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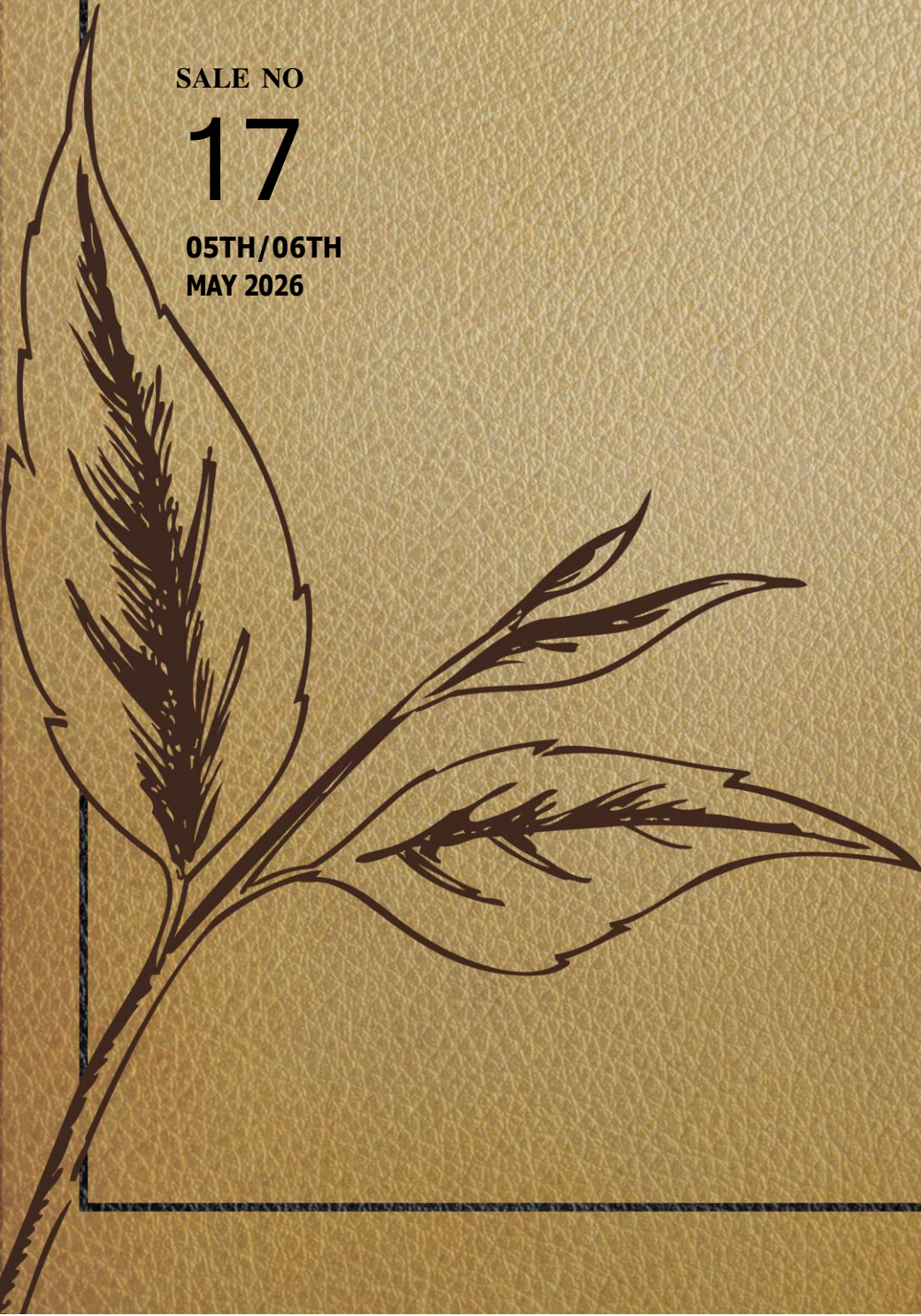
FORBES & WALKER TEA BROKERS PVT LTD

WEEKLY TEA MARKET REPORT

SALE NO

17

**05TH/06TH
MAY 2026**



Overall Market

	QTY (M/KGS)	DEMAND
Ex Estate	0.87	Fair
High & Medium	0.78	Good
Leafy	0.70	Fair
Semi Leafy	0.53	Fair
Tippy/Small Leaf	0.79	Fair
Premium Flowery	0.04	Fair
Off Grade	1.16	Fair
Dust	0.54	Fair
Total	5.41	Fair

ORDER OF SALE

SALE NO : 17

05TH/06TH MAY 2026

EX-ESTATE	LG LARGE LEAF LG SMALL LEAF/BOP1A/ PREMIUM	HIGH & MEDIUM/OFF GRADE /DUST
Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	John Keells PLC	BPML Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd
BPML Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd	Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd	Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC
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John Keells PLC	BPML Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd	Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC	Eastern Brokers Ltd	Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
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Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	John Keells PLC
Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC	Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC

AUCTION DETAILS

AT THIS WEEK'S SALE 11,064 LOTS TOTALLING 5,413,959 KGS WERE ON OFFER. THE BREAKDOWN IS AS FOLLOWS:

	LOTS	QUANTITY
Ex Estate	908	871,941
High & Medium	1,789	776,601
Low Grown - Leafy	1,979	704,295
Low Grown - Semi Leafy	1,363	532,200
Low Grown - Tippy	1,737	788,991
Premium Flowery	283	36,559
Off Grades	2,375	1,163,525
Dust	630	539,847
Total	11,064	5,413,959
Re - Prints	897	454,399

SETTLEMENT DATES

08/05/2026 12/05/2026 13/05/2026

10% Payment Buyers Prompt Sellers Prompt

Quality

Westerns/Nuwara Eliyas were barely maintained, whilst the Uva/Uda Pussellawas showed no change. Low Grown were similar to last.

COMMENTS

Auction offerings were similar to last and totalled 5.4 M/Kgs. There was fair general demand. The recent depreciation in the Sri Lankan Rupee helped stabilise the market, particularly for the Leafy/Low Grown teas. The liquoring BOP/BOPF's met with less demand and a firm to easier trend in prices, perhaps in the backdrop of lower quality and anticipation of greater availability in the forthcoming sales.

Ex-Estate offerings comprised of 0.87 M/Kgs, marginally higher than the previous week's offerings. Less demand and selective buying following quality. Teas from the Western/Nuwara Eliya regions showed a decline for teas in the Best category, whilst the others showed no significant change.

Best Western BOP/BOPF's, in general, declined Rs. 20-40 per kg in most instances. In the Below Best and Plainer categories too, a firm to easier trend in prices were observed with the demand factor waning off towards the latter part of the sale. Nuwara Eliyas' in the backdrop of plainer quality were neglected and mostly unsold. Uda Pussellawas' followed a similar trend with the corresponding BOPF's, in particular, recording a sharp decline. Uva - Better BOP's were generally firm, whilst the corresponding BOPF's were marginally easier by up to Rs. 20 per kg. Here again, the poorer sorts declined by up to Rs. 50 per kg.

High & Mid Grown CTC teas - BP1's had hardly any offerings. PF1's - Better teas declined by up to Rs. 40 per kg and Rs. 20-40 per kg respectively for the High Grown and Medium Grown categories. Corresponding Low Grown varieties - Here again, there were hardly offerings of BP1's. PF1's - Better teas were mostly firm, whilst the poorer sorts were irregularly easier.

Less activity from shippers to the Western markets. Shippers to the CIS and Middle East continued to be active at lower levels, whilst shippers to Japan and South Africa bid in a fairly selective manner.

Low Grown totalled approximately 2.0 M/Kgs. All categories met with fair demand.

