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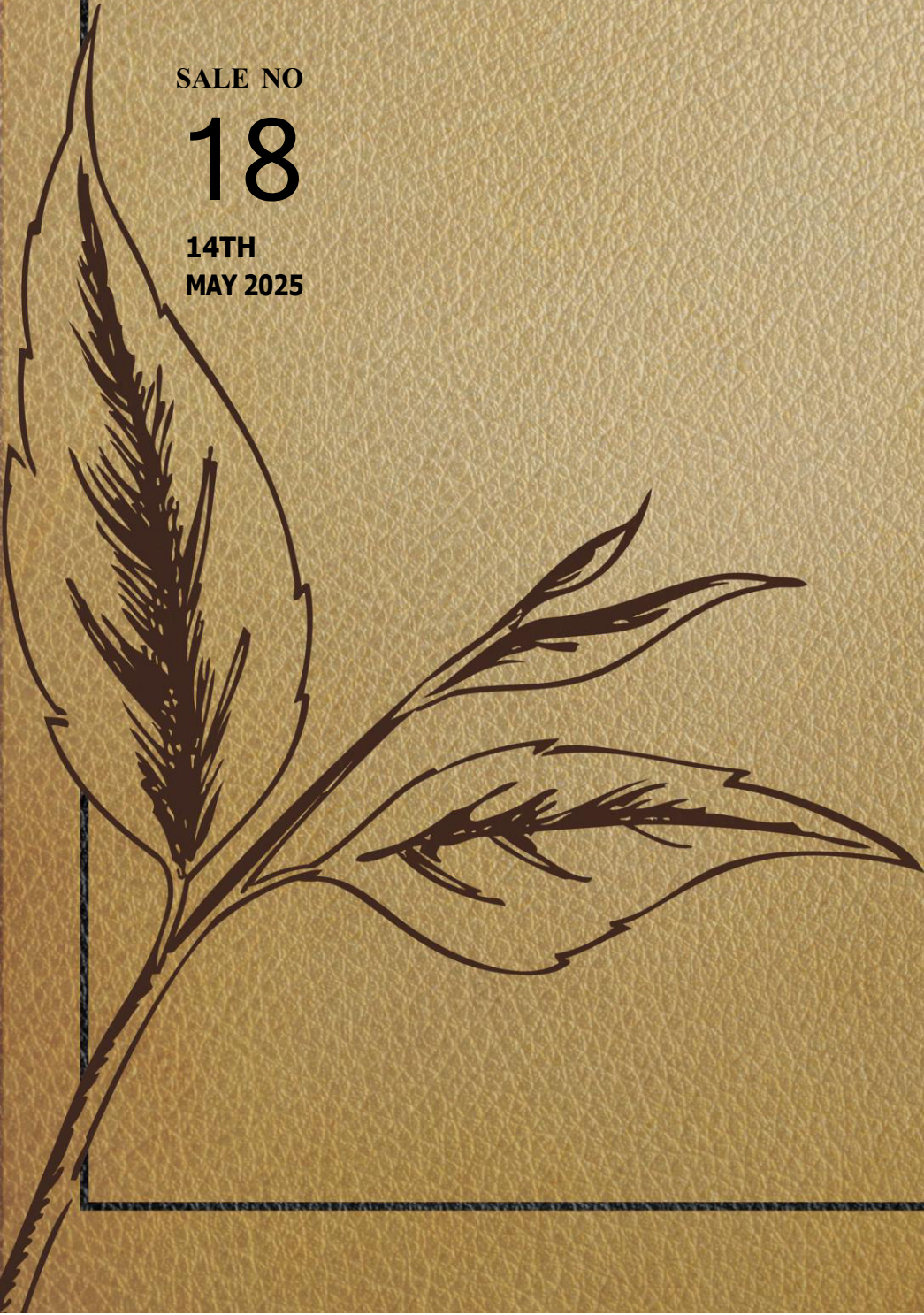
FORBES & WALKER TEA BROKERS PVT LTD

WEEKLY TEA MARKET REPORT

SALE NO

18

**14TH
MAY 2025**



Overall Market

	QTY (M/KGS)	DEMAND
Ex Estate	0.97	Less
High & Medium	0.57	Fair
Leafy	0.84	Fair
Semi Leafy	0.59	Fair
Tippy/Small Leaf	0.65	Fair
Premium Flowery	0.04	Fair
Off Grade	0.79	Irregular
Dust	0.65	Less
Total	5.12	Fair general

ORDER OF SALE

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

AT THIS WEEK'S SALE 9,229 LOTS TOTALLING 5,121,113 KGS WERE ON OFFER. THE BREAKDOWN IS AS FOLLOWS:

	LOTS	QUANTITY
Ex Estate	951	975,658
Main Sale - High & Medium	1,141	574,611
Low Grown - Leafy	2,071	837,626
Low Grown - Semi Leafy	1,316	587,904
Low Grown - Tippy	1,312	653,226
Premium Flowery	248	43,647
Off Grades	1,527	795,038
Dust	663	653,403
Total	9,229	5,121,113
Re - Prints	654	330,386

SETTLEMENT DATES

16/05/2025	20/05/2025	21/05/2025
10% Payment	Buyers Prompt	Sellers Prompt

Quality

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

COMMENTS

Sale No. 18 concluded today was a one-day restricted Auction comprising of a volume of 5.12 M/Kgs and witnessed an overall firm to easier trend in prices with the liquoring Small Leaf teas being discounted by a higher margin.

Ex-Estate offerings were 0.97 M/Kgs. Overall quality was mostly lower to last.

Best Western BOP/BOPF's - Select invoices declined by Rs. 50-80 per kg and more at times towards the closure of the sale. BOP's in the Below Best category were Rs. 50 per kg easier, whilst the corresponding BOPF's declined considerably and were mostly unsold. At the lower end, BOP's were irregular with some correction in prices observed, whilst the corresponding BOPF's declined substantially with less interest. Nuwara Eliya - BOP's were mostly firm, whilst the corresponding BOPF's declined by Rs. 50 per kg and more. Uda Pussellawa BOP/BOPF's were mostly irregular. Uva BOP/BOPF's - Better teas declined considerably due to a lack of suitable bids, whilst the others barely held steady.

