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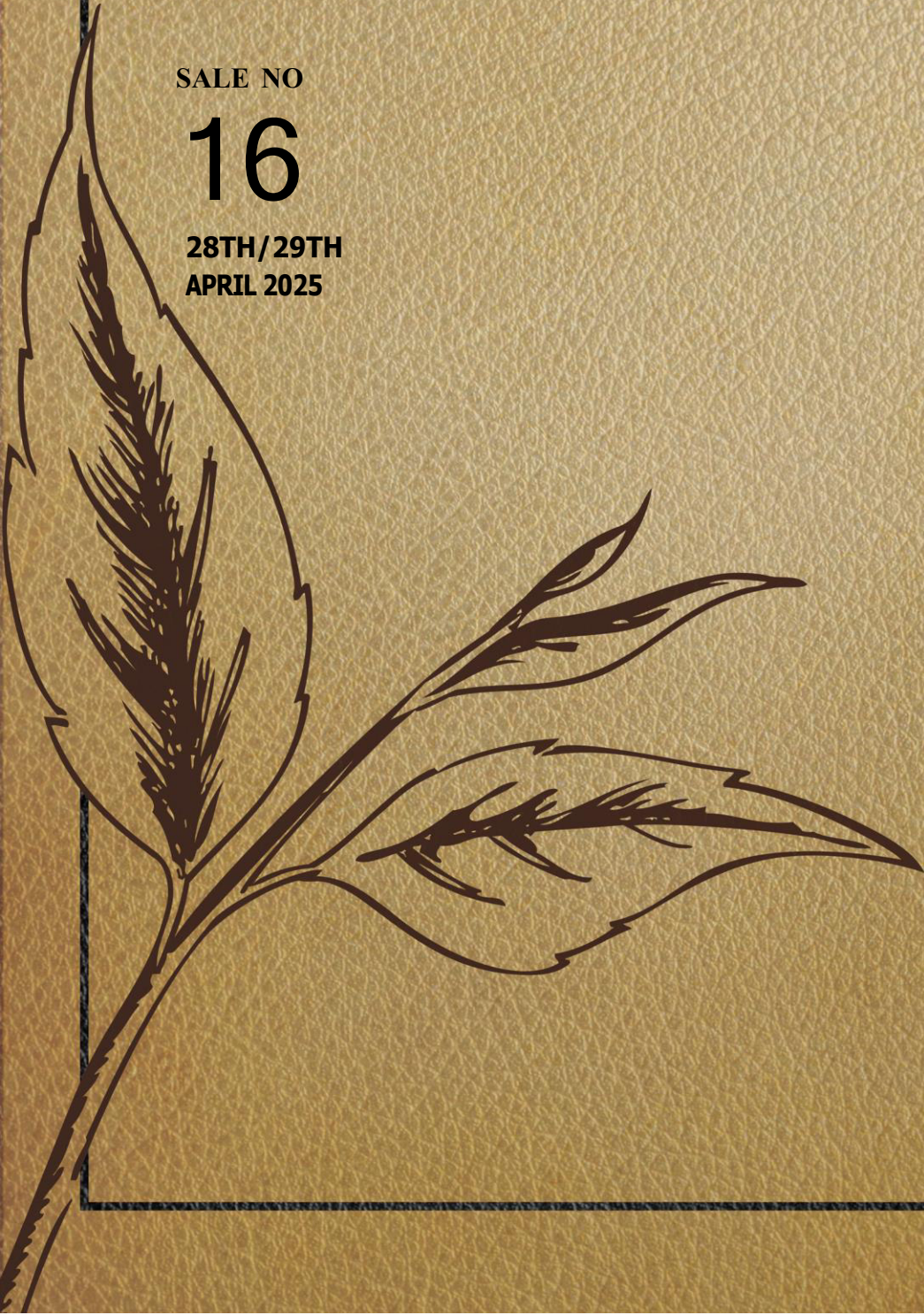
FORBES & WALKER TEA BROKERS PVT LTD

WEEKLY TEA MARKET REPORT

SALE NO

16

**28TH/29TH
APRIL 2025**



Overall Market

	QTY (M/KGS)	DEMAND
Ex Estate	0.95	Less
High & Medium	1.02	Fair
Leafy	0.91	Fair
Semi Leafy	0.74	Fair
Tippy/Small Leaf	0.98	Fair
Premium Flowery	0.06	Fair
Off Grade	1.20	Irregular
Dust	0.57	Less
Total	6.45	Fair General

ORDER OF SALE

SALE NO : 16

28TH/29TH APRIL 2025

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

AUCTION DETAILS

AT THIS WEEK'S SALE 12,522 LOTS TOTALLING 6,446,029 KGS WERE ON OFFER. THE BREAKDOWN IS AS FOLLOWS:

	LOTS	QUANTITY
Ex Estate	944	949,861
Main Sale - High & Medium	2,112	1,024,630
Low Grown - Leafy	2,317	914,475
Low Grown - Semi Leafy	1,709	1,709
Low Grown - Tippy	2,071	978,292
Premium Flowery	372	58,120
Off Grades	2,366	1,204,279
Dust	631	572,772
Total	12,522	6,446,029
Re - Prints	1,013	479,057

SETTLEMENT DATES

02/05/2025 05/05/2025 06/05/2025

10% Payment

Buyers Prompt

Sellers Prompt

Quality

Overall, barely maintained.

COMMENTS

Total auction offerings crossed the 6.0 M/Kgs mark and totalled a 6.45 M/Kgs this week. The highest quantity on offer since Sale No. 5 of 5 February 2025 (6.5 M/Kgs). Overall, a firm to easier trend in prices with the liquoring Small Leaf teas discounted by a higher margin.

Ex-Estate offerings increased to 0.95 M/Kgs. Overall quality was mostly lower to last.

