2.19-2.33	Medium	2.19-2.33
Plain	1.02-2.14	Plain	1.02-2.14
BLF	1.38-1.57nom	BLF	1.38-1.57

Courtesy - National Brokers Limited.

**MALAWI AUCTION**

**SALE OF - 19TH APRIL 2023 (SALE NO. 16)**

There was less demand at firm rates where sold for the 5620 packages on offer.  
BP1 met improved demand up to 3 USC dearer.  
PF1 - Few selected invoices held firm, balance taken out with no bids.  
PF1SC were firm on last.  
PD/D1 were neglected.  
Secondaries - Few selected lines tended firm, balance taken out.

Courtesy - Tea Brokers Central Africa Limited.

**KOLKATA AUCTION**

**SALE OF - 18TH/ 19TH APRIL 2023 (SALE NO. 16)**

Fair demand. Good and medium Assam selling at easier levels. Plainer Dooars barely steady.W I operating. TCPL selective. Local Buyers operating. Based on ABL's Catalogue.

Courtesy - Associated Brokers Pvt. Ltd., Kolkata

**COCHIN AUCTION**

**SALE OF - 18TH APRIL 2023 (SALE NO. 16)**

**CTC DUST**

**DEMAND:** Good (90% sold)

**MARKET:** Good liquoring teas steady to firm to sometimes dearer, the remainder irregular and occasionally easier and witnessed some withdrawal especially browner teas.

**BUYING PATTERN:** Avt and Devgiri tea & produce active. Kerala loose tea traders and upcountry buyers lent fair support. Major packeteers (hul & tcpl) subdued. All blenders together absorbed 60% of the total quantity sold. Exporters operated at bottom of the market and covered nominal quantity.

**ORTHODOX DUST**

**DEMAND:** Good (100% sold)

**MARKET:** Primary steady, while secondary lower.

**BUYING PATTERN:** Exporters absorbed the small quantity of orthodox quantity sold.

Courtesy - Forbes, Ewart & Figgis Pvt. Ltd., Cochin.

**GUWAHATI AUCTION**

The above market report details were not available at the time of printing this publication.

## SRI LANKA TEA CROP

MARCH 2023/2022												
		(in Kgs.)								("Actual" in Million Kgs)		
ELEVATION	CTC		CHANGE	(23-22)	ORTHODOX		CHANGE	(23-22)	TOTAL		CHANGE	(23-22)
	2023	2022	ACTUAL	%	2023	2022	ACTUAL	%	2023	2022	ACTUAL	%
HIGH	402,832	437,811	-0.03	-7.99%	4,129,416	4,528,387	-0.40	-8.81%	4,532,248	4,966,198	-0.43	-8.74%
MEDIUM	617,374	478,345	0.14	29.06%	2,837,561	2,945,256	-0.11	-3.66%	3,454,935	3,423,601	0.03	0.92%
LOW	852,123	882,403	-0.03	-3.43%	12,248,754	12,626,434	-0.38	-2.99%	13,100,877	13,508,837	-0.41	-3.02%
GREEN TEA									248,211	117,253	0.13	111.69%
T/B Adjustment												
TOTAL	1,872,329	1,798,559	0.07	4.10%	19,215,731	20,100,077	-0.88	-4.40%	21,336,271	22,015,889	-0.68	-3.09%
JANUARY / MARCH 2023/2022												
		(in Kgs.)								(" Actual" in Million Kgs)		
ELEVATION	CTC		CHANGE	(23-22)	ORTHODOX		CHANGE	(23-22)	TOTAL		CHANGE	(23-22)
	2023	2022	ACTUAL	%	2023	2022	ACTUAL	%	2023	2022	ACTUAL	%
HIGH	1,093,954	1,383,055	-0.29	-20.90%	11,179,417	13,207,740	-2.03	-15.36%	12,273,371	14,590,795	-2.32	-15.88%
MEDIUM	1,580,681	1,703,451	-0.12	-7.21%	7,310,769	8,267,067	-0.96	-11.57%	8,891,450	9,970,518	-1.08	-10.82%
LOW	2,423,843	2,652,870	-0.23	-8.63%	34,331,191	35,395,631	-1.06	-3.01%	36,755,034	38,048,501	-1.29	-3.40%
GREEN TEA									600,280	489,569	0.11	22.61%
T/B Adjustment												
TOTAL	5,098,478	5,739,376	-0.64	-11.17%	52,821,377	56,870,438	-4.05	-7.12%	58,520,135	63,099,383	-4.58	-7.26%