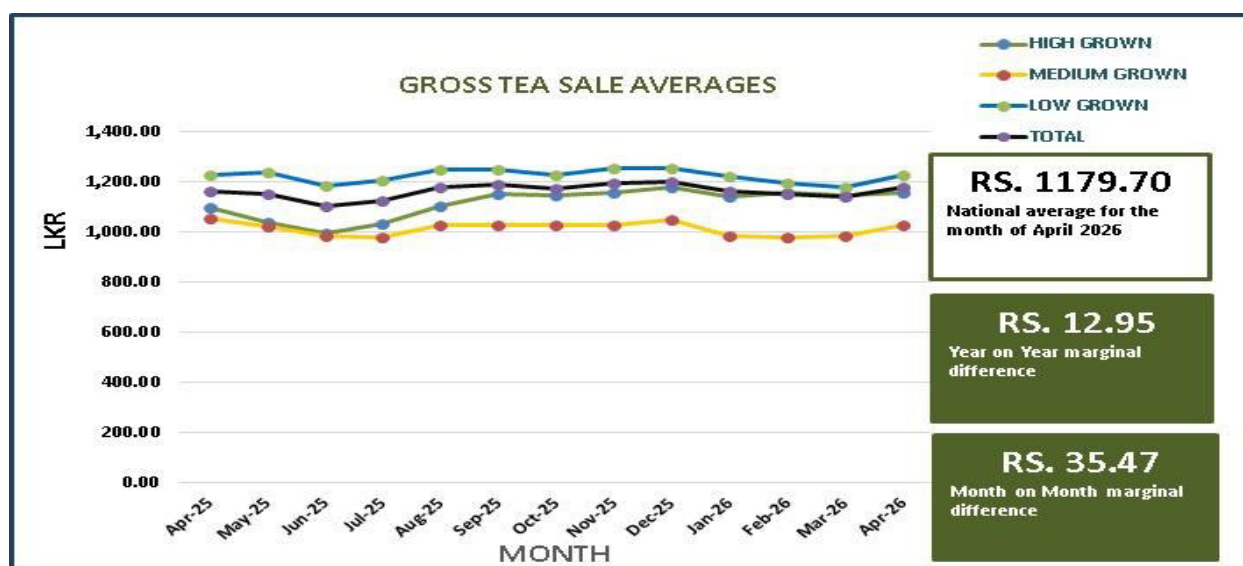
In the Leafy and Semi-Leafy catalogues, BOP1's in general were firm. Select Best and Best OP1's were lower, whilst the Below Best together with the clean leaf teas at the bottom were firm to dearer. High-priced OP/OPA's maintained, whilst the balance were firm. Select Best PEK's appreciated, whilst the Best varieties were lower. However, the balance appreciated. PEK1's, in general, were firm.

In the Tippy catalogue, Select Best FBOP's were irregularly easier, whilst the balance sold around last levels. Well-made FF1's were irregular, whilst the balance were firm to dearer.

In the Premium catalogue, Very Tippy teas met with good demand and were firm, whilst the balance sold around last levels. However, a selection of leafier types gained in value.

NATIONAL TEA SALES AVERAGES

(APRIL 2026)



Key Highlights:

- Sale Average of April 2026 records Rs. 1,179.70 (USD 3.69), an increase of Rs. 35.47 (USD 0.06) vis-à-vis March 2026
- Cumulatively, all elevations except for the High Grown elevation witnessed a decline in LKR Terms, whilst in USD terms, all elevations saw a negative variance in comparison with the corresponding month in the year 2025

In Sri Lankan Rupees								
	26-Apr	26-Mar	MOM Variance	25-Apr	YOY Variance	To date 2026	To date 2025	YOY Variance
High Grown	1,161.94	1,150.71	11.23	1,101.21	60.73	1,153.17	1,114.20	38.97
Medium Grown	1,031.79	987.09	44.70	1,058.03	-26.24	994.81	1,045.45	-50.64
Low Grown	1,229.77	1,181.30	48.47	1,228.65	1.12	1,204.36	1,236.72	-32.36
Total	1,179.70	1,144.23	35.47	1,166.75	12.95	1,158.33	1,176.10	-17.77
In U.S. Dollars								
	26-Apr	26-Mar	MOM Variance	25-Apr	YOY Variance	To date 2026	To date 2025	YOY Variance
High Grown	3.64	3.65	-0.01	3.68	-0.04	3.68	3.75	-0.07
Medium Grown	3.23	3.13	0.10	3.53	-0.30	3.17	3.52	-0.34
Low Grown	3.85	3.75	0.10	4.10	-0.25	3.84	4.16	-0.32
Total	3.69	3.63	0.06	3.89	-0.20	3.70	3.96	-0.26

Source - Sri Lanka Tea Board (For statistical purposes only)
Currency conversion - Central Bank April 2026 Spot Rate

* National tea sales average for the month of April 2026 recorded Rs. 1,179.70 (USD 3.69), showing an increase of Rs. 35.47 and USD 0.06 in comparison with the March 2026 average of Rs. 1,144.23 (USD 3.63).

* In comparison to the April 2025 average of Rs. 1,166.75 (USD 3.89), shows an increase of Rs. 12.95 and a decline of USD 0.20 YOY.

* Total National Sale Average for the year 2026 (to-date) was recorded at Rs. 1,158.33 (USD 3.70), a negative variance of Rs. 17.77 (USD 0.26) vis-à-vis Rs. 1,176.10 (USD 3.96) recorded in the corresponding period of the year 2025.

Elevation-Wise Summary: April 2026

* High Grown average for the month recorded an increase of Rs. 11.23 and a decrease of USD 0.01 month on month, whilst an increase of Rs. 60.73 and decline of USD 0.04 was witnessed against the corresponding month in 2025.

* Medium Grown average for the month recorded a positive variance of Rs. 44.70 and USD 0.10 month on month. In comparison to the corresponding monthly average last year, shows a decrease of Rs. 26.24 and USD 0.30.

* Low Grown average for the month recorded an increase Rs. 48.47 and USD 0.10 month on month, whilst against the corresponding average of April 2025, shows a positive variance of Rs. 1.12 and decrease of USD 0.25.

(Refer statistical details on Page No. 13)

World Tea News

Kenya expects export growth with Chinese tax waiver

Anticipation is building across Kenya's agricultural export sector as China prepares to implement a zero-tariff policy on a wide range of African products from May 1.

This is an unprecedented move that could redefine trade flows between the continent and the world's second-largest economy. It is not just about lower costs, it is about access to a vast and evolving consumer base.

It is reported that China's rapidly expanding middle class is reshaping global consumption patterns, as rising incomes, urbanization and increasing health awareness are pushing consumers toward premium, nutritious foods, creating a fertile ground for African exports.

Kenya is one of Africa's biggest producers and exporters of tea, with the main destinations of export including European countries and some Asian countries such as Pakistan.

The zero-tariff policy will help Kenya's tea open the world's biggest market. Currently Kenya is unable to export tea to China because they are not competitive in prices.

Kenyan tea exporters are betting on China's growing interest in specialty and health-oriented teas. Products such as purple tea, which is rich in antioxidants and white tea, often marketed for anti-aging benefits, could appeal to China's increasingly health-conscious consumers.

Though it is still early, exports could gradually go up to 100 tons annually as the market develops.

Source: China Daily (Extracts), Courtesy: Tea Exporters' Association Sri Lanka

Tea Imports by China for Consumption vs. Tea Exports from Sri Lanka to China (MT) 2016-2025

CHINA			
YEAR	IMPORTS FOR CONSUMPTION (MT)	SRI LANKAN TEA EXPORTS (MT)	%
2016	22,736	7,604	33.44%
2017	29,831	9,903	33.20%
2018	35,530	10,020	28.20%
2019	43,553	11,870	27.26%
2020	43,429	14,123	32.52%
2021	46,743	14,237	30.46%
2022	41,395	11,129	26.88%
2023	39,134	12,320	31.48%
2024	53,976	11,565	21.43%
2025	60,744	10,425	17.16%
TOTAL (10 YEARS)	417,071	113,197	27.14%

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The statistic set out above would reveal:

- ❖ Tea imports in to China have shown a progressive increase from 22 MT in 2016 to 60 MT in 2025 - 172%.
- ❖ Sri Lank's exports to China from 7.6 MT in 2016 increased to 10.4 MT in 2025 - 36%.
- ❖ In 2016, Sri Lankan tea exports comprised of 33% of imports to China, whilst in 2025 records 17%.