High Grown CTC teas - BP1's had hardly any offerings, whilst the PF1's tended lower. Medium Grown CTC teas sold around last levels following quality, whilst the Low Grown teas were firm to irregularly easier.

Selective buying by shippers to the UK with limited activity from shippers to Japan, China and South Africa, whilst shippers to the Middle East and the CIS were active at lower levels.

Low Grown teas comprised of 2.1 M/Kgs. The Leafy, Semi-Leafy and Tippy catalogue 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 OP1's were easier. High-priced OP's maintained, whilst the balance declined. Select Best OPA's declined substantially, whilst the Best and Below Best varieties were lower. However, teas at the bottom sold around last levels. High-priced PEK's together with PEK1's appreciated, whilst the balance were easier. However, teas at the bottom were firm.

In the Tippy catalogue, well-made FBOP's in general were firm, whilst the bolder varieties declined. FF1's, in general, sold around last levels.

In the Premium catalogue, Very Tippy teas together with Best and Below Best sold around last levels, whilst the balance were easier following quality.

World Tea News

Kenya bans tea hawking

An immediate nationwide ban was announced on tea hawking in Kenya, citing concerns over declining quality and threats to the country's global tea reputation. Tea factories found purchasing green leaf from hawkers in violation of regulations would face serious consequences, including loss of licenses.

Unregulated practice introduces substandard green leaf into the value chain, affecting overall quality and the prices fetched at the Mombasa tea auction. A single batch of low-grade tea can compromise entire consignments, damaging the country's reputation on international markets.

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



CROP AND WEATHER

FOR THE PERIOD 06 - 12 May 2025

Western/Nuwara Eliya Regions



The Nuwara Eliya and Western regions reported sunny 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 Uva and Uda Pussellawa regions according to the Department of Meteorology.

Low Grown



Sunny 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 and Western regions maintained the crop intake, whilst the Uva, Uda Pussellawa and Low Grown regions reported a decrease.

HIGH GROWN TEAS

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

BOP

In the Best category, select invoices where quality was maintained, declined by Rs. 20-40 per kg and more, whilst the others declined further. Better Below Best varieties declined by Rs. 40 per kg and more, whilst the others declined further. At the lower end, clean leaf teas sold around last levels, whilst the others declined by Rs. 20-40 per kg following quality. Nuwara Eliya's sold around last levels. Uda Pussellawa's were firm to irregularly lower. Uva's - Better teas declined considerably due to a lack of suitable bids, whilst the others declined by Rs. 20-40 per kg and more.

BOPF

Teas in the Best category declined by Rs. 60-80 per kg following quality, whilst the teas in the Below Best category declined to a lesser extent. At the lower end, clean leaf teas declined by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the others declined considerably and were mostly unsold. Nuwara Eliya's declined by Rs. 50 per kg and more. Uda Pussellawa's - Better teas declined by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the others were firm to irregularly lower. Uva's - Better teas declined considerably due to a lack of suitable bids, whilst the others declined by Rs. 40-60 per kg.

OP/OPA

Well-made varieties were easier by Rs. 40-60 per kg, whilst the others and the poorer sorts declined by a similar margin.

PEKOE/PEKOE1

Flavoury PEK's were easier by Rs. 40-60 per kg. Orthodox Leafy PEK's were easier by Rs. 40-60 per kg, whilst the PEK1's were firm to easier by Rs. 20-40 per kg. Rotovane PEK's were mostly firm to easier by Rs. 50-80 per kg and more at times following inquiry.

FBOP/FBOPF1

Select Best FBOP's were firm around last levels. Orthodox Leafy FBOP's were firm to dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the FBOPF1's were firm to easier by Rs. 20-40 per kg and more at times. Teas at the lower end were firm to easier by Rs. 20 per kg.

QUOTATIONS LKR SALE DTE	BOP		BOPF		PEKOE/FBOP		OP	
	05/07 May	14 May	05/07 May	14 May	05/07 May	14 May	05/07 May	14 May
Best Westerns	1200-1340	1160 - 1260	1180-1380	1140 - 1280	1340-1750	1300 - 1550	1100-1340	1200 -
Below Best Westerns	1040-1120	960 - 1140	1080-1160	1060 - 1120	1160-1300	1180 - 1260	1040-1100	1080 -
Plainer Westerns	840-1000	820 - 940	920-1060	830 - 1040	840-1140	N/A	N/A	N/A
Nuwara Eliyas	1220	1200 - 1240	1360	1200 - 1280	1200-1480	1400 - 1420	1080-1550	1100 -
Brighter Uda Pussellawas	870 - 900	870 - 880	940-1000	900 - 960	1220-1550	1260 - 1500	1100-1140	1100 - 1160
Other Uda Pussellawas	840 - 860	840 - 860	850 - 890	830 - 890	900-1200	980 - 1220	1020-1080	1040 - 1080
Best Uvas	1120-1220	1000 -	1100-1260	1000 - 1080	1360-1700	1320 - 1800	1180-1340	1160 - 1360
Other Uvas	900 - 980	900 - 960	940-1020	N/A	920-1340	920 - 1280	980-1160	980 - 1120

MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

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

BOP	Large Leaf teas sold well, whilst the others were irregularly lower.
BOPF	Better teas declined by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the others and poorer sorts sold around last levels.
OP/OPA	Well-made OP/OPA's were easier by Rs. 40-60 per kg, whilst the others at the lower end were firm to easier by Rs. 20-40 per kg.
PEKOE/PEKOE1	PEK's were easier by Rs. 30-50 per kg. A few Select Best PEK1's held firm, whilst the others and Below Best types were lower by Rs. 40-60 per kg. Mixed varieties were easier by Rs. 30-50 per kg.
FBOP/FBOPF1	A few Select Best FBOP's held firm, whilst the Best and Below Best types were dearer by Rs. 20-40 per kg and more at times. Better FF1's were firm to easier by Rs. 20 per kg. Others in the Best and Below Best categories were easier by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the teas at the lower end were firm to easier by Rs. 30-50 per kg.

