



MARKET SNAPSHOT

SALE NO. 12 OF 21ST / 22ND MARCH 2023

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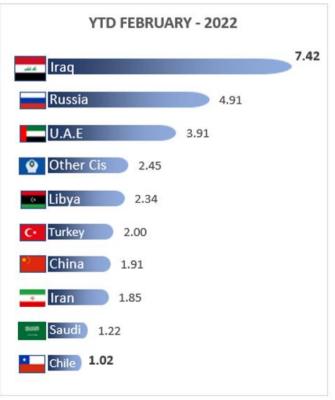
All-round met with fair demand.





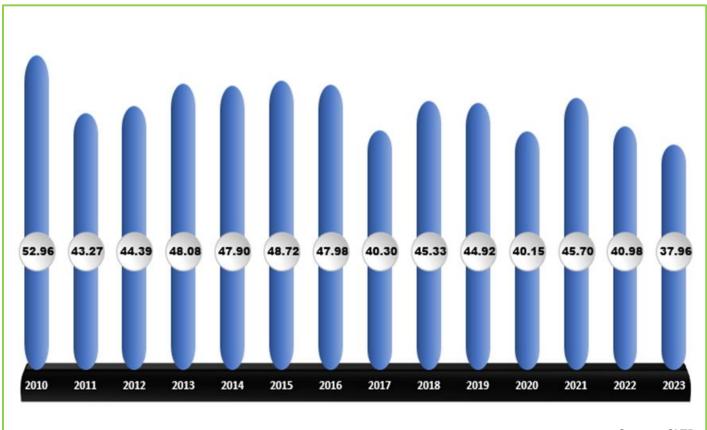
TOP 10 COUNTRY WISE SRI LANKAN TEA EXPORT QUANTITY (MN KG) YTD FEBRUARY - 2023 VS 2022





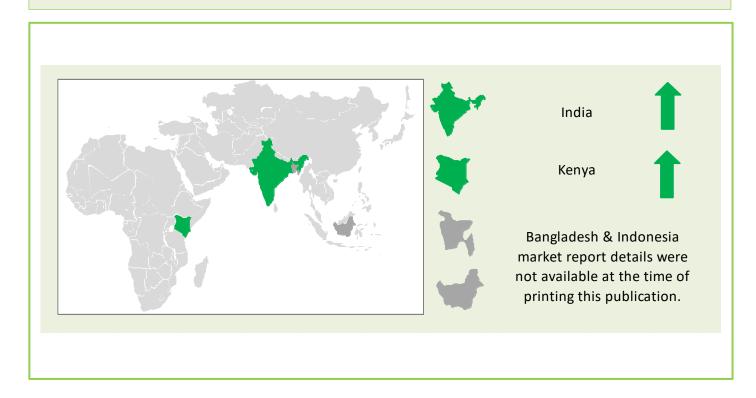
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YEARLY SRI LANKAN TEA PRODUCTION QUANTITY (IN MN KG) YTD FEBRUARY 2010 - 2023



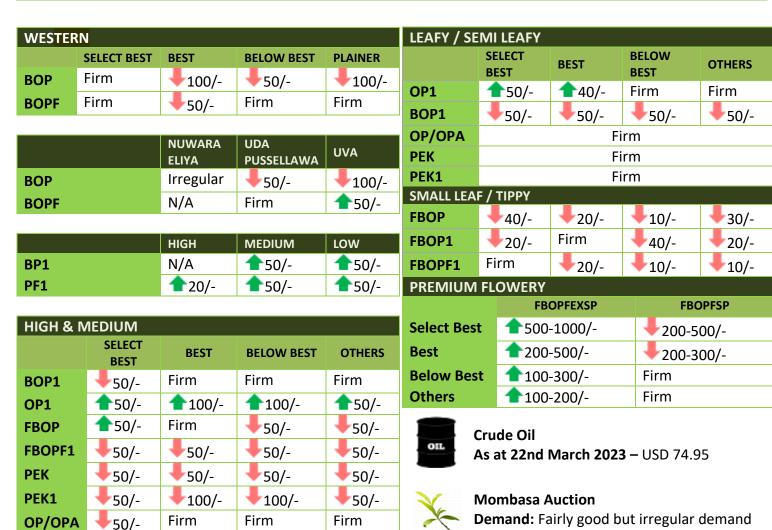
Source: SLTB

MARKET MOVEMENT AT INTERNATIONAL AUCTION CENTERS THIS WEEK



COMMENTS

Sala	Ex-Estate		Low Grown (Leafy/Tippy)		Total		
Sale	Qty	Demand	Qty	Demand	Qty	Demand	
12	0.74 MKgs	Fair	2.1 Mkgs	Fair	5.2 Mkgs	Fair	