CROP AND WEATHER

FOR THE PERIOD 28 April - 04 May 2026

Western/Nuwara Eliya Regions



Bright mornings and evening showers were reported in Western and Nuwara Eliya regions throughout the week. Showers are expected in both regions in the week ahead according to the Department of Meteorology.

Uva/Udapussellawa Regions



The Uva and Uda Pussellawa regions reported sunny weather and occasional evening showers during the week. According to the Department of Meteorology, misty conditions are expected in the Uva Region in the week ahead.

Low Grown



The Low Grown Region reported bright mornings and evening showers throughout the week. The Department of Meteorology expects heavy showers in the Low Grown Region in the week ahead.

Crop

The Western, Nuwara Eliya, Uva and Uda Pussellawa regions reported a decrease in the crop intake, whilst the Low Grown Region reported an increase.

HIGH GROWN TEAS

■ Incline from last week
■ Decline from last week
■ Static Market

BOP

Best Western's declined by Rs. 20-40 per kg and more for select high-priced teas of last week. In the Below Best category, teas in the higher price bracket declined by Rs. 50 per kg and more, whilst the others together with teas at the lower end of the market declined by Rs. 20-40 per kg. Nuwara Eliya's were mostly unsold. Uda Pussellawa's - Clean leaf types were firm, whilst the others declined by Rs. 50 per kg and more. Uva's - Better teas generally sold around last, whilst the others declined by Rs. 50 per kg and more.

BOPF

Best Western's - Coloury/neat leaf teas gained by Rs. 20-40 per kg and more for select invoices, whilst the others were irregular following quality. In the Below Best category, teas in the higher price bracket where quality was maintained, sold around last, whilst the others were irregular. At the lower end, a selection of coloury teas were firm, whilst the others were irregular and easier by Rs. 20 per kg and more as the sale progressed. Nuwara Eliya's were mostly unsold. Uda Pussellawa's were sharply easier. Uva's - Better teas were firm and Rs. 20 per kg easier, whilst the others declined by up to Rs. 50 per kg and more towards the close.

OP/OPA

Well-made varieties were firm to dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg. Below Best types were firm to dearer by Rs. 20-30 per kg, whilst the others and poorer sorts were dearer by a similar margin.

PEKOE/PEKOE1

Flavoury PEK/PEK1's were discounted. Select Best Orthodox PEK/PEK1's were firm to marginally dearer by Rs. 30-50 per kg, whilst the Best and Below Best were firm to dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg. Poorer sorts were irregularly easier by Rs. 10-20 per kg. Rotovane PEK's in the Select Best category declined by Rs. 50-100 per kg. Below Best sorts were irregularly lower, whilst the poorer sorts declined by Rs. 50 per kg and more.

FBOP/FBOPF1

Flavoury FBOP's were not available, while FF1's were firm on last levels. Better Orthodox FBOP's were easier by Rs. 30-50 per kg, whilst the FF1's were lower by Rs. 20-40 per kg. Below Best Orthodox FBOP's were firm to easier by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the FF1's were firm to easier by Rs. 20-30 per kg. The poorer sorts were dearer by Rs. 10-30 per kg.

QUOTATIONS LKR

SALE DTE	BOP		BOPF		PEKOE/FBOP		OP	
	27/28 Apr	05/06 May	27/28 Apr	05/06 May	27/28 Apr	05/06 May	27/28 Apr	05/06 May
Best Westerns	1340-1440	1300 - 1440	1340-1550	1320 - 1460	1280-1750	1300 - 1440	1140-1260	1120 - 1280
Below Best Westerns	1180-1320	1140 - 1260	1260-1320	1240 - 1300	1200-1280	1100 - 1260	1020-1120	1020 - 1100
Plainer Westerns	920-1160	940 - 1120	1000-1240	1000 - 1220	850-1020	830 - 980	N/A	960 - 1000
Nuwara Eliyas	1300	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	980	N/A
Brighter Udapussellawas	1120-1140	1100 - 1180	1240-1320	1140 - 1240	1460-1600	N/A	1140-1220	1260 - 1400
Other Udapussellawas	1020-1100	1060 - 1080	1000-1220	1040 - 1120	1040-1380	1320 - 1380	1000	960 - 1100
Best Uvas	1260-1300	1260 - 1340	1220-1300	1240 - 1260	1300-1750	1300 - 1750	1080-1360	1140 - 1440
Other Uvas	1140	1000 - 1080	980-1100	1200 - 1220	760-1280	770 - 1280	620-1060	960 - 1100

MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

■	Incline from last week
■	Decline from last week
■	Static Market

BOP	Large Leaf teas were generally firm, whilst the others were Rs. 20-40 per kg easier.
BOPF	Well-made types declined by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the other poorer sorts eased further and were difficult of sale.
OP/OPA	Well-made teas were dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the Below Best types were firm to dearer by Rs. 10-30 per kg. Poorer sorts gained by Rs. 20-40 per kg.
PEKOE/PEKOE1	Best PEK/PEK1's were firm to dearer by Rs. 20-50 per kg. Below Best PEK's gained by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the PEK1's were firm to easier by a similar margin. Poorer sorts were lower by Rs. 10-20 per kg.
FBOP/FBOPF1	A few Select Best FBOP's were firm, whilst the others were easier by Rs. 30-50 per kg. FBOPF1's were easier by Rs. 20-50 per kg. Best and Below Best FBOP/FBOPF1's were easier by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the poorer sorts were irregularly dearer by a similar margin.

QUOTATIONS LKR SALE DTE	BOP		BOPF		PEKOE/FBOP		OP	
	27/28 Apr	05/06 May	27/28 Apr	05/06 May	27/28 Apr	05/06 May	27/28 Apr	05/06 May
Good Mediums	1200-1900	1220 - 1900	1260-1300	1240 - 1280	1380-1900	1440 - 2100	1280-1600	1240 - 1440
Other Mediums	870-1140	880 - 1140	750-1040	770 - 1020	810-1360	800 - 1420	600-1260	560 - 1220

UNORTHODOX / CTC TEAS

HIGH GROWN	BP1s - Hardly any offerings. PF1s - Best available declined by Rs. 40 per kg and more following quality, whilst the others were generally firm.
MEDIUM GROWN	BP1s - Irregular. PF1s - Better sorts - Select invoices were firm, whilst the others were Rs. 20-40 per kg easier, in general.
LOW GROWN	BP1s - Hardly any offerings. PF1s - Better sorts were mostly firm, whilst the others were irregular and easier, and at times were difficult of sale.

QUOTATIONS LKR SALE DTE	BP1		PF1	
	27/28 Apr	05/06 May	27/28 Apr	05/06 May
High Grown	N/A	N/A	900-1160	890 - 1120
Medium Grown	1080	N/A	980-1200	940 - 1120
Low Grown	1360-1420	N/A	1100-1400	980 - 1400

OFF GRADES

■	Incline from last week
■	Decline from last week
■	Static Market

FGS1/FGS

Select Best sorts were firm to dearer following quality, whilst the Best varieties together with the Below Best sorts were firm to irregularly dearer following quality. Teas at the lower end of the market appreciated. Low Grown - In general, maintained. CTC - A few clean leaf sorts declined, whilst the others were firm to irregularly dearer.

BROKENS

Reducer varieties were firm on last week's levels. Clean leaf sorts in the Best category were firm to lower by Rs. 20 per kg, whilst the Below Best varieties maintained. Poorer sorts were firm to dearer.