QUOTATIONS LKR SALE DTE	BOP		BOPF		PEKOE/FBOP		OP	
	05/07 May	14 May	05/07 May	14 May	05/07 May	14 May	05/07 May	14 May
Good Mediums	1080-1650	1340 - 1700	1020-1160	1000 - 1120	1440-1900	1380 - 1650	1160-1260	1140 - 1300
Other Mediums	830 - 920	840 - 1120	800 - 940	800 - 920	940-1420	900 - 1360	940-1140	900 - 1120

UNORTHODOX / CTC TEAS

HIGH GROWN	BP1s - Hardly any offerings. PF1s - Teas in the higher price bracket declined by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the others sold around last levels.
MEDIUM GROWN	BP1s - Select Best continued to sell well, whilst the others were irregular and mostly lower. PF1s - Teas in the higher price bracket sold around last levels following quality, whilst the others declined by Rs. 40 per kg and more.
LOW GROWN	BP1s - Mostly unsold. PF1s - Firm to irregularly lower.

QUOTATIONS LKR SALE DTE	BP1		PF1	
	05/07 May	14 May	05/07 May	14 May
High Grown	N/A	N/A	850-1180	850 - 1180
Medium Grown	1060-1220	1060 - 1220	940-1180	920 - 1180
Low Grown	1020	940 - 1020	1180-1550	1200 - 1550

OFF GRADES

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

FGS1/FGS

Teas in the Best category were easier by Rs. 50 per kg. Below Best varieties were lower by Rs. 50-100 per kg following quality, whilst the teas at the lower end of the market were firm to easier. Low Grown - In general, were firm on last. CTC's were firm to easier following quality.

BROKENS

Brokens were firm on last levels.

BOP1A

Main Grade reducer varieties in the Best category maintained, whilst the Below Best sorts together with the poorer sorts were firm on last week's levels.

QUOTATIONS LKR

SALE DTE	HIGH		MEDIUM		LOW	
	05/07 May	14 May	05/07 May	14 May	05/07 May	14 May
Better Fannings (Orthodox)	800-1260	800 - 1140	800-1040	790 - 940	790-900	800 - 900
Better Fannings (CTC)	N/A	N/A	900	N/A	810-920	840 - 1160
Other Fannings (Orthodox)	690-790	650 - 790	650-790	660 - 780	640-780	700 - 790
Other Fannings (CTC)	770	770 -	750-800	720 - 770	690-790	680 - - 750
Good Brokens	870-1080	880 - 1160	870-1140	880 - 1080	870-1220	880 - 1180
Other Brokens	780-860	810 - 860	750-860	750 - 870	680-860	740 - 870
Better BOP1As	920-960	920 - 960	900-980	900 - 960	920-1280	900 - 1300
Other BOP1As	890-900	860 - 900	790-890	790 - 880	820-900	840 - 890

DUSTS

DUST1

A few Select Best Dust1's were firm on last week's levels, whilst the others declined by Rs. 20-40 per kg. The Best and Below Best varieties were easier by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the poorer sorts followed a similar trend. Low Grown Best varieties were lower by Rs. 20-40 per kg, whilst the others remained firm. Best High and Mid Grown CTC teas were lower by Rs. 40 per kg and more, whilst the Below Best varieties together with the poorer sorts were easier by Rs. 20-30 per kg. A few select invoices of the Best Low Grown CTC teas were firm, whilst the others declined by Rs. 40 per kg. The Below Best and poorer varieties remained firm.

DUST

Clean leaf secondaries were easier by Rs. 40 per kg, whilst the poorer sorts declined by a similar margin. Low Grown varieties were easier by Rs. 20-40 per kg.

QUOTATIONS LKR

SALE DTE	HIGH		MEDIUM		LOW	
	05/07 May	14 May	05/07 May	14 May	05/07 May	14 May
Better Primary Dust (Orthodox)	1150-2000	1120 - 1600	1000-1160	980 - 1060	960	N/A
Better Primary Dust (CTC) P. Dust	1040-1100	1000 - 1020	1100-1260	1040 -	1150-1440	1100 - 1440
Below Best Primary Dust (Orthodox)	1020-1140	950 - 1100	840-980	830 - 960	780-940	760 - 870
Other Primary Dust (CTC) P. Dust	800-1020	780 - 980	870-1080	700 - 1000	750-1140	900 - 1060
Other Primary Dust (Orthodox)	700-1000	760 - 940	690-830	710 - 820	660-760	660 - 750
Better Secondary Dust	1000-1100	960 - 1000	N/A	800 - 860	880-1000	860 - 900
Other Secondary Dust	660-960	650 - 940	660-760	640 - 780	670-860	650 - 850

LOW GROWN TEAS

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

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

QUOTATIONS LKR SALE DTE	SELECT BEST		BEST		BELOW BEST		OTHERS	
	05/07 May	14 May	05/07 May	14 May	05/07 May	14 May	05/07 May	14 May
FBOP 1	1750-2000	1750 - 2000	1550-1650	1550 - 1650	1300-1350	1300 - 1350	1000-1100	1000 - 1100
FBOP	2100-2400	2100 - 2400	1650-1750	1600 - 1750	1350-1450	1250 - 1400	1000-1100	1000 - 1100
BOP 1	2000-2700	2000 - 3000	1650-1950	1650 - 1950	1100-1340	1000 - 1340	850-1080	850 - 980
BOP	1600-2000	1600 - 1900	1400-1450	1350 - 1400	1250-1300	1000 - 1300	950-1000	950 - 1000
BOPF	1250-1500	1200 - 1500	900-1000	900 - 1000	850-900	850 - 900	800-850	800 - 850
FBOPF (TIPPY)/FBOPF SP	4400-5300	4350 - 4800	4000-4200	3900 - 4100	2800-3500	2800 - 3500	1000	1000 - 1200
FBOPF 1	1550-1700	1600 - 1750	1480-1500	1450 - 1500	1400-1450	1350 - 1400	1000-1100	1000 - 1100
FBOPF	1650-2000	1700 - 2100	1400-1500	1450 - 1550	1300-1400	1300 - 1400	950-1000	950 - 1000
OP 1	2400-2800	2400 - 3200	2250-2350	2250 - 2350	1650-2200	1600 - 2200	900-1600	900 - 1550
OP	1360-1650	1340 - 1650	1260-1340	1240 - 1320	1180-1240	1160 - 1220	950-1160	920 - 1140
OPA	1300-1800	1260 - 1600	1180-1280	1160 - 1240	1080-1160	1060 - 1140	880-1060	860 - 1040
PEKOE	1420-2200	1400 - 2350	1300-1400	1300 - 1380	1180-1280	1180 - 1280	800-1160	800 - 1160
PEK 1	1650-2350	1650 - 2400	1400-1600	1400 - 1600	1280-1380	1280 - 1380	850-1260	850 - 1260