Best Western BOP/BOPF's - Select high-priced teas declined by Rs. 100 per kg and more, whilst the others declined to a lesser extent. In the Below Best category, BOP's were firm and up to Rs. 50 per kg easier, whilst the corresponding BOPF's declined by Rs. 50 per kg and more following quality. At the lower end, BOP's were irregular with some correction in prices observed, whilst the corresponding BOPF's declined by Rs. 50 per kg and more following quality. Nuwara Eliya BOP's were mostly unsold and where sold, declined by up to Rs. 200 per kg. Corresponding BOPF's sold at firm to dearer rates. Uda Pussellawa BOP's were firm and Rs. 20-30 per kg easier, whilst the Uva BOP's declined by up to Rs. 50 per kg. Corresponding BOPF's - Uda Pussellawa's declined by Rs. 50-70 per kg, whilst the Uva's declined by Rs. 20-40 per kg.

High Grown CTC - BP1's had hardly any offerings, whilst the PF1's declined by up to Rs. 50 per kg. Medium Grown CTC's were irregular though reasonable steady, whilst the Low Grown were firm and tended dearer for the PF1's.

Low Grown comprised of 2.6 M/Kgs. All categories met with fair demand.

In the Leafy and Semi-Leafy catalogues, Select Best and Best BOP1's were firm, whilst the balance together with the bolder varieties were irregularly easier. Well-made OP1's were easier, whilst the balance appreciated. A few high-priced OP's were dearer, whilst the balance sold around last levels. Select Best OPA's declined, whilst the balance were firm. However, teas at the bottom appreciated. PEK/PEK1's, in general, were firm.

In the Tippy catalogue, high-priced FBOP's were easier, whilst the Best together with the Below Best varieties were firm. Teas at the bottom appreciated. However, the bolder varieties declined. FF1's, in general, were firm.

In the Premium catalogue, a selection of Very Tippy teas were firm, whilst the Best and cleaner Below Best were firm to easier. The balance declined.

NOTE

Next week's Auction (Sale No. 17) is scheduled for Monday, 05 May and Wednesday, 07 May 2025

World Tea News

Kenya's tea industry generated US\$1.93 B in 2024

Kenya's tea production saw a notable increase in 2024, rising to 598 million kilograms, up from 570 million kilograms in the previous year.

Tea exports contributed Kes 215 billion (US\$1.66B), while local sales accounted for Kes 18 billion (US\$139.26M). Additionally, Kes 18 billion came from committed tea sales.

Pakistan remains the largest importer of Kenyan tea, followed by Egypt, the U.K., and the U.A.E.

To address market challenges, factories were also encouraged to enhance tea quality, and directors were tasked with working closely with brokers to establish competitive pricing strategies.

To further strengthen the tea sector, the government pledged to review levies and taxes on tea, aiming to promote value addition industries. Financial assistance was also committed to help older factories upgrade their operations.

Source: Africa Business News (Extracts), Courtesy: Tea Exporters' Association Sri Lanka



CROP AND WEATHER

FOR THE PERIOD 22 - 28 April 2025

Western/Nuwara Eliya Regions



The Nuwara Eliya and Western regions reported bright mornings and evening showers. According to the Department of Meteorology, showers are expected in both regions in the week ahead.

Uva/Udapussellawa Regions



Bright mornings and evening showers were reported throughout the week in both regions. Heavy showers are expected in the Uda Pussellawa and Uva regions according to the Department of Meteorology.

Low Grown



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

Crop

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

HIGH GROWN TEAS

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

BOP

Best Western's - Teas in the higher price bracket declined by Rs. 50-100 per kg, whilst the others were firm and lower to a lesser extent. Tea in the Below Best category were firm and up to Rs. 50 per kg easier. Plainer sorts were irregular. Nuwara Eliya's were mostly unsold and where sold, were up to Rs. 200 per kg easier. Uda Pussellawa's were firm and Rs. 20-30 per kg easier. Uva's - A few select invoices gained by Rs. 100 per kg and more, whilst the others were up to Rs. 50 per kg easier.

BOPF

Best Western's - Select high-priced teas declined by Rs. 100-200 per kg, whilst the others declined by Rs. 50-100 per kg. Teas in the Below Best and Plainer categories declined by Rs. 50 per kg and more following quality. Nuwara Eliya's - A few select invoices sold at firm to dearer rates, whilst the others were difficult of sale. Uda Pussellawa's declined by Rs. 50-70 per kg. Uva's were Rs. 20-40 per kg lower.

OP/OPA

Select Best teas were dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg. Best and Below Best varieties declined by Rs. 40-60 per kg, whilst the poorer sorts were firm to dearer by Rs. 40 per kg.

PEKOE/PEKOE1

A few flavoury PEK's were firm, whilst the others were easier by Rs. 40-60 per kg, whilst the Orthodox Leafy PEK's were easier by a similar margin. Well-made PEK1 types which were firm to dearer by Rs. 30-50 per kg at the commencement of the sale, declined towards the closure by Rs. 50-70 per kg. Below Best and the others were discounted by Rs. 50-80 per kg and more at times. Best Rotovane PEK's gained by Rs. 20-40 per kg on select invoices, whilst the others were firm. Best and Below Best varieties declined by Rs. 50-100 per kg and more at times.

FBOP/FBOPF1

Flavoury FBOP's were firm to irregularly dearer by Rs. 40-60 per kg, whilst the Orthodox Leafy FBOP's were firm. FBOPF1's appreciated by Rs. 60-80 per kg and more at times, whilst the teas at the lower end were dearer by Rs. 40-60 per kg.