BOPIA

Main Grade reducer varieties in the Best category maintained. Below Best varieties which commenced easier by Rs. 10-20 per kg, declined by Rs. 20-30 per kg and more as the sale progressed. Poorer sorts were firm to easier by Rs. 20 per kg.

QUOTATIONS LKR

SALE DTE	HIGH		MEDIUM		LOW	
	27/28 Apr	05/06 May	27/28 Apr	05/06 May	27/28 Apr	05/06 May
Better Fannings (Orthodox)	740-1220	770 - 1260	720-1000	730 - 1100	750-960	750 -- 960
Better Fannings (CTC)	N/A	N/A	750	800 -	790-1240	800 - 1120
Other Fannings (Orthodox)	400-720	470 - 760	480-700	540 - 720	450-740	440 -- 740
Other Fannings (CTC)	N/A	N/A	540-700	610 - 730	500-640	500 -- 690
Good Brokens	750-1160	720 - 1040	750-1220	760 - 1220	780-1420	790 - 1300
Other Brokens	400-720	410 - 710	470-740	490 - 750	420-770	420 -- 760
Better BOP1As	750-860	740 - 890	780-1220	750 - 1100	780-1380	760 - 1400
Other BOP1As	550-730	700 - 730	700-760	600 - 740	450-750	490 - 740

DUSTS

DUST1

The Select Best varieties remained firm. Best and Below Best varieties were dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the poorer sorts declined by a similar margin. The Low Grown varieties sold around last week's price levels. The High and Medium Grown CTC's were firm to easier by Rs. 20-30 per kg, whilst the Low Grown CTC's remained firm.

DUST

Clean Leaf secondaries together with the poorer sorts sold around last week's price levels, whilst the Low Grown varieties followed a similar trend.

QUOTATIONS LKR

SALE DTE	HIGH		MEDIUM		LOW	
	27/28 Apr	05/06 May	27/28 Apr	05/06 May	27/28 Apr	05/06 May
Better Primary Dust (Orthodox)	1180-1700	1200 - 1750	1060-1180	1060 - 1200	N/A	N/A
Better Primary Dust (CTC) P. Dust	1100-1140	1100 - 1160	1040-1120	1020 - 1080	1180-1360	1180 - 1340
Below Best Primary Dust (Orthodox)	920-1160	920 - 1180	830-1040	810 - 1040	720-940	710 - 900
Other Primary Dust (CTC) P. Dust	900-1080	1040 - 1100	640-1020	750 - 1000	850-1160	740 - 1140
Other Primary Dust (Orthodox)	680-900	630 - 900	570-820	520 - 800	630-710	540 - 700
Better Secondary Dust	1040-1160	1020 - 1120	820-860	N/A	830-960	850 - 900
Other Secondary Dust	590-1020	570 - 1000	540-800	520 - 730	480-820	500 - 840

LOW GROWN TEAS

■	Incline from last week
■	Decline from last week
■	Static Market

FBOP/FBOP1	Select Best FBOP's were irregularly easier, whilst the balance sold around last levels. FBOP1's, in general, were firm.
BOP	In general, were firm.
BOP1	BOP1's, in general, were firm.
OP1	Select Best and Best OP1's were lower, whilst the Below Best together with the clean leaf teas at the bottom were firm to dearer.
OP	High-priced OP's maintained, whilst the balance appreciated.
OPA	Select Best OPA's were firm, whilst the Best and Below Best together with the clean leaf teas at the bottom were dearer.
PEKOE	High-priced PEK's appreciated, whilst the Best varieties were lower. Balance together with the bold/open varieties and teas at the bottom appreciated. PEK1's, in general, were firm.
BOPF	A range of high-priced BOPF's were selectively dearer, whilst the balance sold around last levels.
FBOPF/FBOPF1	Very Tippy teas met with good demand and were firm, whilst the balance sold around last levels. However, a selection of leafier types gained in value. Well-made FF1's were irregular, whilst the balance were firm to dearer.

QUOTATIONS LKR SALE DTE	SELECT BEST		BEST		BELOW BEST		OTHERS	
	27/28	05/06	27/28	05/06	27/28	05/06	27/28	05/06
	Apr	May	Apr	May	Apr	May	Apr	May
FBOP 1	1170-2000	1700 - 2100	1450-1500	1450 - 1500	1300-1350	1300 - 1350	950-1000	950 - 1000
FBOP	1900-2550	1900 - 2550	1650-1750	1650 - 1750	1350-1400	1350 - 1400	950-1000	950 - 1000
BOP 1	2300-3100	2300 - 3050	1750-2300	1750 - 2300	1360-1600	1360 - 1600	900-1340	900 - 1340
BOP	1750-2100	1750 - 2100	1550-1600	1550 - 1600	1200-1250	1200 - 1250	950-1000	950 - 1000
BOPF	1500-1600	1550 - 1650	1000-1100	1050 - 1150	900-950	900 - 950	700-750	700 - 750
FBOPF (TIPPY)/FBOPF SP	4000-5500	4000 - 5500	3500-3800	3500 - 3800	1900-2800	1900 - 2800	1000	1000 -
FBOPF 1	1500-1650	1500 - 1650	1400-1460	1420 - 1480	1300-1380	1320 - 1380	950-1000	950 - 1000
FBOPF	1400-1600	1400 - 1600	1300-1380	1300 - 1380	1200-1250	1200 - 1250	950-1000	950 - 1000
OP 1	3100-3500	3000 - 3400	2500-3050	2400 - 2950	1900-2450	1800 - 2350	900-1850	900 - 1750
OP	1600-1800	1600 - 1800	1480-1550	1480 - 1550	1380-1460	1400 - 1460	850-1360	850 - 1380
OPA	1500-1900	1550 - 1900	1380-1480	1400 - 1500	1280-1360	1300 - 1380	850-1260	850 - 1280
PEKOE	1500-2350	1480 - 2450	1300-1480	1300 - 1460	1180-1280	1180 - 1280	850-1160	900 - 1160
PEK 1	1800-2400	1800 - 2350	1600-1750	1650 - 1750	1300-1550	1300 - 1600	900-1280	950 - 1280

TOP PRICE

WESTERN MEDIUM				WESTERN HIGH			
Ancoombra	BOP		1900	Kirkoswald	FBOP	@	1320
Dartry Valley	BOP	@	1700	Inverness	FBOP1		940
Craighead	BOPSp	@	1500	Millington	FBOPF		830
Windsorforest	BOPSp	@	1460	Frotoft Super	FBOPF1		1420
Vellai Oya	BOPF	@	1280	Venture	OP		1280
Harangalla	BOPFSp		1480	Venture	OPA		1240
Dartry Valley	BOPFSp	@	1400	Venture	OP1		1480
Ancoombra	BOPFSp		1400	Dessford	PEK		1480
Craighead	BOPFSp	@	1380	Tillyrie	PEK	@	1340
Harangalla	BOP1	@	2200	Frotoft Super	PEK1		1800
Harangalla	FBOP	@	2100	NUWARA ELIYAS			
Ancoombra	FBOP		2100	Kenmare	BOPSp		980
Dartry Valley	FBOP	@	1850	Lovers Leap	BOP1		1700
Craighead	FBOP	@	1800	Kenmare	OP		1100
Craighead	FBOP1	@	1480	Lovers Leap	OP1		1280
Maussawa Valley	FBOPF		920	Lovers Leap	PEK		1280
Doombagastalawa	FBOPF	@	900	UDAPUSSELLAWAS			
Dartry Valley	FBOPF1	@	1750	Kirklees	BOP		1180
Cooroondoowatte	OP	@	1400	Delmar	BOPSp		1380
Galgewarra	OP		1400	Mooloya	BOPF		1240
Pupuressa	OPA		1360	Blairlomond	FBOP		1800
Harangalla	OP1	@	1800	Maha Uva	FBOP	@	1550
Dehiwatte Super	PEK		1650	Gonapitiya	FBOP1		1280
Dartry Valley	PEK	@	1600	Maha Uva	FBOPF	@	940
Craighead	PEK1	@	2050	Blairlomond	FBOPF1	@	1440
Dartry Valley	PEK1	@	1950	Maha Uva	FBOPF1	@	1440
Harangalla	PEK1		1950	Delmar	FBOPF1	@	1400
Uplands	PEK1		1950	Maha Uva	OP	@	1440
Cooroondoowatte	PEK1	@	1900	Delmar	OP	@	1400
Meezan	PEK1		1900	Maha Uva	OPA	@	1320
WESTERN HIGH				Delmar	OPA	@	1260
Mattakelle	BOP		1440	Delmar	OP1	@	1650
Bearwell	BOP	@	1420	Maha Uva	OP1	@	1650
Ingestre	BOP	@	1400	Maha Uva	PEK	@	1460
Ingestre	BOPSp	@	1500	Blairlomond	PEK	@	1420
Dessford	BOPF	@	1460	Delmar	PEK	@	1380
Inverness	BOP1		1700	Maha Uva	PEK1	@	1750
Queensberry	FBOP	@	1440	Blairlomond	PEK1	@	1700
Loinorn	FBOP	@	1420	Delmar	PEK1	@	1650