TOP PRICE

WESTERN MEDIUM			
Ancoombra	BOP		1700
Craighead	BOP	@	1550
Harangalla	BOP		1550
Uplands	BOPSp		1480
Vellai Oya	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1120
Harangalla	BOP1	@	1700
Nayapane	BOP1		1700
Rilagala	BOP1	@	1550
Harangalla	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1750
Imboolpitiya	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1700
Rilagala	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1650
Harangalla	FBOPF/FBOPF1		1600
Imboolpitiya	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1480
Dartry Valley	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1480
Nayapane	FBOPF/FBOPF1		1480
Rilagala	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1460
Kenilworth	OP/OPA		1200
Rilagala	OP/OPA	@	1180
Dartry Valley	OP/OPA		1180
Dotel Oya	OP/OPA		1180
Uplands	OP/OPA		1180
Oragnge Field	OP/OPA		1180
Meezan	OP/OPA		1180
Craighead	OP/OPA	@	1160
Cooroondoowatte	OP/OPA	@	1160
Nayapane	OP/OPA		1160
Imboolpitiya	OP1	@	1480
Harangalla	OP1	@	1460
Ancoombra	OP1		1460
Harangalla	PEK/PEK1		1650
Inguruwatte	PEK/PEK1		1650
Kenilworth	PEK/PEK1		1650
Meezan	PEK/PEK1		1650
Rilagala	PEK/PEK1	@	1550
Cooroondoowatte	PEK/PEK1	@	1550
Nayapane	PEK/PEK1		1550
Doombagastalawa	PEK/PEK1	@	1500
Imboolpitiya	PEK/PEK1	@	1500
WESTERN HIGH			
Norwood	BOP	@	1260
Mattakelle	BOPSp		1380
Talawakelle	BOPF/BOPFSp		1280
Alton	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1240
Robgill	BOPF/BOPFSp		1240
Great Western	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1220
Annfield	BOPF/BOPFSp		1220
Norwood	BOPF/BOPFSp		1220
Torrington	BOP1	@	1460
Torrington	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1550
Diyagama East	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1300
Queensberry	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1440
Torrington	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1440
Bogahawatte	FBOPF/FBOPF1		1440
Torrington	OP/OPA	@	1200

WESTERN HIGH			
Queensberry	OP/OPA	@	1140
St Andrews	OP/OPA		1140
Venture	OP1		1380
Bambarakelly	OP1	@	1340
Queensberry	OP1	@	1300
Bogahawatte	PEK/PEK1		1460
NUWARA ELIYAS			
Mahagastotte	BOP	@	1240
Lovers Leap	BOPF/BOPFSp		1280
Mahagastotte	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1200
Court Lodge	FBOP/FBOP1		1420
Kenmare	OP/OPA	@	1160
Lovers Leap	PEK/PEK1		1400
UDAPUSSELLAWAS			
Liddesdale	BOP		890
Delmar	BOPSp	@	1100
Kirklees	BOPF/BOPFSp		960
Delmar	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1500
Delmar	FBOPF/FBOPF1		1440
Gonapitiya	OP/OPA		1160
Blairlomond	OP/OPA	@	1140
Delmar	OP/OPA	@	1120
Gonapitiya	OP1		1200
Delmar	OP1	@	1120
High Forest	OP1	@	1020
Blairlomond	PEK/PEK1	@	1360
LOW GROWNS			
Mulatiyana Hills	BOP		2450
Kamarangapitiya	BOPSp	@	2200
Katanwila	BOPF		1500
Pothotuwa	BOPF	@	1280
Chandrika Estate	BOPF	@	1020
New Spring View	BOPFSp		1500
Sithaka	FBOP		2450
Kiruwana ganga	FBOP1	@	2100
Lenama Hills	FBOPF		2200
Pothotuwa	FBOPF1	@	1750
Adams View	FBOPF1	@	1700
Ransegoda	FBOPF1		1700
Thalapalakanda Super	FBOPF1		1700
Makandura	FBOPF1		1700
Lumbini	FBOPF1		1700
Wilehena	FBOPF1		1700
Pothotuwa	BOP1	@	3000
Gunawardena	OP1		3200
Mulatiyana Hills	OP		2850
Lucky Dais	OPA		1600
Lumbini	PEK		2350
New Batuwangala	PEK1		2400
Wikiliya	PEK1	@	2350
Lumbini	PEK1		2350
Fortune	PEK1	@	2250
New Spring View	PEK1		2250
Dampahala	PEK1		2250

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

UVA MEDIUM			
Aruna Passara	BOP		1460
Sarnia Plaiderie	BOP	@	1360
Hidagala	BOPSp		1380
Dickwella	BOPSp	@	1360
Dickwella	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1460
El Teb	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1000
Blossoms Uva Tea	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	860
Demodera 'S'	BOP1		1750
Dickwella	BOP1	@	1700
Dickwella	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1650
Misty-Uva	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1650
Sarnia Plaiderie	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1600
Shawlands	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1600
High Spring	FBOP/FBOP1		1600
Ury	FBOP/FBOP1		1600
Aruna Keppetipola	FBOP/FBOP1		1600
Dickwella	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1500
Glen Alpin	OP/OPA		1300
Dickwella	OP1	@	1750
Dickwella	PEK/PEK1	@	1600
Glen Alpin	PEK/PEK1		1600
Misty-Uva	PEK/PEK1	@	1550
UVA HIGH			
Nayabedde	BOP	@	1000
Bandaraeliya	BOP	@	1000
Aislaby	BOP	@	920
Uva Highlands	BOP		920
Ranaya	BOPSp		1080
Nayabedde	BOPF/BOPFSp	@	1080
Uva Highlands	BOP1	@	1800
Gonamotawa	FBOP/FBOP1	@	1800
Gonamotawa	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1480
Glenanore	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1460
Aislaby	FBOPF/FBOPF1	@	1440