QUOTATIONS LKR SALE DTE	BOP		BOPF		PEKOE/FBOP		OP	
	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr
Best Westerns	1200-1340	1140 - 1300	1260-1550	1200 - 1380	1300-1650	1340 - 1650	1180-1320	1180 - 1400
Below Best Westerns	1000-1160	1000 - 1120	1140-1240	1100 - 1180	1160-1280	1180 - 1300	1120-1160	1100 - 1160
Plainer Westerns	850 - 960	850 - 960	940-1120	920 - 1080	940-1120	1000 - 1160	1100	980 - 1080
Nuwara Eliyas	N/A	1200 -	1400	1300 - 1400	1180-1700	1020 - 1750	1080	1160 - 1200
Brighter Uda Pussellawas	900 - 940	880 - 900	1020-1140	N/A	1300-1480	1350 - 1480	1120-1160	1120 - 1160
Other Uda Pussellawas	850	830 -	N/A	870 - 900	1080-1280	1000 - 1280	1100	1060 - 1100
Best Uvas	N/A	1240 -	1080-1180	1120 - 1200	1400-1700	1400 - 1650	1220-1400	1200 - 1360
Other Uvas	N/A	900 - 1000	960-1020	960 - 1000	980-1380	980 - 1380	1040-1180	1060 - 1180

MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

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

BOP	Large Leaf teas sold well at firm to dearer rates, whilst the others were irregular.
BOPF	Declined by up to Rs. 50 per kg.
OP/OPA	Well-made OP/OPA's were firm to easier by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the Below Best and the others were dearer by Rs. 40-60 per kg.
PEKOE/PEKOE1	PEK's were firm to easier by Rs. 40-60 per kg. Best and Below Best varieties were lower by Rs. 40-60 per kg, whilst the others and poorer sorts declined by Rs. 50-80 per kg.
FBOP/FBOPF1	Select Best FBOP's held firm, whilst the Best varieties were dearer by Rs. 50-70 per kg. Below Best types were firm to easier by Rs. 40-60 per kg. Better FF1's gained substantially, whilst the others appreciated by Rs. 50-70 per kg and more at times. Teas at the lower end were firm to dearer by Rs. 30-50 per kg.

QUOTATIONS LKR SALE DTE	BOP		BOPF		PEKOE/FBOP		OP	
	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr
Good Mediums	1140-1550	1100 - 1600	1080-1200	1020 - 1120	1500-1950	1500 - 1950	1220-1360	1200 - 1360
Other Mediums	820 - 920	830 - 940	730 - 980	780 - 940	960-1480	980 - 1480	790-1200	760 - 1180

UNORTHODOX / CTC TEAS

HIGH GROWN	BP1s - Hardly any offerings. PF1s - Declined by up to Rs. 50 per kg.
MEDIUM GROWN	BP1s - Select Best were firm and dearer, whilst the others were irregular. PF1s - Select Best were barely steady, whilst the others were irregular.
LOW GROWN	BP1s - Firm. PF1s - Firm and tended dearer.

QUOTATIONS LKR SALE DTE	BP1		PF1	
	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr
High Grown	N/A	N/A	870-1200	870 - 1160
Medium Grown	1120-1220	1060 -	1000-1200	1000 - 1160
Low Grown	1080-1120	1080 - 1200	1120-1600	1080 - 1550

OFF GRADES

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

FGS1/FGS

Teas in the Best category were lower to last by Rs. 20-40 per kg. Below Best varieties which were easier by Rs. 20-40 per kg at the commencement of the sale, declined further towards the latter part with certain invoices being unsellable at times. Teas at the lower end of the market declined by Rs. 30-50 per kg. Low Grown - Clean Tea varieties were firm on last, whilst the balance were dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg. CTC - Clean leaf varieties were firm to dearer, whilst the balance maintained.

BROKENS

In general, were firm to dearer.

BOP1A

Main Grade reducer varieties in the Best category together with the balance maintained around last week's levels. Below Best sorts were dearer by Rs. 20 per kg and more on occasion, whilst the poorer sorts gained by Rs. 20-30 per kg.

QUOTATIONS LKR

SALE DTE	HIGH		MEDIUM		LOW	
	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr
Better Fannings (Orthodox)	790-1160	800 - 1200	790-1020	810 - 960	760-890	770 - 900
Better Fannings (CTC)	810	830 -	880-920	840 - 890	790-1000	830 - 1220
Other Fannings (Orthodox)	680-780	700 - 790	670-780	670 - 800	600-730	640 - 760
Other Fannings (CTC)	N/A	N/A	750-790	750 - 810	700-780	700 - - 780
Good Brokens	860-1000	870 - 1080	850-1100	860 - 1100	820-1340	850 - 1280
Other Brokens	760-800	790 - 840	720-840	750 - 850	620-810	640 - 840
Better BOP1As	940-980	940 - 960	940-1000	940 - 1020	920-1280	940 - 1260
Other BOP1As	890-920	900 - 920	850-920	850 - 920	810-900	830 - 920

DUSTS

DUST1

Select Best Dust1's declined by Rs. 50 per kg. The Best and Below Best varieties met with substantially lower demands where prices dropped by Rs. 80-100 per kg and more at times. The poorer sorts declined by Rs. 40-50 per kg. Low Grown Best varieties were substantially lower by Rs. 100 per kg and more, whilst the others were easier by Rs. 40-60 per kg. Best High and Mid Grown CTC teas were lower by Rs. 40-60 per kg, whilst the Below Best varieties together with the poorer sorts followed a similar trend. Best Low Grown CTC teas were firm, whilst the others declined by Rs. 40-50 per kg.

DUST

Clean leaf secondaries were easier by Rs. 40-60 per kg, whilst the poorer sorts were dearer by Rs. 30-40 per kg. Low Grown varieties declined by Rs. 30-40 per kg.

QUOTATIONS LKR

SALE DTE	HIGH		MEDIUM		LOW	
	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr
Better Primary Dust (Orthodox)	1200-1650	1150 - 1750	1120-1180	1020 - 1100	1000-1180	950 - 1000
Better Primary Dust (CTC) P. Dust	1100	1040 - 1100	1140-1300	1100 - 1340	1180-1460	1140 - 420
Below Best Primary Dust (Orthodox)	1050-1180	1020 - 1140	920-1100	880 - 1000	830 - 980	780 - 940
Other Primary Dust (CTC) P. Dust	780-1080	820 - 1020	750-1120	720 - 1080	760-1150	800 - 1120
Other Primary Dust (Orthodox)	770-1040	720 - 1000	720 - 900	690 - 860	630 - 820	680 - 760
Better Secondary Dust	1040-1120	1000 - 1060	860 - 920	N/A	880-1060	850 - 920
Other Secondary Dust	700-1000	700 - 980	620 - 850	670 - 780	650 - 860	680 - 840

LOW GROWN TEAS

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

FBOP/FBOP1	High-priced FBOP's were easier. Best together with the Below Best varieties were firm. However, the bolder varieties declined, whilst the teas at the bottom appreciated. FBOP1's were firm, in general.
BOP	BOP's, in general, sold around last levels.
BOP1	Select Best and Best BOP1's were firm, whilst the balance together with the bolder varieties were irregularly easier.
OP1	Select Best and Best OP1's were easier, whilst the balance appreciated.
OP	A few high-priced OP's were dearer, whilst the balance sold around last levels.
OPA	Select Best OPA's declined, whilst the balance were firm. However, teas at the bottom appreciated.
PEKOE	PEK/PEK1's, in general, were firm.
BOPF	BOPF's, in general, were firm.
FBOPF/FBOPF1	A selection of Very Tippy teas were firm. Best and cleaner Below Best too were firm to easier, whilst the balance declined. FBOPF1's, in general, were firm.