@ - SOLD BY FORBES & WALKER TEA BROKERS (PVT) LTD. ** - ALL TIME RECORD PRICE. * - EQUAL ALL TIME RECORD PRICE

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LOW GROWN			
New Laksakanda	BOP		2150
New Spring View	BOPSp		1950
Andaradeniya Super	BOPSp		1950
Stream Line	BOPSp		1950
Kamarangapitiya	BOPSp	@	1900
New Rekadahena	BOPSp		1900
Mahaliyadda	BOPSp		1900
Rajjuruwatta Super	BOPF		1950
Kings Bru	BOPFSp		1950
Sithaka	FBOP		2650
Sunrise	FBOP		2550
Pothotuwa	FBOP	@	2350
Nilgiri	FBOP		2350
Mulatiyana Hills	FBOP		2350
Fortune	FBOP1	@	2200
Ganganee	FBOP1		2200
Athukorala Group Super	FBOP1		1950
Kiruwanganga	FBOP1	@	1900
New Laksakanda	FBOPF		1750
Lumbini	FBOPF1		1650
Garden Leaf Super	FBOPF1	@	1600
Houpe Special	FBOPF1	@	1600
Gunawardana	FBOPF1	@	1600
Makandura	FBOPF1		1600
Danlanda Watte	FBOPF1		1600
Hiniduma Smallholders	FBOPF1		1600
Pothotuwa	FBOPF1	@	1550
New Batuwangala	FBOPF1		1550
New Vithanakande	FBOPF1		1550
Kolonna Super	FBOPF1		1550
Co-Op Lanka	FBOPF1		1550
Godigamuwa	FBOPF1		1550
Alhewana Super	FBOPF1		1550
Balagala	FBOPF1		1550
Sunrise	FBOPF1		1550
Pothotuwa	BOP1	@	3050
Susantha	OP1		3400
Pothotuwa	OP1	@	3350
Miriswatta	OP		1800
Miriswatta	OPA		1900
Lumbini	PEK		2450
Andaradeniya Super	PEK1		2350
UVA MEDIUM			
Tiniya	BOP		1420
Aruna Keppetipola	BOPSp		1440
Dickwella	BOPSp	@	1420
Hindagala	BOPSp		1420
El Teb	BOPF		1240
Dickwella	BOPFSp		1550
Sarnia Plaiderie	BOPFSp	@	1120
Dickwella	BOP1		1800
Demodera 'S'	FBOP	@	1800
Sarnia Plaiderie	FBOP		1800
Dickwella	FBOP1	@	1550
Haplewatte Uva	FBOPF		890
Misty-Uva	FBOPF	@	800
Haplewatte Uva	FBOPF1		1650
Sarnia Plaiderie	OP		1400
Glen Alpin	OP		1400
Wewesse	OP		1400
Sarnia Plaiderie	OPA	@	1380
Wewesse	OPA		1380
Telbedde	OP1	@	1800
Sarnia Plaiderie	PEK		1600

UVA MEDIUM			
Aruna Keppetipola	PEK1		1950
Dickwella	PEK1	@	1850
Maratenne	PEK1		1850
Aruna Passara	PEK1		1850
UVA HIGH			
Pitaratmalie	BOP		1340
Uvakellie	BOP		1340
Ellathota Uva	BOP	@	1300
Nayabedde	BOP	@	1260
Bandaraeliya	BOP	@	1260
Spring Valley	BOPSp	@	1550
Nayabedde	BOPF	@	1300
Uva Highlands	BOPFSp	@	1420
Spring Valley	BOPFSp	@	1380
Spring Valley	BOP1	@	1750
Aislaby	BOP1	@	1550
Uvakellie	BOP1		1550
Craig	BOP1		1550
Aislaby	FBOP		1750
Spring Valley	FBOP1	@	1320
Spring Valley	FBOPF		800
Spring Valley	FBOPF1	@	1460
Craig	FBOPF1		1460
Craig	OP		1440
Spring Valley	OPA	@	1340
Spring Valley	OP1	@	1600
Craig	OP1		1600
Ranaya	PEK		1480
Spring Valley	PEK	@	1460
Ellathota Uva	PEK		1460
Ranaya	PEK1		1950
UNORTHODOX HIGH			
Ulugedara CTC	PF1		1120
Dunsinane CTC	PF1		1120
UNORTHODOX MEDIUM			
New Peacock CTC	PF1		1120
Donside	BP1		700
Aultmore CTC	BPS	@	870
UNORTHODOX LOW			
Hingalgoda CTC	PF1	@	1400
Nelunwatta CTC	BP1		980
PREMIUM FLOWERY			
Green House	FBOPSp		5500
New Batuwangala	FBOPFExSp		4900
Mahagastotte	FBOPFExSp1	@	3750
Kamarangapitiya	FBOPFExSp1	@	3400
DUSTS			
Mattakelle	DUST1		1750
Ceciliyan CTC	PD		1340
Kaipogalla	DUST	@	1120
OFF GRADES			
Wanarajah	FGS1		1260
Wattegodde	FGS1		1260
Tillyrie	FGS1	@	1240
Norwood	FGS1	@	1240
Alton	FGS1	@	1180
Renukanda	FGS		960
Chandrika CTC	PF	@	1120
Ambuluwawa CTC	PF	@	800
Kongahawatta	BM		1120
Gunawardana	BM	@	1100
Kosgahadola Ella	BM	@	1080
Adams View	BP	@	1300
Arbour Valley	BP		1300
Kiruwanganga	BP	@	1280
Chandrika Estate	BOP1A	@	1400
Liyonta	BOP1A		1400
OTHERS			
Kings Bru	BOPA		2050

QUANTITY SOLD

DURING THE PERIOD 23RD-28TH APRIL 2026	WEEKLY (KGS)		TODATE (KGS)	
	2026	2025	2026	2025
PRIVATE SALES	316,492	198,639	3,302,343	3,638,947
PUBLIC AUCTION	4,682,339	5,758,934	73,591,571	77,279,805
FORWARD CONTRACTS	88,000	59,600	648,560	1,023,936
DIRECT SALES	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
TOTAL	5,086,831	6,017,173	77,542,474	81,942,688
BMF EXCLUDED FROM PRIVATE SALE	33,295	NIL	443,234	708,891

(QUANTITY SOLD AND THE AVERAGE PRICE PER AUCTION)

	Quantity (M/kgs)			AVG Price (LKR)			Avg Price (USD)		
	2026	2025	2024	2026	2025	2024	2026	2025	2024
22ND APRIL 2026	4.71	5.17	4.45	1203.89	1193.47	1228.37	3.85	4.04	4.16
28TH APRIL 2026	4.68	5.76	4.13	1217.98	1188.33	1228.12	3.87	4.02	4.14