UVA HIGH			
Ranaya	FBOPF/FBOPF1		1440
Spring Valley	OP/OPA	@	1360
Craig	OP1		1460
Gonamotawa	PEK/PEK1	@	1500
UNORTHODOX HIGH			
Dunsinane CTC	PF1		1160
UNORTHODOX MEDIUM			
New Peacock CTC	PF1	@	1140
Strathdon CTC	PF1	@	1140
Delta CTC	BP1		1100
Strathdon CTC	BPS		870
UNORTHODOX LOW			
Hidalgoda CTC	PF1		1550
Ceciliyan CTC	BP1		1120
PREMIUM FLOWERY			
Lumbini	FBOPFSp		4600
H P P Tea	FBOPFExSp		4800
Lions	FBOPFExSp1		5050
Tea Bank	FBOPFExSp1		4150
Kiruwanaganga	FBOPFExSp1	@	3950
DUSTS			
Mattakelle	DUST1		1600
Kalubowitiyana CTC	PD	@	1440
OFF GRADES			
Wanarajah	FGS/FGS1	@	1140
Wattegodde	FGS/FGS1	@	1100
Somerset	FGS/FGS1	@	1060
Hingalgoda CTC	PF		1160
Liyonta CTC	PF		1160
Chandrika Estate	BM		1000
Arbour Valley	BM		1000
Arbour Valley	BP		1180
Chandrika Estate	BP	@	1160
Spring Valley	BP		1160
Narangala Super	BOP1A		1300
New Kandadola	BOP1A		1300
Chandrika Estate	BOP1A	@	1280
Aldora	BOP1A		1280

QUANTITY SOLD

DURING THE PERIOD 05TH-10TH MAY 2025	WEEKLY (KGS)		TODATE (KGS)	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
PRIVATE SALES	203,436	100,882	3,842,383	1,992,324
PUBLIC AUCTION	5,703,925	4,652,167	82,983,730	78,233,554
FORWARD CONTRACTS	45,935	10,075	1,069,871	514,200
DIRECT SALES	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
TOTAL	5,953,296	4,763,124	87,895,984	80,740,078
BMF EXCLUDED FROM PRIVATE SALE	25,283	109,052	734,174	875,413

(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
29TH APRIL 2025	5.76	4.13	4.65	1188.33	1228.12	1252.99	4.02	4.14	4.00
07TH MAY 2025	5.70	4.65	4.96	1166.87	1249.52	1155.90	3.95	4.29	3.68

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka / Buying Rates

RATES OF EXCHANGE

SRI LANKA RUPEE APPROX PER UNIT OF CURRENCY

YEAR	2025	2024	2023
USD	294.88	294.38	311
STG.PD	388.65	366.22	391.66
EURO	329.07	314.52	341.10
YEN	2.01	1.88	2.29

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka / Buying Rates

PUBLIC AUCTION/GROSS SALES AVERAGE

SALE NO 17 05TH/ 07TH MAY 2025	WEEKLY(LKR)			TODATE (LKR)			WEEKLY(USD)			TODATE(USD)		
	2025	2024	2023	2025	2024	2023	2025	2024	2023	2025	2024	2023
Uva High Grown	1057.41	1100.13	1046.11	1060.92	1116.45	1191.95	3.58	3.77	3.33	3.59	3.64	3.48
Western High Grown	1061.76	1179.41	1165.85	1141.15	1201.51	1399.92	3.60	4.05	3.72	3.87	3.91	4.08
CTC High Grown	1078.20	1110.93	1065.02	1100.74	1130.10	1227.30	3.65	3.81	3.39	3.73	3.68	3.58
High Grown (Summary)	1060.12	1147.51	1126.98	1116.83	1177.38	1342.05	3.59	3.94	3.59	3.78	3.83	3.91
Uva Medium Grown	1094.18	1135.91	1042.93	1095.12	1159.36	1176.85	3.71	3.90	3.32	3.71	3.78	3.43
Western Medium Grown	1037.45	1039.02	986.11	1035.04	1101.68	1156.17	3.51	3.56	3.14	3.51	3.59	3.37
CTC Medium Grown	909.21	954.60	963.55	960.58	970.74	1115.11	3.08	3.27	3.07	3.25	3.16	3.25
Medium Grown (Summary)	1056.89	1074.73	1006.13	1053.76	1119.57	1162.45	3.58	3.69	3.21	3.57	3.65	3.39
Orthodox Low Grown	1257.60	1371.20	1217.50	1269.02	1403.47	1445.94	4.26	4.70	3.88	4.30	4.57	4.22
CTC Low Grown	1020.64	1013.52	976.62	980.83	1038.55	1022.65	3.46	3.48	3.11	3.32	3.38	2.98
Low Grown(Summary)	1242.53	1344.06	1203.73	1255.65	1378.02	1422.12	4.21	4.61	3.84	4.25	4.49	4.15
Total	1166.87	1249.52	1155.90	1193.65	1292.85	1365.85	3.95	4.29	3.68	4.04	4.21	3.98

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
North India	65.8	46.9	49.4	69	49.2	60.4	-19.8	11.2
South India	13.8	16.9	15.7	40.8	48.9	47.5	8.1	-1.4

	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 : 19

Scheduled for 20TH/21ST MAY 2025

	LOTS	QUANTITY
ExEstate	1,059	1,139,471
High & Medium	2,124	1,087,040
Leafy	2,297	1,044,484
Semi Leafy	1,776	844,596
Tippy	1,946	979,003
Premium Flowery	238	43,013
OffGrades	2,482	1,355,193
Dust	516	519,814
Total	12,438	7,012,614
RePrint	285	161,526