DETAILS OF TEAS AWAITING SALE

SALE NO : 16 SCHEDULED FOR 25TH/ 26TH APRIL 2023

	LOT	QUANTITY kgs	LOW GROWN CATALOGUES			
Ex Estate	674	713,132	Leafy	Closed on	30/03/2023	Violations Excluded
High & Medium	1,462	660,275	Semi Leafy	Closed on	30/03/2023	Violations Excluded
Leafy	2,051	815,858	Tippy	Closed on	30/03/2023	Violations Excluded
Semi Leafy	1,623	729,484	OTHER MAIN SALE CATALOGUES			
Tippy	1,830	886,701	High & Medium	Closed on	30/03/2023	Violations Excluded
Premium Flowery	248	45,919	Dust	Closed on	30/03/2023	Violations Excluded
Off Grades	2,086	1,057,475	Premium Flowery	Closed on	30/03/2023	Violations Excluded
Dust	559	530,282	Off Grades	Closed on	30/03/2023	Violations Excluded
TOTAL	10,533	5,438,853	BOP1A	Closed on	30/03/2023	Violations Excluded
Re-print	804	372,600	Ex Estate	Closed on	30/03/2023	Violations Excluded

No of Pkgs : 144,502  
CTC : 8,355 Pkgs - 455,636 kgs  
SALE NO. 16 - SALE OF 26TH/27TH APRIL 2022BUYERS' PROMPT : 02/05/2023  
Lots : 10,657Re-print Lots : 155SELLERS' PROMPT : 03/05/2023  
Quantity : 5,823,519 kgsRe-print Quantity : 84,453 kgs

SALE NO : 17 SCHEDULED FOR 02ND/ 03RD MAY 2023

	LOT	QUANTITY kgs	LOW GROWN CATALOGUES			
Ex Estate	745	800,562	Leafy	Closed on	06/04/2023	Violations Excluded
High & Medium	1,586	745,087	Semi Leafy	Closed on	06/04/2023	Violations Excluded
Leafy	2,163	895,610	Tippy	Closed on	06/04/2023	Violations Excluded
Semi Leafy	1,596	712,398	OTHER MAIN SALE CATALOGUES			
Tippy	1,797	877,501	High & Medium	Closed on	06/04/2023	Violations Excluded
Premium Flowery	243	45,980	Dust	Closed on	06/04/2023	Violations Excluded
Off Grades	2,521	1,315,040	Premium Flowery	Closed on	06/04/2023	Violations Excluded
Dust	659	597,365	Off Grades	Closed on	06/04/2023	Violations Excluded
TOTAL	11,310	5,989,543	BOP1A	Closed on	06/04/2023	Violations Excluded
Re-print	826	418,294	Ex Estate	Closed on	06/04/2023	Violations Excluded

No of Pkgs : 158,909  
CTC : 9,965 Pkgs - 543,143 kgs  
SALE NO. 17 - SALE OF 03RD/ 04TH MAY 2022BUYERS' PROMPT : 09/05/2023  
Lots : 10,811Re-print Lots : 271SELLERS' PROMPT : 10/05/2023  
Quantity : 5,928,714 kgsRe-print Quantity : 161,237 kgs

SALE NO : 16 SCHEDULED FOR 25TH/ 26TH APRIL 2023

ORDER OF SALE			Approximate Selling Time of F&W Catalogues	
EX ESTATE	LG Large Leaf/Semi Leafy/LG Small Leaf/BOPIA/Prem	High & Medium/Off Grade/Dust	25TH APRIL 2023	
AS	CTB	MB	Main Sale - High & Medium	01.30pm
FW	JK	AS	Semi Leafy Teas	03.00pm
MB	LC	JK	Leafy Teas	04.00pm
EB	BC	EB	Tippy Teas	04.30pm
JK	EB	CTB	BOP1A	05.00pm
BC	MB	LC	26TH APRIL 2023	
CTB	FW	BC	Ex-Estate	08.30am
LC	AS	FW	Premium Flowery	08.30am
FW - Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd		AS - Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC	Off Grades	10.30am
JK - John Keells PLC		MB - Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt)Ltd	Dust	03.30pm
BC - Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd		LC - Lanka Commodity Brokers (Pvt) Ltd		
EB - Eastern Brokers Ltd		CTB - Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC		

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