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka / Buying Rates

RATES OF EXCHANGE

SRI LANKA RUPEE APPROX PER UNIT OF CURRENCY

YEAR	2026	2025	2024
USD	316.04	295.18	291.52
STG.PD	426	390.78	363.69
EURO	367.89	332.13	310.93
YEN	2	2.04	1.82

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka / Buying Rates

PUBLIC AUCTION/GROSS SALES AVERAGE

SALE NO 16 27TH/ 28TH APRIL 2026	WEEKLY(LKR)			TODATE (LKR)			WEEKLY(USD)			TODATE(USD)		
	2026	2025	2024	2026	2025	2024	2026	2025	2024	2026	2025	2024
Uva High Grown	1121.26	1071.82	1118.38	1039.45	1061.29	1118.03	3.56	3.63	3.77	3.35	3.60	3.63
Western High Grown	1217.32	1081.14	1219.00	1204.94	1146.92	1202.71	3.87	3.66	4.10	3.88	3.89	3.91
CTC High Grown	1092.45	1076.90	1177.06	1110.16	1102.96	1131.19	3.47	3.65	3.96	3.58	3.74	3.67
High Grown (Summary)	1183.83	1077.79	1177.47	1157.40	1121.49	1179.36	3.76	3.65	3.96	3.73	3.80	3.83
Uva Medium Grown	1138.61	1118.55	1132.14	1013.49	1095.21	1161.42	3.62	3.79	3.81	3.27	3.71	3.77
Western Medium Grown	1012.72	1037.51	1033.55	978.88	1034.84	1109.07	3.22	3.51	3.48	3.16	3.51	3.60
CTC Medium Grown	898.36	946.09	996.94	966.89	964.10	971.83	2.86	3.20	3.36	3.12	3.27	3.16
Medium Grown (Summary)	1059.02	1064.95	1070.90	989.20	1053.49	1124.76	3.37	3.61	3.61	3.19	3.57	3.65
Orthodox Low Grown	1303.03	1286.64	1334.74	1237.08	1269.78	1406.56	4.14	4.36	4.49	3.99	4.30	4.57
CTC Low Grown	880.00	1014.77	1007.35	943.10	977.90	1039.90	2.80	3.44	3.39	3.04	3.32	3.38
Low Grown(Summary)	1278.78	1270.95	1307.56	1219.45	1256.53	1380.98	4.07	4.30	4.40	3.93	4.26	4.48
Total	1217.98	1188.33	1228.12	1170.65	1195.63	1295.59	3.87	4.02	4.14	3.77	4.05	4.21

Source: Oanda Exchange Rates

Source: MSL - Averages

NATIONAL TEA SALE AVERAGES MONTH OF APRIL 2026

	MONTH(LKR)			TODATE (LKR)			MONTH(USD)			TODATE(USD)		
	2026	2025	2024	2026	2025	2024	2026	2025	2024	2026	2025	2024
Uva High Grown	1115.15	1091.14	1127.05	1058.43	1070.94	1116.58	3.49	3.64	3.80	3.38	3.60	3.64
Western High Grown	1227.06	1132.58	1223.42	1217.46	1156.61	1209.14	3.84	3.78	4.12	3.89	3.89	3.95
CTC High Grown	1103.95	1106.49	1151.20	1110.35	1103.51	1130.81	3.46	3.69	3.88	3.54	3.71	3.69
High Grown (Summary)	1161.94	1101.21	1157.50	1153.17	1114.20	1156.14	3.64	3.68	3.90	3.68	3.75	3.77
Uva Medium Grown	1112.93	1121.55	1132.61	1013.93	1095.86	1151.70	3.49	3.74	3.82	3.24	3.69	3.76
Western Medium Grown	988.82	1036.26	1039.12	987.51	1035.29	1105.55	3.10	3.46	3.50	3.15	3.48	3.61
CTC Medium Grown	914.49	958.07	975.07	967.35	961.95	966.33	2.86	3.20	3.28	3.09	3.24	3.15
Medium Grown (Summary)	1031.79	1058.03	1067.92	994.81	1045.45	1108.27	3.23	3.53	3.60	3.17	3.52	3.62
Orthodox Low Grown	1278.28	1265.11	1340.13	1238.65	1273.35	1406.88	4.00	4.22	4.51	3.95	4.28	4.59
CTC Low Grown	887.97	992.98	984.63	942.90	974.61	1039.14	2.78	3.31	3.32	3.01	3.28	3.39
Low Grown(Summary)	1229.77	1228.65	1295.49	1204.36	1236.72	1362.48	3.85	4.10	4.36	3.84	4.16	4.45
Total	1179.70	1166.75	1216.85	1158.33	1176.10	1271.09	3.69	3.89	4.10	3.70	3.96	4.15

Source: Oanda Exchange Rates

Source: SLTB

WORLD TEA PRODUCTION (M/KGS)

	2024	2025	2026	TODATE			DIFFERENCE +/-	
				2024	2025	2026	2024 vs 2025	2025 vs 2026
Mar								
Sri Lanka	19.6	24.4	20.9	58.5	61.8	59.6	3.3	-2.2
North India	46.9	52.1	49	49.2	62.9	55.3	13.7	-7.6
South India	16.9	15.8	17.8	48.9	47.5	42.7	-1.4	-4.8

	2024	2025	2026	TODATE			DIFFERENCE +/-	
				2024	2025	2026	2024 vs 2025	2025 vs 2026
Feb								
Bangladesh	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.22	0.34	0.6	0.12	0.26
Malawi	6.2	6.7	5.6	13.5	12	10.8	-1.5	-1.2

	2023	2024	2025	TODATE			DIFFERENCE +/-	
				2023	2024	2025	2023 vs 2024	2024 vs 2025
Dec								
Kenya	54.3	55.8	49.3	570.3	598.5	549	28.2	-49.5

DETAILS OF AWAITING SALE

SALE NO : 18

Scheduled for 12TH/13TH MAY 2026

	LOTS	QUANTITY
ExEstate	1,054	1,089,727
High & Medium	1,696	810,003
Leafy	1,949	757,156
Semi Leafy	1,415	599,882
Tippy	1,770	866,380
Premium Flowery	244	34,092
OffGrades	1,993	1,014,586
Dust	656	617,350
Total	10,777	5,789,176
RePrint	649	364,494

19/05/2026

Buyers Prompt

20/05/2026

Sellers Prompt

This sale last year
Sale No. 18 | 14TH MAY 2025

Lots :9,229
Re-print Lots :654
Quantity :5,121,113 kgs
Re-print Quantity :330,386 kgs

LOW GROWN CATALOGUES

Violations Excluded

23/04/2026

LEAFY	SEMI-LEAFY	TIPPY
Closed	Closed	Closed

OTHER MAIN SALE CATALOGUES

23/04/2026

HIGH & MEDIUM	PREMIUM FLOWERY	OFF GRADES
Closed	Closed	Closed

NO .OF PKGS

149,164

CTC

12,220 Pkgs - 633,785 kgs

ORDER OF SALE

Ex-Estate	LG Large Leaf//Semi Leafy/LG Small Leaf/BOP1A/ Premium	High & Medium/Off Grade /Dust	Approx Selling time of F&W Catalogues	
JK	AS	AS	12TH	
BC	BC	LC	MAY 2026	
EB	MB	MB	11.00am	Main Sale - High & Medium
MB	FW	FW	11.00am	Semi - Leafy Teas
FW	JK	EB	11.30am	Low Grown - Leafy Teas
AS	EB	JK	11.45am	Low Grown - Tippy Teas
LC	LC	CTB	4.30pm	Premium Flowery
CTB	CTB	BC		
BC - BPML Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd	FW - Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd		13TH	
LC - Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd	AS - Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC		MAY 2026	
EB - Eastern Brokers Ltd	JK - John Keells PLC		9.00am	BOP1A
CTB - Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC	MB - Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt)Ltd		9.00am	Off Grade
			10.00am	Ex-Estate
			2.30pm	Dust