27/05/2025

Buyers Prompt

28/05/2025

Sellers Prompt

**This sale last year
Sale No. 19 | 14TH/15TH MAY 2024**

Lots :10,636
Re-print Lots :621
Quantity :5,508,020 kgs
Re-print Quantity :314,018 kgs

LOW GROWN CATALOGUES

Violations Excluded

02/05/2025

LEAFY
Closed

SEMI-LEAFY
Closed

TIPPY
Closed

OTHER MAIN SALE CATALOGUES

02/05/2025

HIGH & MEDIUM
Closed

PREMIUM FLOWERY
Closed

OFF GRADES
Closed

NO .OF PKGS

190,946

CTC

10,875 Pkgs - 576,990 kgs

ORDER OF SALE

Approx Selling time of
F&W Catalogues

20TH

MAY 2025

Ex-Estate

LG Large Leaf//Semi Leafy/LG
Small Leaf/BOP1A/ Premium

High & Medium/Off
Grade /Dust

AS

FW

LC

FW

MB

MB

EB

BC

FW

CTB

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EB

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CTB

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AS

AS

8.30am

Low Grown - Leafy Teas

8.30am

Semi - Leafy Teas

8.30am

Low Grown - Tippy Teas

10.00am

Main Sale - High & Medium

4.30pm

Premium Flowery

5.00pm

BOP1A

5.00pm

Off Grade

21ST

MAY 2025

9.15am

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 : 20

Scheduled for 27TH/28TH MAY 2025

	LOTS	QUANTITY
ExEstate	953	1,004,970
High & Medium	2,185	1,086,003
Leafy	2,203	936,224
Semi Leafy	1,690	762,169
Tippy	2,463	1,229,219
Premium Flowery	464	74,690
OffGrades	1,987	1,132,194
Dust	461	444,901
Total	12,406	6,670,370
RePrint	871	461,822

03/06/2025

Buyers Prompt

04/06/2025

Sellers Prompt

This sale last year
Sale No. 20 | 20TH/21ST MAY 2024

Lots	:12,119
Re-print Lots	:715
Quantity	:6,497,182 kgs
Re-print Quantity	:385,914 kgs

LOW GROWN CATALOGUES

Violations Excluded

08/05/2025

LEAFY
Closed

SEMI-LEAFY
Closed

TIPPY
Closed

OTHER MAIN SALE CATALOGUES

08/05/2025

HIGH &
MEDIUM
Closed

PREMIUM
FLOWERY
Closed

OFF
GRADES
Closed

NO .OF PKGS
180,970

CTC
10,529 Pkgs - 567,894 kgs

CATALOGUE CLOSURE DETAILS

27/28

MAY 2025

Sale No. 20

The Ex-Estate catalogue closed on 08th May 2025, excluding violations. The Main Sale catalogues too closed on 08th May 2025, except for Off Grade and Dust closed on 07th May 2025, excluding violations.

03/04

JUNE 2025

Sale No. 21

The Ex-Estate and Main Sale catalogues are scheduled to close on 16th May 2025.

09/11

JUNE 2025

Sale No. 22

The Ex-Estate and Main Sale catalogues are scheduled to close on 22nd May 2025.

TEA MARKETS AROUND THE WORLD

MOMBASA AUCTION

05TH AND 06TH MAY 2025 (SALE NO.18)

Fair general demand prevailed at irregular levels for the 190,519 packages (13,030,295.00 kilos) on offer with 40.84% remaining unsold.

MARKETS

Pakistan Packers were active at lower levels with maintained interest from Yemen and other Middle Eastern countries. Kazakhstan and other CIS states were less active while Bazaar maintained enquiry at easier rates. Afghanistan reduced absorption with UK active but selective. Egyptian Packers lent good support with some participation from Russia and South Sudan; Sudan remained absent. Local Packers showed some interest with Somalia active at the lower end of the market.

OFFERINGS

Leaf Grades - 100,000 packages (6,599,961.00 kilos) - 46.80% unsold.

Dust Grades - 74,600 packages (5,583,255.00 kilos) - 37.59% unsold.

Secondary Grades - 15,919 packages (847,079.00 kilos) - 18.59% unsold.

LEAF GRADES (M2 & M3)

BP1:

Best - Saw good but irregular enquiry, mostly gaining by up to USC34 to easier by up to USC22.

Brighter - Were discounted by up to USC58.

Mediums - KTDA mediums were firm to USC17 dearer but some lines lost up to USC14. Plantation mediums were steady to USC6 above previous rates.

Lower Medium - Were easier by up to USC17.

Plainer - Were firm to USC2 dearer where sold.

PF1:

Best - Eased by up to USC35 but a few selected invoices were up to USC4 dearer.

Brighter - Met irregular interest and ranged between firm to USC4 above previous levels to easier by up to USC12.

Mediums - KTDA mediums were irregular varying between steady to USC12 dearer to easier by up to USC13. Plantation mediums were firm to USC13 above previous rates to easier by up to USC7.

Lower Medium - Saw irregular demand ranging between steady to USC8 dearer to easier by up to USC10.

Plainer - Were firm to USC6 above last levels to easier by a similar margin.

CTC QUOTATIONS	BP1 - USC	PF1 - USC
Best	212 - 356	300 - 414
Good	202 - 230	275 - 338
Good Medium	200 - 249	225 - 312
Medium (KTDA)	120 - 175	132 - 250
Medium (Plantations)	138 - 188	136 - 178
Lower Medium	120 - 147	110 - 150
Plainer	096 - 124	075 - 132

DUST GRADES (M1)

PDUST:

Best - Were easier by up to USC30 with a few invoices up to USC6 dearer.

Brighter - Shed up to USC10.

Mediums - KTDA mediums were discounted by up to USC14 with improved absorption from plantation mediums which gained up to USC20.

Lower Medium - More but irregular enquiry ranging between USC22 above last levels to easier by up to USC8.

Plainer - Dearer by up to USC7 with some lines advancing by USC11 and USC18.

DUST1:

Best - Were irregular and varied between USC7 above previous rates to easier by a similar margin.

Brighter - Saw irregular interest and ranged between firm to mostly dearer by up to USC9 to easier by up to USC10.

Mediums - KTDA mediums were irregular varying between steady to USC3 dearer to easier by up to USC10 while plantation mediums were discounted by up to USC19.