QUOTATIONS LKR SALE DTE	SELECT BEST		BEST		BELOW BEST		OTHERS	
	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr	22/23 Apr	28/29 Apr
FBOP 1	1800-1950	1750 - 1950	1550-1600	1550 - 1600	1300-1350	1300 - 1350	1000-1100	1000 - 1100
FBOP	2200-2500	2100 - 2300	1600-1700	1650 - 1750	1300-1400	1350 - 1450	950-1050	1000 - 1100
BOP 1	2000-3000	2000 - 3150	1700-1950	1700 - 1950	1220-1380	1200 - 1360	850-1200	850 - 1180
BOP	1500-1900	1500 - 1900	1400-1450	1400 - 1450	1200-1300	1200 - 1300	900-1000	950 - 1000
BOPF	1200-1500	1200 - 1460	900-1000	900 - 1000	850-900	850 - 900	800-850	800 - 850
FBOPF (TIPPY)/FBOPF SP	4300-5200	4400 - 5300	4000-4200	4000 - 4200	2800-3500	2800 - 3500	1000	1000 -
FBOPF 1	1550-1700	1550 - 1700	1450-1500	1450 - 1500	1350-1400	1380 - 1400	950-1000	1000 - 1050
FBOPF	1600-2000	1500 - 2000	1450-1550	1400 - 1500	1350-1400	1300 - 1400	950-1000	950 - 1000
OP 1	2600-3200	2500 - 3200	2350-2550	2300 - 2450	1600-2250	1650 - 2200	900-1550	900 - 1600
OP	1400-1600	1400 - 1700	1260-1380	1280 - 1380	1180-1240	1180 - 1260	950-1160	950 - 1160
OPA	1320-1850	1300 - 1700	1200-1300	1180 - 1280	1100-1180	1080 - 1160	880-1080	880 - 1060
PEKOE	1480-2300	1480 - 2350	1300-1460	1300 - 1460	1180-1280	1180 - 1280	800-1160	800 - 1160
PEK 1	1650-2200	1650 - 2250	1400-1600	1400 - 1600	1280-1380	1280 - 1380	850-1260	850 - 1260

TOP PRICE

WESTERN MEDIUM			
Craighead	BOP	@	1600
Ancoombra	BOPSp		1380
Rilagala	BOPSp	@	1240
Doombagastalawa	BOPSp	@	1240
Uplands	BOPF/BOPFSp		1380
Craighead	BOP1	@	2100
Dartry Valley	BOP1	@	2050
Craighead	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1950
Doombagastalawa	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1950
Harangalla	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1950
Dartry Valley	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1850
New Rothschild	FBOP/FBOP1		1850
Windsorforest	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1650
Craighead	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1650
Harangalla	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1650
Dartry Valley	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1650
Ancoombra	FBOPF/FBOPF1		1650
Doombagastalawa	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1550
Ingurugala	OP/OPA		1360
Craighead	OP/OPA	@	1300
Harangalla	OP1	@	1500
New Baddegama Super	OP1		1500
Uplands	PEK/PEK1		2250
WESTERN HIGH			
Alton	BOP	@	1300
Wattegodde	BOP		1300
Dessford	BOPSp	@	1460
Queensberry	BOPSp	@	1420
Wanarajah	BOPSp	@	1360
Robgill	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1380
Inverness	BOP1		2050
Queensberry	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1650
Queensberry	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1420
Venture	OP/OPA		1400
Venture	OP1		1440
Bogahawatte	PEK/PEK1		1550
NUWARA ELIYAS			
Mahagastotte	BOP	@	1200
Kenmare	BOPSp	@	1000
Lovers Leap	BOPF/BOPFSp		1400
Mahagastotte	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1380
Kenmare	FBOP/FBOP	@	1750
Kenmare	OP/OPA		1200
Court Lodge	OP/OPA	@	1160

NUWARA ELIYAS			
Court Lodge	PEK/PEK1	@	1700
UDAPUSSELLAWAS			
Luckyland	BOP		900
Kirklees	BOP		900
Delmar	BOPSp	@	1180
Luckyland	BOPF/BOPFSp		1080
Maha Uva	BOP1	@	1460
Blairlomond	BOP1	@	1320
Maha Uva	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1500
Delmar	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1480
Blairlomond	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1360
Delmar	FBOPF/FBOPF1		1420
Blairlomond	OP/OPA	@	1200
Maha Uva	OP/OPA	@	1180
Delmar	OP/OPA	@	1160
Maha Uva	OP1	@	1400
Delmar	OP1	@	1360
Maha Uva	PEK/PEK1	@	1400
LOW GROWNS			
Mulatiyana Hills	BOP		2300
Kamarangapitiya	BOPSp	@	2200
Sithaka	BOPF		1460
Hidellana	BOPF	@	1440
Dellawa	BOPF	@	1380
Rajjuruwatta Super	BOPFSp		2350
Sithaka	FBOP		2350
Kiruwanaganga	FBOP	@	2250
Gunawardena	FBOP	@	2250
Galatara	FBOP		2250
Hidellana	FBOP		2250
Ganganee	FBOP1		1950
Greenwin Super	FBOP1		1950
Sithaka	FBOP1		1950
Katanwila	FBOPF		2550
Sineth	FBOPF1		2100
Pothotuwa	BOP1	@	3150
Dampahala	OP1		3200
Berubeula	OP		1700
Miriswatta	OPA		1700
Lyonta	PEK		2350
Dampahala	PEK1		2250
Stream Line	PEK1		2250
New Laksakanda	PEK1		2250