DETAILS OF AWAITING SALE

SALE NO : 19

Scheduled for 19TH/20TH MAY 2026

	LOTS	QUANTITY
ExEstate	1,051	1,111,001
High & Medium	1,849	919,897
Leafy	2,269	900,860
Semi Leafy	1,695	720,555
Tippy	2,095	1,017,982
Premium Flowery	278	39,530
OffGrades	2,278	1,206,502
Dust	673	645,768
Total	12,188	6,562,095
RePrint	672	372,710

26/05/2026

Buyers Prompt

27/05/2026

Sellers Prompt

**This sale last year
Sale No. 19 | 20TH/21ST MAY 2025**

Lots :12,438
Re-print Lots :285
Quantity :7,012,614 kgs
Re-print Quantity :161,526 kgs

LOW GROWN CATALOGUES

Violations Excluded

30/04/2026

LEAFY Closed	SEMI-LEAFY Closed	TIPPY Closed
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OTHER MAIN SALE CATALOGUES

30/04/2026

HIGH & MEDIUM Closed	PREMIUM FLOWERY Closed	OFF GRADES Closed
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NO .OF PKGS

170,644

CTC

12,282 Pkgs - 632,129 kgs

CATALOGUE CLOSURE DETAILS

19/20

MAY 2026

Sale No. 19

The Ex-Estate catalogue closed on 30th April 2026, excluding violations. The Main Sale catalogues too closed on 30th April 2026, excluding violations.

25/26

MAY 2026

Sale No. 20

The Ex-Estate and Main Sale catalogues are scheduled to close on 07th May 2026.

02/03

JUNE 2026

Sale No. 21

The Ex-Estate and Main Sale catalogues are scheduled to close on 14th May 2026.

TEA MARKETS AROUND THE WORLD

MOMBASA AUCTION

04TH AND 05TH MAY 2026 (SALE NO.18)

Less general demand for the 168,131 packages (11,253,141.00 kilos) available in the market; 31.85% remained unsold.

MARKETS

Pakistan Packers were active with maintained interest at lower levels from Yemen and other Middle Eastern countries. Kazakhstan and other CIS states lent more support with less activity from Bazaar and Afghanistan. Egyptian Packers were active at lower rates while UK were selective. Russia maintained enquiry with South Sudan active; Local Packers were quiet. Somalia were active at the lower end of the market.

OFFERINGS

Orthodox Grades - 3,460 packages (122,154.00 kilos) - 69.65% unsold.

Leaf Grades - 91,480 packages (6,095,995.00 kilos) - 44.38% unsold.

Dust Grades - 54,480 packages (4,076,574.00 kilos) - 16.74% unsold.

Secondary Grades - 18,711 packages (958,438.00 kilos) - 7.59% unsold.

LEAF GRADES (M2 & M3)

BP1:

Best - Steady to dearer by up to USC35 with some teas substantially gaining by USC84 to easier by up to USC24.

Brighter - Irregularly dearer by up to USC25 but some lines were discounted by up to USC16.

Mediums - KTDA mediums met more irregular interest varying between firm to USC39 dearer to easier by up to USC24. Plantation mediums saw some good enquiry ranging between USC3 dearer to easier by up to USC14.

Lower Medium - Irregularly shed by up to USC21.

Plainer - Were firm with good sorts easier by up to USC11.

PF1:

Best - Firm to USC10 dearer to easier by up to USC11.

Brighter - Steady to easier by up to USC4.

Mediums - KTDA mediums were easier by up to USC16 while plantation mediums irregularly shed by up to USC6.

Lower Medium - Were discounted by up to USC14.

Plainer - Steady to USC14 above previous levels.

CTC QUOTATIONS	BP1 - USC	PF1 - USC
<i>Best</i>	258 - 420	290 - 346
<i>Good</i>	250 - 336	270 - 317
<i>Good Medium</i>	245 - 308	270 - 288
<i>Medium (KTDA)</i>	170 - 210	225 - 268
<i>Medium (Plantations)</i>	165 - 207	170 - 226
<i>Lower Medium</i>	143 - 172	150 - 221
<i>Plainer</i>	102 - 156	100 - 158

DUST GRADES (M1)

PDUST:

Best - Saw irregular enquiry ranging between USC8 above previous levels to USC15 easier.

Brighter - Select teas saw steady tendencies with others mostly easier by up to USC12.

Mediums - KTDA mediums shed by up to USC10 while plantation mediums saw improved absorption gaining by up to USC10.

Lower Medium - Irregular support at mostly steady levels with some teas selectively advancing by up to USC7 while others lost by up to USC4.

Plainer - Met improved interest appreciating by up to USC17.

DUST1:

Best - Were mostly easier by up to USC12.

Brighter - Steady to USC3 above previous levels to irregularly easier by up to USC10.

Mediums - KTDA mediums irregular varied between steady to USC8 dearer to easier by up to USC7 with plantation mediums advancing by up to USC13.

Lower Medium - Firm to USC5 dearer.

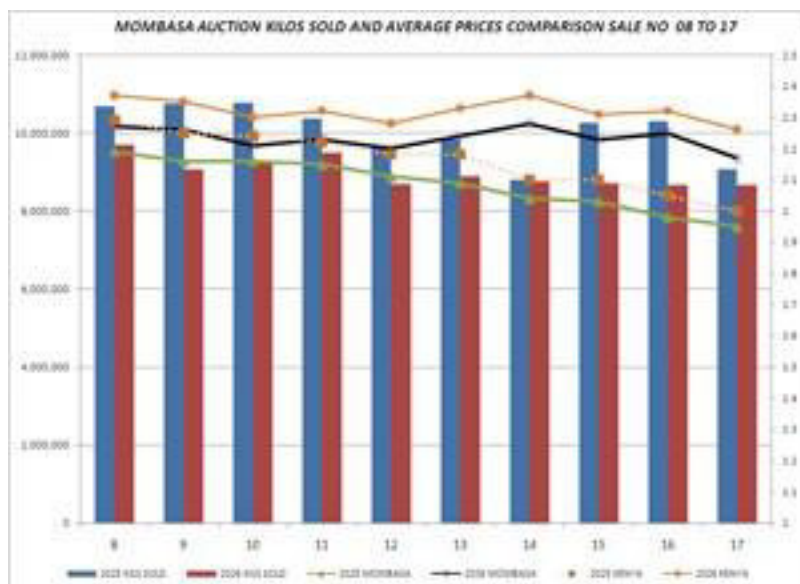
Plainer - Saw strong enquiry and were dearer by up to USC12 but select invoices were up to USC6 below last levels.

CTC QUOTATIONS	PDUST - USC	DUST1 - USC
<i>Best</i>	260 - 334	275 - 360
<i>Good</i>	256 - 300	255 - 301
<i>Good Medium</i>	215 - 270	257 - 288
<i>Medium (KTDA)</i>	190 - 226	180 - 263
<i>Medium (Plantations)</i>	195 - 218	175 - 199
<i>Lower Medium</i>	162 - 190	161 - 174
<i>Plainer</i>	115 - 162	114 - 154

SECONDARY GRADES (S1)

In the Secondary Catalogues, BPs advanced with best PFs selling above last levels while others held value. Clean well sorted coloury Fannings were barely steady while similar DUSTs held firm. Other Fannings were dearer with DUSTs appreciating. BMFs were readily absorbed.

SECONDARY QUOTATIONS (USC)	BP/BP2	PF/PE2	FNGSI/FNGS	DUST/DUST2	BMF
Best/Good	252 - 339	210 - 293	170 - 248	142 - 299	-
Good Medium/Medium	-	-	135 - 192	140 - 192	-
Lower Medium	130 - 184	130 - 171	112 - 174	114 - 160	100 - 109
Plainer	090 - 111	087 - 121	080 - 118	086 - 130	080 - 098



Courtesy - Africa Tea Brokers Limited.