Lower Medium - Some lines shed up to USC9 while others were mostly dearer by up to USC6.

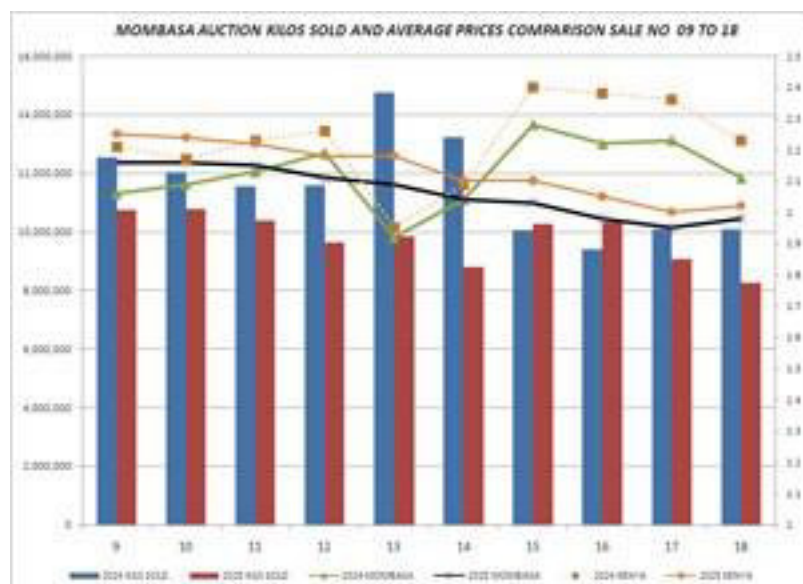
Plainer - Improved enquiry gaining up to USC15.

CTC QUOTATIONS	PDUST - USC	DUST1 - USC
Best	220 - 302	282 - 351
Good	225 - 280	245 - 312
Good Medium	220 - 258	221 - 304
Medium (KTDA)	127 - 215	133 - 237
Medium (Plantations)	154 - 248	162 - 180
Lower Medium	118 - 206	120 - 192
Plainer	105 - 141	114 - 133

SECONDARY GRADES (S1)

In the Secondary Catalogues, best BPs tended dearer with others steady while PFs were firm. Clean well sorted coloury Fannings were irregular but on balance sold below previous levels with similar DUSTs about steady to easier. Other Fannings were discounted while DUSTs held value. BMFs were well absorbed.

SECONDARY QUOTATIONS (USC)	BP/BP2	PF/PF2	FNGS1/FNGS	DUST/DUST2	BMF
Best / Good	161 - 284	155 - 179	108 - 230	109 - 241	-
Good Medium / Medium	-	-	090 - 125	100 - 167	-
Lower Medium	121 - 166	090 - 136	078 - 128	075 - 130	082 - 092
Plainer	090 - 140	075 - 106	074 - 099	083 - 114	072 - 091



Courtesy - Africa Tea Brokers Limited.

BANGLADESH AUCTION

12TH MAY 2025 (SALE NO. 02)

CTC LEAF: 22,239 packages of tea on offer once again met with a fairly strong demand.

BROKENS/FANNINGS: Well made good liquoring varieties continued to be a strong feature of the sale and witnessed more competition and these could be quoted between Tk.270/- and Tk.300/-. Below best varieties were again a good market but prices eased slightly and these sold between Tk.235/- and Tk.250/-. The remainder again met with a fair demand at slightly easier rates and prices realised between Tk.200/- and Tk.225/-. BLF teas sold fairly well and sold between Tk.160 and 205/-.

DUST: 2,796 packages of tea on offer met with a fairly strong demand. Good liquoring Dusts met with a good demand and prices were irregular closely following quality. Others also sold at around last levels with hardly any withdrawals. Blenders lent good support with fair interest from the Loose tea buyers.

COMMENTS: Demand this week was a little more widespread with a few more buyers participating in the sale. The best varieties were mostly firm but all others eased a little in line with quality. Blenders continued to lend strong support with more interest from the Loose tea buyers.

All CDs were the strong feature of the sale.

Our Catalogue: (Sale 2) Avg : Tk 211.77, Sold 41.77% , (Sale 1) Avg : Tk 238.84, Sold 73.81%

QUOTATIONS	BROKENS	QUOTATIONS	FANNINGS
Best	2.23-2.48	Best	2.23-2.48
Good	1.94-2.07	Good	1.94-2.07
Medium	1.78-1.86	Medium	1.82-1.90
Plain	1.53-1.69	Plain	1.61-1.69
BLF	1.32-1.69	BLF	1.32-1.69

Courtesy - National Brokers Limited.

TEA MARKETS AROUND THE WORLD

COONOR AUCTION

05TH MAY 2025 (SALE NO.18)

CTC LEAF

DEMAND: - Reduced Demand with an increase in offer of CTC leaf by approximately 0.6mkg than last week.

MARKET: - The total CTC leaf teas sold this week was 73.82 (1,157,807.87kgs) of the total offering of 1,568,499.32Kgs.

BEST:- Modest volume of best liquoring teas were on offer with demand continuing to persist from the local and regional buyers with prices fluctuating irregularly closely following quality. Local and Regional packagers continued to be fairly active.

GOOD:- All sorts in this category met with selective demand and buyers were very price sensitive in this segment. Prices ruled irregular and lower with fair amount of teas remaining unsold due to lesser demand. There were no fanning grade on offer in this segment. Regional packagers, upcountry buyers were choosy and more price sensitive.

BETTER MEDIUM & MEDIUM:- Prices for all categories continued to witness a downward trend of Rs 3 to 5 or more compared to the previous week. There were no price disparity among all sorts of the lower end of the better medium and the top end of the medium category teas. There was a slight better demand on the fanning grade in terms of sale however, the prices dropped by Rs 2 to 3 compared to last week. One of the major blenders improved their off take but were price sensitive whilst the other was fairly active. Western India regional Packateers were selective. Very select buying was seen from the upcountry and local buyers. Exporters continued to be fairly active especially on cleaner, blacker fanning. However, on the larger broken only a select few exporters operated.