UVA MEDIUM			
Roseland Uva	BOP		1440
Dickwella	BOPSp	@	1260
Haputale Super	BOPSp	@	1260
Uva Samovar	BOPSp	@	1220
Hindagala	BOPSp		1220
Glen Alpin	BOPSp		1220
Dickwella	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1440
El Teb	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1200
Dickwella	BOP1	@	1800
Misty-Uva	BOP1	@	1550
Sarnia Plaiderie	BOP1		1550
Dickwella	FBOP/FBOP1		1750
Dickwella	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1650
Roseland Uva	FBOPF/FBOPF1		1550
Glen Alpin	OP/OPA		1340
Rathkelle-Uva	OP/OPA	@	1300
Dickwella	OP1		1550
Wewesse	OP1		1550
Sarnia Plaiderie	PEK/PEK1		1600
Misty-Uva	PEK/PEK1	@	1550
Dickwella	PEK/PEK1	@	1500
UVA HIGH			
Nayabedde	BOP	@	1240
Spring Valley	BOPSp	@	1380
Nayabedde	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1080
Bandaraeliya	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1080
Kelliebedde	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1000
Pitaratmalie	BOPF/BOPFSp		1000
Uva Highlands	BOP1		1550
Gonamotawa	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1650
Uva Highlands	FBOPF/FBOPF1		1500
Ellathota Uva	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1480
Spring Valley	OP/OPA	@	1360

UVA HIGH			
Ranaya	OP1		1600
Craig	PEK/PEK1		1550
UNORTHODOX HIGH			
Dunsinane CTC	PF1	@	1160
Mount Vernon CTC	BPS	@	900
UNORTHODOX MEDIUM			
Rothschild CTC	PF1		1160
New Peacock CTC	BP1	@	1220
Aultmore CTC	BPS	@	950
UNORTHODOX LOW			
Hingalgoda CTC	PF1		1550
Kalubowitiyana CTC	BP1	@	1200
Ross Feld CTC	BPS		780
PREMIUM FLOWERY			
Kurunduwatta	FBOPFSp		4350
Fortune	FBOPFSp	@	4300
New Hopewell	FBOPFSp		4300
Moragalla 'A1'	FBOPFSp	@	4200
Ivy Hills	FBOPFExSp		5700
Fortune	FBOPFExSp	@	5450
Lihiniyawa	FBOPFExSp1		5500
DUSTS			
Mattakelle	DUST1		1750
Kalubowitiyana CTC	PD	@	1420
Ceciliyan CTC	PD		1420
Hingalgoda CTC	PD		1420
OFF GRADES			
Wanarajah	FGS/FGS1	@	1200
Holyrood	FGS/FGS1	@	1180
Hingalgoda CTC	PF		1220
Bogoda	BM		1120
Uplands	BM		1100
Chandrika Estate	BM	@	1060
Falcon Lanka	BP		1280
Chandrika Estate	BOP1A		1260

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

QUANTITY SOLD

DURING THE PERIOD 21ST-26TH APRIL 2025	WEEKLY (KGS)		TODATE (KGS)	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
PRIVATE SALES	229,241	116,397	3,440,308	1,415,481
PUBLIC AUCTION	5,173,236	4,450,126	71,521,131	69,451,163
FORWARD CONTRACTS	57,520	40,125	964,336	309,405
DIRECT SALES	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
TOTAL	5,459,997	4,606,648	75,925,775	71,176,049
BMF EXCLUDED FROM PRIVATE SALE	63,800	57,900	708,891	506,941

(QUANTITY SOLD AND THE AVERAGE PRICE PER AUCTION)

	Quantity (M/kgs)			AVG Price (LKR)			Avg Price (USD)		
	2025	2024	2023	2025	2024	2023	2025	2024	2023
08TH APRIL 2025	4.29	4.43	4.67	1163.91	1234.61	1262.41	3.97	4.18	3.99
23RD APRIL 2025	5.17	4.45	4.65	1193.47	1228.37	1259.69	4.04	4.16	4.03

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka / Buying Rates

RATES OF EXCHANGE

SRI LANKA RUPEE APPROX PER UNIT OF CURRENCY

YEAR	2025	2024	2023
USD	295.39	297	313.26
STG.PD	391.03	366.25	390.76
EURO	333.44	315.26	345.79
YEN	2.04	1.91	2.32

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka / Buying Rates

PUBLIC AUCTION/GROSS SALES AVERAGE

SALE NO 15 22ND/ 23RD APRIL 2025	WEEKLY(LKR)			TODATE (LKR)			WEEKLY(USD)			TODATE(USD)		
	2025	2024	2023	2025	2024	2023	2025	2024	2023	2025	2024	2023
Uva High Grown	1082.41	1128.06	1149.77	1060.11	1117.99	1211.22	3.67	3.82	3.67	3.60	3.62	3.50
Western High Grown	1126.51	1229.42	1283.61	1152.34	1201.89	1425.63	3.82	4.16	4.10	3.91	3.90	4.12
CTC High Grown	1101.44	1191.10	1170.25	1103.59	1129.13	1244.05	3.73	4.03	3.74	3.74	3.66	3.60
High Grown (Summary)	1109.95	1189.42	1241.69	1125.47	1179.48	1367.33	3.76	4.03	3.97	3.82	3.82	3.95
Uva Medium Grown	1113.45	1133.78	1139.67	1092.76	1164.30	1196.02	3.77	3.84	3.64	3.71	3.77	3.46
Western Medium Grown	1044.93	1035.32	1059.64	1036.90	1114.14	1176.40	3.54	3.51	3.39	3.52	3.61	3.40
CTC Medium Grown	999.91	967.76	1095.76	965.44	970.19	1127.13	3.39	3.28	3.50	3.27	3.14	3.26
Medium Grown (Summary)	1068.42	1069.40	1085.04	1053.73	1128.87	1182.27	3.62	3.62	3.47	3.57	3.66	3.42
Orthodox Low Grown	1274.60	1325.12	1330.79	1269.15	1410.40	1469.84	4.32	4.49	4.25	4.30	4.57	4.25
CTC Low Grown	1008.86	964.33	995.90	975.07	1041.63	1026.06	3.42	3.27	3.18	3.31	3.38	2.97
Low Grown(Summary)	1263.83	1300.06	1309.91	1255.99	1384.93	1444.99	4.28	4.40	4.19	4.26	4.49	4.18
Total	1193.47	1228.37	1259.69	1196.22	1299.60	1389.08	4.04	4.16	4.03	4.06	4.21	4.02