BANGLADESH AUCTION

04TH MAY 2026 (SALE NO.02)

CTC LEAF: 19,514 packages of tea on offer met with a strong demand.

BROKENS: Black, well made, good liquoring BOPs continued to meet with a strong market and were fully firm on last. GBOPs were again a strong feature but eased slightly in price. Other varieties met with a good market and could be quoted between Tk. 270/- and Tk. 280/-. BLF teas sold well at higher rates.

FANNINGS: Black, well made, good liquoring Fannings met with a strong demand but were slightly easier. Below best were a good market and were fully firm. BLF teas sold well at higher rates.

DUST: 4,622 packages of tea on offer met with a very strong demand. Well made good liquoring Dusts were a strong market and were dearer by Tk. 3/- to Tk.5/- closely following quality. Remainder also sold well in line with quality with hardly any withdrawals. Blenders lent strong support with fair interest from the Loose tea buyers.

COMMENTS: Black, well made varieties continued to be a strong feature of the sale. However, prices were slightly lower. All others met with a slightly improved demand and were fully firm to slightly dearer following competition. Blenders operated in more strength whilst Loose tea buyers were a little less active. A few Old Season (2025-2026) teas on offer were mostly withdrawn without bids.

Dusts were a dearer market.

Our Catalogue: (Sale 2) Avg : Tk 293.28, Sold 82.03% , (Sale 1) Avg : Tk 283.26, Sold 97.63% ,

Courtesy - NATIONAL BROKERS LIMITED

	Brokens	Fannings	Dust
Best	320-340	320-340	310-333
Good	300-320	300-320	228-341
Medium	NQTA	NQTA	241-360
Plain	NQTA	NQTA	180-430
BLF	225-235	225-235	180-247

Courtesy - National Brokers Limited.

TEA MARKETS AROUND THE WORLD

COONOOR AUCTION

02ND MAY 2026 (SALE NO.18)

CTC LEAF

MARKET: - The total CTC leaf teas sold this week was 72.67 % (1131881.91kgs) of the total offering of 1557601.51Kgs.

DEMAND: - Market met with fair demand for the good teas and selective for the others compared to last however it started depleting with progress of the sale.

MARKET: - The best category teas eased by Rs 2 to 5 in general with select few invoices fetching firm to dearer prices. Good teas larger & medium broken were barely steady whilst the smaller broken and fanning grades sold substantially easier. Better medium and medium teas all sorts shed Rs 2 to 4. However, with progress of the sale saw limited demand and a sizeable quantum of teas remained unsold with want of bids. Medium and plainer teas also declined by Rs 2 to 4 or more.

BUYING PATTERN: - Coastal Karnataka and Western India packers continued to remain choosy, with major blenders were the mainstay of the market, absorbing 60.12 % of the total CTC leaf sold. Up country buyers and local traders were very choosy. Exporters were fairly active on the medium and plainer type, especially on the larger & medium broken.

ORTHODOX LEAF

DEMAND: - Selective demand.

MARKET: - Whole leaf grades on the high grown sold easier whilst the other whole leaf too easier by up to Rs 3. Broken grades in high grown eased substantially whilst others were easier by Rs 1 to 3. Fanning sold easier by Rs 3 to 5.

BUYING PATTERN: - Up-country operated selectively whilst the exporters to Russia and other CIS origin were selective across the range of teas on offer.

CTC DUST

CTC Dust offered this week was 496675.07Kgs of which 64.53% (320486.57Kgs) were sold

DEMAND: - Fair demand for the best whilst others met with subdued demand.

MARKET: - Best liquoring dust sold at irregularly easier. Good category dust sold at barely steady levels. Better medium at the top end sold firm whilst the lower end eased by Rs 2 to 3, medium and plainer category teas declined by Rs 2 to 4 with a fair quantum of teas remaining un sold.

BUYING PATTERN: - Coastal Karnataka and local packers were very choosy. Major blenders selective. Regional packers quiet this week. Upcountry buyers were selective on the medium and plainer teas at easier levels. Exporters fair support on the medium & plainer types but at lower levels.

ORTHODOX DUST

DEMAND: - Subdued.

MARKET: - High grown & the other primary dust sold easier with few select invoices fetching dearer prices on competition. Secondary dust sold at barely steady to easier prices.

BUYING PATTERN: - Up-country and local buyer were very choosy on the primary dust. Exporters continued to be selective on the secondary dust.

Courtesy - J.Thomas & Co. Pvt. Ltd.

TEA MARKETS AROUND THE WORLD

KOLKATA AUCTION

05TH MAY 2026 (SALE NO.19)

	2026	2025	DIFFERENCE
CTC	22,197	29,783	-7,586
ORTHODOX	30,065	41,268	-11,203
DUST	11,739	12,234	-495

KOLKATA SALE CTC MARKET

MARKET REPORT:

Market opened to good demand. All sorts tending easier following quality.

BUYING PATTERN:

Western India: Mainstay

HUL: Active

TCPL: Selective

Other local and Int: Selective

KOLKATA SALE ORTHODOX MARKET

MARKET REPORT:

Market opened to strong demand. Well made Whole Leaf and Broken selling at firm to occasionally dearer rates. Remainder Whole Leaf and Broken are selling around last levels.

Cleaner Secondaries are irregular while leafier fannings are selling firm around last.

BUYING PATTERN:

Middle East : Active

CIS: Good Support

Courtesy - J Thomas & Company Private Limited

COCHIN AUCTION

05TH MAY 2026 (SALE NO.19)

	2026	2025 kgs
ORX DUST	5104	8300
CTC DUST	679128	914568
Total	684232	922868

COCHIN DUST

DEMAND: Good enquiry.

MARKET: Popular and good liquoring sorts sold barely steady to easier by Rs.1/- to 2/- at times more in line with quality. Mediums also followed a similar trend and sold at irregular levels. Plainer sorts witnessed less demand and tended easier with fair withdrawals especially browner types.

BUYERS: AVT continued be to the mainstay of the market with some support from Devgiri on SRD grade. HUL showed improved interest on Medium and Plainer types. KSCSC fair enquiry. TCPL limited. Some local demand. Exporters operated at lower levels. Indcoserve absent.

Courtesy -J.T. COCHIN

TEA MARKETS AROUND THE WORLD

SILIGURI AUCTION

6th MAY 2026

	2026-2027	2025-2026	DIFFERENCE
CTC	54,470	76,196	-21,726
DARJEELING	-	-	-
GREEN	-	-	-
DUST	5,523	8,144	-2,621
TOTAL	59,993	84,340	-24,347

CTC LEAF MARKET REPORT

STAC OFFERINGS IN PACKAGES (SALE NO 19)

DEMAND / MARKET DETAILS: Market opened to good demand. Good and Best sorts are irregular around last. Medium and Plainer teas are following a similar trend.

BUYING PATTERN:

Internal / Local Packeteers : Mainstay

GGL/TCPL/ HUL: Selective so far

WI : Good Support

Courtesy -J. THOMAS & CO. PVT. LTD, SILIGURI

MALAWI AUCTION

06TH MAY 2026 (SALE NO.18)

LIMBE MARKET REPORT

There was good demand at irregular rates for the 3880 packages on offer.

BP1 were generally firm on last.

PF1/PD held firm.

D1 were firm to dearer

PF1SC sold at irregular rates following quality.

Secondary fngs sold at irregular rates where sold, respective dusts were neglected.

Courtesy-TEA BROKERS CENTRAL AFRICA LIMITED

GUWAHATI AUCTION

05TH MAY 2026 (SALE NO.19)

Guwahati Opening CTC Market Report

Market:

There is fair demand at steady to easier rates following quality. (CBPL running at 62%).

Buying Pattern:

Western India, North India, exporters operating. HUL selective so far.

Courtesy- ASSOCIATED BROKERS PVT. LTD