PLAINERS:- Reduced demand but with prices declining in the range of Rs 4 to 6 with larger percentage of teas remaining unsold in this segment. Very few exporters were operating on the larger and select medium broken at easier prices. Major blenders were very choosy and internal buyers were selective along with the upcountry buyers.

BUYING PATTERN: - The major blenders off take was 57.10% of the total CTC leaf sold.

ORTHODOX LEAF

DEMAND: - Good demand.

MARKET: - Well made clean high grown whole leaf sold steady to easier following quality. Other category at the lower end stalky teas declined largely whilst the clean teas sold steady. Broken grades too met with a similar trend. Fanning sold at irregular prices around last levels.

BUYING PATTERN: - Exporters & up country buyers continued to be fairly active closely following quality.

CTC DUST

DEMAND: - Reduced but slightly better compared to the CTC leaf.

MARKET: - CTC dust offer this week was at 502,130.61Kgs of which 393,559.44kgs were sold (78.38%). Best teas met with good demand and prices were irregularly dearer on all sorts closely following quality and competition. Good category bolder dust met with good demand and sold dearer on competition from local buyers. However, the finer dust declined sharply with some teas remaining unsold. Better medium & medium teas declined by Rs 2 to 3 initially but select few invoices settled at barely steady to easier prices as the sale progressed. Plainer teas met with lesser demand and prices were easier by Rs 3 to 5.

BUYING PATTERN: - Major blenders were fairly active. Regional and local packeteers were active on the best category teas. Up country and the local buyers were selective. Exporters were fairly active on the bolder dust especially on cleaner and blacker sorts as the sale progressed.

ORTHODOX DUST

DEMAND: - Fair, selective demand.

MARKET: - Primary dusts sold at irregular levels following quality, the lower end found buyers only at substantially easier levels following quality. Secondary teas sold at irregular levels.

BUYING PATTERN: - Regional & local packateers were fairly active on primary dusts. Exporters were selective on the secondary dusts.

Courtesy -J.Thomas & Co. Pvt. Ltd

TEA MARKETS AROUND THE WORLD

KOLKATA AUCTION

29TH APRIL 2025 (SALE NO.18)

	2025	2024	DIFFERENCE
CTC	30,723	33,862	-3,139
ORTHODOX	45,505	32,678	12,827
DUST	13,945	12,880	1,065

KOLKATA SALE CTC MARKET

MARKET REPORT:

Market opened to fair demand. Assams tending easier following decline in quality and witnessing some outlots. Mediums irregular around last. Plainers Dooars selling around last levels.

BUYING PATTERN:

Western India: Supporting the better teas

HUL: Selective

TCPL: Quiet so far

Exporters: Fair enquiry

Other local/Internal: Fair support

KOLKATA SALE ORTHODOX MARKET

MARKET REPORT:

Market opened to strong demand. Well made Whole leaf, Broken and leafy Fannings selling at firm to occasionally dearer rates. Remainder Whole leaf, Broken and smaller Fannings selling at firm rates. Secondaries keenly completed for and selling at levels higher than last week.

BUYING PATTERN:

Middle East : Mainstay

CIS: Active

KOLKATA SALE DUST MARKET

MARKET REPORT:

Market opened to good demand. All sorts irregular with teas showing a drop in quality tending easier.

BUYING PATTERN:

HUL: Mainstay

Western India: Good Support

Exporters: Selective

Local and Internal: Very selective

Courtesy- J Thomas & Company Private Limited

COCHIN AUCTION

30TH APRIL 2025 (SALE NO.18)

QUANTITY	2025	2024
	kgs	kgs
ORX LEAF	217141	109544
CTC LEAF	21500	31222
Total	238641	140766

ORTHODOX LEAF

DEMAND:

Strong Demand.

MARKET:

Generally firm to dearer for all sorts following quality. Few teas in the premium category gained further in value. Stalkier secondaries and a few fannings, irregular and occasionally easier.

BUYING PATTERN:

M.E - Active.

C.I.A - Good support.

CTC LEAF

DEMAND:

Fair.

MARKET:

Good and Medium liquoring Broken steady remainder Rs.1/- to 2/- and at times more.

BUYING PATTERN:

Internal - Mainstay. Exporters - very selective. Blenders - Absent.

Courtesy - J.T. COCHIN

TEA MARKETS AROUND THE WORLD

SILIGURI AUCTION

29TH APRIL 2025

	2025-2026	2024-2025	DIFFERENCE
CTC	66,023	61,222	4,801
DARJEELING	-	-	-
GREEN	-	-	-
DUST	7,191	9,752	-2,561
TOTAL	73,214	70,974	2,240

STAC OFFERINGS IN PACKAGES (SALE NO 18)

DEMAND / MARKET DETAILS: Market opened to good demand. Best and Good sorts sold at irregular levels following quality. Medium and Planer teas yet to be seen.

BUYING PATTERN:

Internal / Local Packeteers: Mainstay

TCPL/ HUL: Silent so far.

W.I: Operating.

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

MALAWI AUCTION

30TH APRIL 2025 (SALE NO.18)

There was selective demand following quality for the 6540 packages on offer at firm to easier rates.

BP1 were 1-2USC easier on last.

PF1 sold at firm to 2 USC easier where sold.

PD were neglected.

D1 sold 5USC below valuation where sold.

PF1SC - Few invoices on offer were firm to 2USC easier.

Secondaries received less enquiry and were firm to 4USC easier where sold.

Courtesy - TEA BROKERS CENTRAL AFRICA LIMITED

GUWAHATI AUCTION

28TH APRIL 2025 (SALE NO.18)

Market: CTC

There was good demand for the good and best Assams at barely steady to easier rates. Remainder met with fair demand only at mostly easier levels and with some withdrawals.

Buying Pattern: CTC.

There was fair enquiry from HUL/ Western India. Internal buyers participated. Exporters operated selectively on the larger broken,

Market: DUST

There was fair general demand, Select better liquoring sorts sold at around last levels, remainder were easier and with some withdrawals.

Buying Pattern: DUST

HUL participated actively on the better liquoring sorts, Western India /North India buyers operated.

Courtesy- ASSOCIATED BROKERS PVT. LTD