Sri Lanka Tea Production for the month of February 2023 amounted to 18.72 Mn/Kg, vis-à-vis 18.16 Mn/Kg in 2022. (+0.55 Mn/Kg). Cumulative crop to end April 2023 was 37.97 Mn/Kg, compared with 40.98 Mn/Kg in 2022. (-3.02 Mn/Kg)

Elevation wise analysis shows that for the month of February 2023 High Grown shows a decrease (-0.05 Mn/Kgs) whilst Medium & Low Growns show an increase of +0.25 Mn/Kg and +0.35 Mn/Kg respectively when compared to the same month last year.

CTC's recorded 1.61 Mn/Kg for the month of February 2023 vis-à-vis 1.71 Mn/Kg last year. (-0.09Mn/Kg)

(Please refer Page No.15 for more details)

	United States Dollars (USD)			Community (EUR)	United Kingdom pounds (GBP)	
	Corresponding			Corresponding	Corresponding	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Sri Lankan Rupee	312.62	272.07	336.08	302.67	381.40	359.09

(Courtesy - Central Bank of Sri Lanka)

Indian Rupee	82.64	75.97	88.82	83.84	101.12	99.99
Kenyan Shilling	129.47	113.45	139.14	125.21	158.41	149.33
Bangladesh Taka	105.02	84.44	112.87	93.19	128.50	111.14
Indonesian Rupiah	15,312.80	14,320.60	16,457.30	15,805.40	18,735.90	18,850.60
Malawi Kwacha	1,023.53	806.71	1,100.03	890.35	1,252.33	1,061.89
Vietnam Dong	23,568.80	22,857.20	25,330.40	25,227.00	28,837.50	30,087.50

(Courtesy - Oanda Corporation)

SRI LANKA RUPEE AGAINST US DOLLAR TIME PERIOD 16/03/2023 TO 22/03/2023 (SPOT / BUYING RATE)

16/03/2023	329.03	20/03/2023	331.72	22/03/2023	312.62
17/03/2023	332.20	21/03/2023	316.85		

(Courtesy - Central bank of Sri Lanka)

QUANTITY SOLD DURING THE PERIOD 13TH - 18TH MARCH 2023

	20	023	2022		
	WEEKLY	TODATE	WEEKLY	TODATE	
PRIVATE SALES	99,837.10	1,073,015.20	91,126.00	981,743.00	
PUBLIC AUCTION	4,605,322.00	49,033,133.50	4,948,117.00	55,433,725.00	
FORWARD CONTRACTS	11,160.00	673,408.00	56,000.00	555,800.00	
DIRECT SALES	-	-	-	-	
TOTAL	4,716,319.10	50,779,556.70	5,095,243.00	56,971,268.00	
BMF EXCLUDED FROM PRIVATE SALE	57,242.00	562,873.00	212,497.00	1,790,284.00	



Remove surface moisture from wet leaf as soon as spread in the trough.

CROP AND WEATHER (FOR THE PERIOD 13TH - 19TH MARCH 2023)

The Western planting districts experienced clear mornings followed by showers whilst the Nuwara Eliya's reported bright mornings followed by occasional evening showers. The Department of Meteorology forecasts morning showers in the Western Region and heavy showers in Nuwara Eliya.

Uva/Udapussellawa's reported sunny mornings with occasional evening showers. Heavy showers are expected in Uva.

The Low grown districts experienced bright morning followed by occasional evening showers. Morning showers are to be expected in Ruhuna and heavy showers are expected in Sabaragamuwa.

All regions maintained their crop intakes except for the Nuwara Eliya's which recorded a slight increase.

WEATHER FORECAST (FOR THE PERIOD 23RD TO 29TH MARCH 2023)

	Thu (23/03)	Fri (24/03)	Sat (25/03)	Sun (26/03)	Mon (27/03)	Tue (28/03)	Wed (29/03)
	32°/24°C	32°/25°C	32°/24°C	32°/25°C	32°/24°C	32°/24°C	33°/24°C
Galle	-	-		<u>-\'-</u>			->>
	32°/23°C	33°/23°C	32°/23°C	32°/23°C	33°/23°C	33°/23°C	33°/24°C
Matara	->->->->->->->->->->->->->->->->->->->->		<i>///</i>	4	-	-	->>
	33°/21°C	33°/21°C	34°/20°C	34°/20°C	36°/20°C	35°/20°C	35°/20°C
Ratnapura	4	->	<i>////</i>	- 2		-	->>>>>>>>>>>>>-
	28°/16°C	28°/14°C	29°/16°C	29°/15°C	30°/15°C	30°/15°C	29°/15°C
Hatton/ Talawakelle	-	->-	-		4		