Source: Oanda Exchange Rates

Source: MSL - Averages

WORLD TEA PRODUCTION (M/KGS)

	2023	2024	2025	TODATE			DIFFERENCE +/-	
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023 vs 2024	2024 vs 2025
Mar								
Sri Lanka	22.3	19.6	24.4	59.5	58.3	61.8	-1.2	3.5

	2023	2024	2025	TODATE			DIFFERENCE +/-	
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023 vs 2024	2024 vs 2025
Feb								
North India	3.2	1.9	10.9	3.2	2.3	11	-0.9	8.7
South India	13.3	15.1	14.8	26.9	32.1	31.8	5.2	-0.3

	2023	2024	2025	TODATE			DIFFERENCE +/-	
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023 vs 2024	2024 vs 2025
Jan								
Kenya	54.9	58.9	54.4	54.9	58.9	54.4	4	-4.5
Malawi	6.4	7.2	5.3	6.4	7.2	5.3	0.8	-1.9

	2022	2023	2024	TODATE			DIFFERENCE +/-	
	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024	2022 vs 2023	2023 vs 2024
Dec								
Bangladesh	7.8	7.8	6.4	93.8	102.9	93	9.1	-9.9

DETAILS OF AWAITING SALE

SALE NO : 17

Scheduled for 05TH/07TH MAY 2025

	LOTS	QUANTITY
ExEstate	918	923,310
High & Medium	2,246	1,068,542
Leafy	2,072	836,181
Semi Leafy	1,690	729,250
Tippy	1,960	937,606
Premium Flowery	335	50,543
OffGrades	2,581	1,316,962
Dust	619	547,546
Total	12,421	6,409,940
RePrint	821	427,296

14/05/2025

Buyers Prompt

15/05/2025

Sellers Prompt

This sale last year
Sale No. 17 | 29TH/30TH APRIL 2024

Lots :10,749
Re-print Lots :872
Quantity :5,261,621 kgs
Re-print Quantity :410,920 kgs

LOW GROWN CATALOGUES

Violations Excluded

10/04/2025

LEAFY
Closed

SEMI-LEAFY
Closed

TIPPY
Closed

OTHER MAIN SALE CATALOGUES

10/04/2025

HIGH & MEDIUM
Closed

PREMIUM FLOWERY
Closed

OFF GRADES
Closed

NO .OF PKGS
170,971

CTC
9,890 Pkgs - 534,196 kgs

ORDER OF SALE

Approx Selling time of
F&W Catalogues

05TH

MAY 2025

Ex-Estate	LG Large Leaf//Semi Leafy/LG Small Leaf/BOP1A/ Premium	High & Medium/Off Grade /Dust
JK	CTB	BC
BC	AS	AS
CTB	EB	LC
LC	FW	MB
AS	MB	FW
FW	BC	EB
MB	LC	JK
EB	JK	CTB

10.30am	Semi - Leafy Teas
11.30am	Low Grown - Leafy Teas
12.00pm	Low Grown - Tippy Teas
12.30pm	Main Sale - High & Medium
5.00pm	Premium Flowery

07TH

MAY 2025

9.00am	Off Grade
9.30am	BOP1A
10.45am	Ex-Estate
1.30pm	Dust

BC - Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd	FW - Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
LC - Lanka Commodity Brokers Ltd	AS - Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC
EB - Eastern Brokers Ltd	JK - John Keells PLC
CTB - Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC	MB - Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt)Ltd

DETAILS OF AWAITING SALE

SALE NO : 18
Scheduled for 14TH MAY 2025

	LOTS	QUANTITY
ExEstate	951	975,658
High & Medium	1,141	574,611
Leafy	2,071	837,626
Semi Leafy	1,316	587,904
Tippy	1,312	653,226
Premium Flowery	248	43,647
OffGrades	1,527	795,038
Dust	663	653,403
Total	9,229	5,121,113
RePrint	654	330,386

20/05/2025

Buyers Prompt

21/05/2025

Sellers Prompt

This sale last year
Sale No. 18 | 07TH/08TH MAY 2024

Lots	:9,832
Re-print Lots	:737
Quantity	:4,911,849 kgs
Re-print Quantity	:321,954 kgs

LOW GROWN CATALOGUES

Violations Excluded

24/04/2025

LEAFY	SEMI-LEAFY	TIPPY
Closed	Closed	Closed

OTHER MAIN SALE CATALOGUES

24/04/2025

HIGH & MEDIUM	PREMIUM FLOWERY	OFF GRADES
Closed	Closed	Closed

NO .OF PKGS
134,397

CTC
9,759 Pkgs - 537,557 kgs

CATALOGUE CLOSURE DETAILS

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MAY 2025

Sale No. 18

The Ex-Estate catalogue closed on 24th April 2025, excluding violations. The Main Sale catalogues too closed on 24th April 2025, excluding violations.

20/21

MAY 2025

Sale No. 19

The Ex-Estate and Main Sale catalogues are scheduled to close on 02nd May 2025.

27/28

MAY 2025

Sale No. 20

The Ex-Estate and Main Sale catalogues are scheduled to close on 08th May 2025.

TEA MARKETS AROUND THE WORLD

MOMBASA AUCTION

22ND AND 23RD APRIL 2025 (SALE NO.16)

Good general demand prevailed for the 201,179 packages (13,604,745.00 kilos) on offer; 28.08% remained unsold.

MARKETS

Pakistan Packers, Yemen and other Middle Eastern countries were active at lower levels with improved enquiry from Bazaar. Kazakhstan, other CIS states and Afghanistan maintained support with less interest from Egyptian Packers. UK were steady with some support from Russia. Sudan were absent while South Sudan showed less participation. Local Packers were less active with Somalia holding support at the lower end of the market.

OFFERINGS

Leaf Grades - 108,200 packages (7,091,805.00 kilos) - 23.46% unsold.

Dust Grades - 72,660 packages (5,443,880.00 kilos) - 36.88% unsold.

Secondary Grades - 20,319 packages (1,069,060.00 kilos) - 21.26% unsold.

LEAF GRADES (M2 & M3)

BP1:

Best - Mostly dearer by up to USC36 but some lines saw easier tendencies and shed up to USC8.

Brighter - Saw irregular absorption and were up to USC47 above previous levels to easier by up to a similar margin.

Mediums - KTDA mediums gained up to USC19 with some invoices USC47 dearer to easier by up to USC10. Plantation mediums appreciated by up to USC21 but some lines lost by up to USC11.

Lower Medium - More but irregular interest at steady to USC17 above previous levels to easier by up to USC12.

Plainer - Were discounted by up to USC16.

PF1:

Best - Irregular and varied between firm to mostly dearer by up to USC26 to easier by up to USC10.

Brighter - Advanced by up to USC10 with select invoices up to USC3 below last levels.

Mediums - KTDA mediums were irregular and ranged between USC13 dearer to easier by up to USC10. Plantation mediums shed up to USC17.

Lower Medium - Mostly easier by up to USC15 but select teas gained by up to USC5.

Plainer - Ranged between USC9 dearer to easier by up to USC12.

CTC QUOTATIONS	BP1 - USC	PF1 - USC
Best	225 - 334	292 - 438
Good	230 - 303	271 - 336
Good Medium	200 - 288	225 - 312
Medium (KTDA)	122 - 179	140 - 262
Medium (Plantations)	138 - 176	135 - 179
Lower Medium	120 - 156	115 - 145
Plainer	098 - 125	085 - 121

DUST GRADES (M1)

PDUST:

Best - Met irregular interest and ranged between USC30 dearer to easier by up to USC11.

Brighter - Irregularly lost up to USC11.

Mediums - KTDA mediums saw irregular interest and varied between firm to USC11 dearer to easier by a similar margin. Plantation mediums met good but irregular enquiry at USC10 below previous levels with some teas discounted by up to USC20.

Lower Medium - Were irregularly easier by up to USC16.

Plainer - Met good but irregular absorption and ranged between steady to USC11 dearer to easier by up to USC10.

DUST1:

Best - Saw strong enquiry advancing by up to USC16 but some invoices shed up to USC7.

Brighter - Firm to USC8 above previous rates to easier by up to USC10.

Mediums - KTDA mediums were about steady to USC11 above last levels with some lines up to USC19 and USC58 dearer to easier by up to USC7. Plantation mediums were firm to USC4 dearer to easier by up to USC6.

Lower Medium - Lost up to USC7.

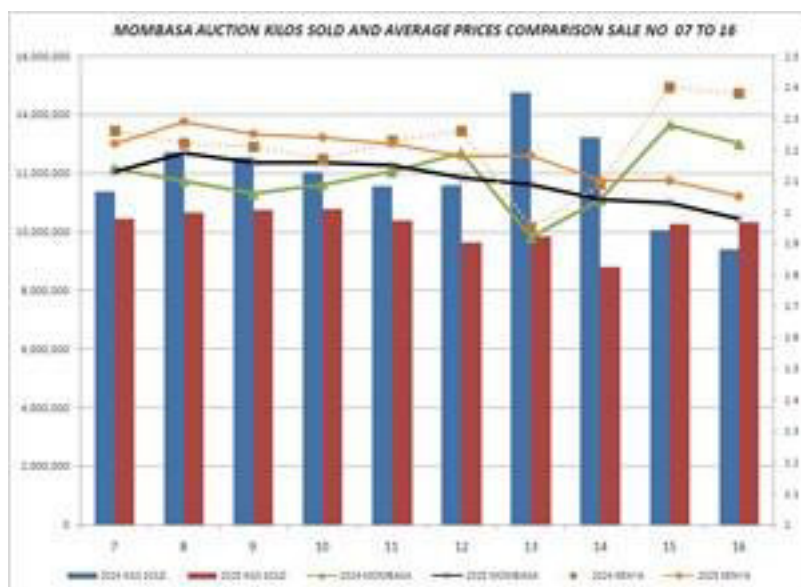
Plainer - Steady to USC19 dearer to easier by up to USC9.

CTC QUOTATIONS	PDUST - USC	DUST1 - USC
Best	255 - 326	252 - 371
Good	240 - 295	252 - 303
Good Medium	240 - 255	240 - 303
Medium (KTDA)	130 - 230	135 - 245
Medium (Plantations)	156 - 249	162 - 202
Lower Medium	110 - 197	114 - 186
Plainer	092 - 141	110 - 139

SECONDARY GRADES (S1)

In the Secondary Catalogues, BPs appreciated while PFs held value. Clean well sorted coloury Fannings were steady with similar DUSTs dearer. 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	155 - 304	154 - 236	108 - 222	109 - 302	089
Good Medium / Medium	-	-	100 - 164	101 - 170	-
Lower Medium	115 - 172	106 - 135	080 - 136	070 - 124	080 - 092
Plainer	094 - 140	078 - 103	077 - 100	072 - 111	075 - 092



Courtesy - Africa Tea Brokers Limited.

BANGLADESH AUCTION

21ST APRIL 2025 (SALE NO.16)

CTC LEAF: 68,547 packages of tea on offer continued to meet with a selective demand.

BROKENS/FANNINGS: Limited demand continued where once again only a select few lines of teas sold at around last levels with heavier withdrawals.

DUST : 4,331 packages of tea on offer continued to meet with a selective demand. Only a few teas sold around last levels with heavy withdrawals. Blenders lent good support with fair interest from the Loose tea buyers.