ORDER OF SALE THIS WEEK

EX EST	H/M-OFF GR & DUST	LEAFY/ SEMI LEAFY/ TIPPY/PREM & BOP1A
MB	Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC	Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd
AS	Lanka Commodity Brokers	Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
ВА	Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd	Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
FW	Forbes & Walker Tea Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC
ES	Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd	Eastern Brokers Ltd
СТВ	Asia Siyaka Commodities PLC	Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC
LC	John Keells PLC	John Keells PLC
JK	Eastern Brokers Ltd	Lanka Commodity Brokers

CATALOGUE	LOTS	QTY (KGS)
EX-ESTATE	724	736,512
HIGH AND MEDIUM	1,437	660,279
LOW GROWN (LEAFY)	1,853	683,788
LOW GROWN (SEMI LEAFY)	1,424	620,918
LOW GROWN (TIPPY)	1,842	890,343
OFF GRADES + BOP1A	2,085	1,040,431
DUSTS	556	518,127
PREMIUM FLOWERY	247	46,126
TOTAL	10,168	5,196,524

HIGH GROWN TEAS

BOP Best Western's eased by Rs.100/- per kg. Below best declined by Rs.50/- per kg. Plainer

types were lower by Rs.50-100/- per kg. Nuwara Eliya's were irregularly easier. Uda Pussellawa's were barely steady. Uva's declined up to Rs.100/- per kg towards the end.

BOPF Best Western's easier by Rs.50/- per kg. Below best and plainer types were mostly firm.

Nuwara Eliya's had hardly any offerings. Uda Pussellawa's were firm to marginally dearer.

Uva's were firm to Rs.50/- per kg dearer.

MEDIUM GROWN TEAS

BOP1/OP1 BOP1 – Select best easier by Rs. 50/- per kg whilst the others held firm.

OP1 - Select best dearer by Rs. 50/- per kg. Best and below best gained by Rs. 100/- per

kg whilst others appreciated by Rs. 50/- per kg.

OP/OPA Select best lower by Rs. 50/- per kg whilst the others held firm.

PEKOE/PEKOE1 PEK– In general, shed by Rs. 50/- per kg.

PEK1– Select best lower by Rs. 50/- per kg whilst the best and the below best declined

by Rs. 100/- per kg. Others lower by Rs. 50/- per kg.

FBOP/FBOPF1 FBOP – Select best gained by Rs. 50/- per kg. Best held firm. Below bets and others declined

by Rs. 50/- per kg.

FBOPF1 - In general, easier by Rs. 50/- per kg.

CTC

BP1 – Hardly any offerings.

PF1 - Appreciated by Rs.20/- per kg.

MEDIUM GROWN BP1 – Dearer by Rs.50/- per kg.

PF1 - Gained by Rs.50/- per kg.

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PF1 - Gained by Rs.50/- per kg.

QUOTATIONS-HIGH GROWNS	ВС	OP	ВО	PF
BEST WESTERNS	1500	2050	1500	1900
BELOW BEST WESTERNS	1300	1480	1340	1480
PLAINER WESTERNS	1180	1280	1280	1320
NUWARA ELIYAS	1200	1700	1460	
UDAPUSSELLAWAS	1040	1200	1180	1440
BEST UVAS	1300	1320	1400	1460
OTHER UVAS	980	1200	1260	1360
GOOD MEDIUMS	1300	2000	N,	/A
POOR MEDIUMS	940	1280	940	1100
QUOTATIONS – UNORTHODOX	BP1		PI	F1
(CTC) CTC (High & Medium)	850	1220	1020	1360
CTC (Low)	1360	1750	1200	1650

LOW GROWN

BOP1 A few select best were firm to dearer, whilst best and below best declined. Poorer sorts

were firm.

OP1 Select best were firm to dearer, Best and below best firm to lower whilst poorer sorts

maintained.

OP Well-made varieties were firm to dearer whilst best and below best maintained. Poorer

types gained.

OPA Select best were firm to dearer. Best and below best maintained. Teas at the lower end

were firm.

PEKOE/PEKOE1 Select best teas together with full range of bold PEK's firm to lower. Cleaner below best

and the rest were irregular.

FBOP/FBOP1 Select best and best were dearer whilst others had a lower market.

BOP In general, firm market.

BOPF All-round lower market.

FBOPF/FBOPF1 Select best and best FBOPF1's met with all-round firm to dearer market whilst FBOPF

had a lower market at times were unsellable.