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OMMENTS: This was the last sale of the season (2024- 2025) where the offerings comprised of reprinted teas which again met with a restricted demand. There was a slightly larger weight of New Season teas on offer which met with a stronger demand and witnessed more competition from both Blenders and the Loose tea buyer although prices were below Brokers' valuations. The better varieties ranged between Tk. 240/- and Tk.300/- whilst the Mediums fetched between Tk.210/- and Tk.230/-.

Once again, Dusts saw huge withdrawals.

Our Catalogue: (Sale 49) Avg : Tk 207.79, Sold 20.06% , (Sale 48) Avg : Tk 195.25, Sold 35.63%

QUOTATIONS	BROKENS	QUOTATIONS	FANNINGS
Best	NQTA	Best	NQTA
Good	NQTA	Good	NQTA
Medium	1.32	Medium	1.32
Plain	1.32	Plain	1.32
BLF	1.32-nom	BLF	1.32-nom

Courtesy - National Brokers Limited.

TEA MARKETS AROUND THE WORLD

COONOR AUCTION

21ST APRIL 2025 (SALE NO.16)

CTC LEAF

DEMAND: - Good General Demand.

MARKET: - The total CTC leaf teas sold this week was 90.45 (994,024.45kgs) of the total offering of 1,092,943.31Kgs.

BEST:- Best liquoring teas continues to sell at irregular levels closely following quality, however fanning grade this week met with some reduced demand from up country buyers. Local and Regional packagers continued to be fairly active.

GOOD:- All sorts in this category saw a slight reduced demand and prices were irregular and easier by Rs 2 to 4, there were no fanning grade on offer in this category this week. Regional packagers, upcountry buyers were selective along with some local buyers.

BETTER MEDIUM & MEDIUM:- Prices for all categories sold at at barely steady to easier levels, however the prices difference between the better medium and medium teas continues to be very narrow or sometimes the medium teas are fetching prices higher than the better medium teas. Major blenders were fairly active compared to last week. Western India regional Packateers were fairly active along with select buying from the upcountry and local buyers. Exporters continued to be fairly active.

PLAINERS:- Good demand but with prices declining by a couple of rupees. Exporters were active on the larger and select medium broken. Major blenders were very choosy and internal buyers were fairly active along with the upcountry buyers.

BUYING PATTERN: - The major blenders off take was 42.96% of the total CTC leaf sold.

ORTHODOX LEAF

DEMAND: - Good demand at last levels.

MARKET: - All categories of teas met with good demand with prices ruling at firm to occasionally dearer price levels especially on the top end high grown grades. Others were fully firm. Fanning sold at irregular levels following quality.

BUYING PATTERN: - Exporters & up country buyers continued to be active.

CTC DUST

DEMAND: - Good demand initially but started depleting as the sale progressed.

MARKET: - CTC dust offer this week was at 393,049.15Kgs of which 330,418.15kgs were sold (84.07%). Best & good teas continue sold at irregular prices following quality and competition. Better medium dust ruled firm to dearer prices especially on the finer dust. Medium and plainer teas sold barely steady to easier with teas facing withdrawals as the sale progressed.

BUYING PATTERN: - Major blenders were selective. Regional and local packeteers continued to be active on the best category teas. Up country and the local buyers were selective. Exporters were selective on the finer dust of the medium and plainer category but were active on the bolder dust especially on cleaner and blacker sorts.

ORTHODOX DUST

DEMAND: - Good but selective demand.

MARKET: - Primary dusts sold at irregular levels but few invoices faced withdrawals due to selective buying from the up country buyers. Secondary teas sold at barely steady levels.

BUYING PATTERN: - Regional & local packateers were selective and price sensitive on primary dusts. Exporters were selective on the secondary dusts.

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

TEA MARKETS AROUND THE WORLD

KOLKATA AUCTION

17TH APRIL 2025 (SALE NO.16)

	2025	2024	DIFFERENCE
CTC	16,174	9,086	7,088
ORTHODOX	14,932	9,983	4,949
DUST	3,700	1,616	2,084

KOLKATA SALE CTC MARKET

MARKET REPORT:

Liquoring Assams meeting with good enquiry and selling at irregularly easier levels.

Plainer Dooars irregularly lower.

BUYING PATTERN:

Western India: Supporting the better teas

HUL : Operating

TCPL: Quiet so far

Exporters : Operating on bolder broken and fannings

Other Internal/Local: Fair enquiry

KOLKATA SALE ORTHODOX MARKET

MARKET REPORT:

Market opened to good demand. Whole leaf irregular and at times tending lower, TGFOP1 selling between Rs 400-440/-, TGFOP selling in the range of Rs 350-390/-. GFOP selling around last levels between Rs 350-400/-. Larger Broken selling at levels similar to last and selling in the range of Rs 270-330/-. Smaller broken selling witnessing less competition and selling at irregularly lower rates, between Rs 250-290/-. FOP/OP and Bolder Broken (BPS/BOP) continue to garner strong support. Nominal quantity of Fannings selling around last levels. Secondaries firm around last levels.

BUYING PATTERN:

Middle East : Active

CIS: Good Support

KOLKATA SALE DUST MARKET

MARKET REPORT:

All sorts firm to dearer.

BUYING PATTERN:

HUL: Mainstay

Western India: Active

Local/internal: Operating

Courtesy - J Thomas & Company Private Limited

SILIGURI AUCTION

16TH APRIL 2025 (SALE NO.16)

	2025-2026	2024-2025	DIFFERENCE
CTC	79,956	60,383	19,573
DARJEELING	-	-	-
GREEN	-	-	-
DUST	7,815	5,326	2,489
TOTAL	87,771	65,709	22,062

DEMAND / MARKET DETAILS: Market opened to good demand. Medium and Plainer sorts sold at irregular levels around last. Best and Good yet to be seen.

BUYING PATTERN:

Internal / Local: Mainstay.

TCPL/HUL: Silent so far.

W.I: Operating.

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

LIMBE MARKET REPORT SALE 16 HELD ON 16/04/2025

Courtesy - TEA BROKERS CENTRAL AFRICA LIMITED

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