QUOTATIONS	SELECT BEST	BEST	BELOW BEST	OTHER
BOP1	2,200-3,450	1,700-2,100	1,300-1,400	800-1,100
OP1	2,700-3,450	2,000-2,300	1,600-1,800	800-1,400
OP	1,750-2,050	1,600-1,700	1,400-1,550	800-1,300
OPA	1,750-2,100	1,600-1,700	1,300-1,550	800-1,300
PEKOE	1,900-2350	1,750-1,800	1,500-1,700	800-1,200
PEKOE1	1,950-2350	1,750-1,850	1,500-1,700	800-1,200
FBOP1	1,300- 2,350	900-1200	700-850	Below 650
FBOP	1,500-2,900	1200-1400	900-1100	Below 850
ВОР	1,400-2,500	1100-1300	900-1000	Below 880
BOPF	1,200-2,250	1000-1150	850-950	Below 800
FBOPF1	1,400-1,750	1000-1300	900-980	Below 870
FBOPF	1,000-1,650	820-900	800-880	Below 780
FFSP/FFEXSP/FFEXSP1	3000-5,950	1200-2000	980-1000	Below 960

OFF GRADES

FGS/FGS1 High grown varieties gained by Rs.20-40/- per kg and more towards the closure. Medium and low growns advanced by Rs. 20-30/- per kg. CTCs increased by Rs. 20-40/- per kg.

BM – Best were dearer Rs. 20-30/- per kg and more towards the closure. Below best and bottom followed a similar trend.

BP - Gained by Rs. 20-40/- per kg

BOP1A Best varieties maintained. Below Best varieties were dearer by Rs. 40-50/- per kg, whilst the teas at the lower end appreciated by Rs. 20-40/- per kg.

	HIGH		MED	IUM	LOW	
FNGS	700	1420	660	1100	640	1200
P.FGS (CTC)	1060		820	940	780	1340
ВР	710	1200	680	1180	730	1300
вм	690	890	710	860	600	1260
BOP1A	790	980	770	1180	760	1650

DUST

DUST1 Best and below best were firm on last. CTC's gained by Rs. 40-50/- per kg. Best and below best Low growns appreciated by Rs. 40-60/- per kg.

DUST Clean secondaries and low growns dearer by Rs. 50-60/- per kg.

	HIGH		MEDIUM		LOW	
PRIMARY DUSTS	1500	2000	950	1500	900	1200
SECONDARY DUSTS	1160	1480	750	900	700	880
PDUST (CTC)	1180	1320	1120	1460	950	1120

TOP PRICES - SALE NO. 12 OF 21ST / 22ND MARCH 2023

Nayapane Uplands Nayapane Dartry Valley	BOP BOPSp BOPF/BOPFSp BOP1 FBOP/FBOP1	2,000.00 1,800.00 1,240.00 1,700.00		
Uplands Nayapane Dartry Valley	BOPF/BOPFSp BOP1	1,240.00		
Nayapane Dartry Valley	BOP1			
Dartry Valley		1 700 00		
	FBOP/FBOP1	1,700.00		
		1,850.00		
Harangalla	FBOP/FBOP1	1,850.00		
Dartry Valley	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1,600.00		
Dartry Valley	OP/OPA	1,650.00		
Craighead	OP1	1,950.00		
	PEK/PEK1	2,050.00		
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WESTERN HIGH				
Somerset	ВОР	2,050.00		
Holyrood	BOPSp	1,500.00		
Somerset	BOPSp	1,500.00		
Holyrood	BOPF/BOPFSp	1,900.00		
Karagastalawa	BOP1	1,200.00		
Weddemulla	BOP1	1,140.00	@	
Venture	FBOP/FBOP1	1,550.00		
Venture	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1,360.00	_	
	OP/OPA	1,550.00	@	
	OP1	1,850.00		
Torrington	PEK	1,750.00		
	PEK1	1,650.00	@	
NUWARA ELIYA				
Lovers Leap	ВОР	1,700.00		
Lovers Leap	BOPF/BOPFSp	1,460.00		
Court Lodge	FBOP/FBOP1	1,750.00		
Kenmare	OP/OPA	1,360.00		
Lovers Leap	PEK/PEK1	1,900.00		
UDA PUSSELLAW	AS			
	ВОР	1,080.00		
	BOPSp	1,200.00		
Luckyland	BOPF/BOPFSp	1,440.00		
Delmar	BOP1	1,700.00		
Blairlomond	FBOP/FBOP1	1,700.00	00.00	
Gordon	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1,240.00)	
Delmar	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1,240.00)	
Alma	OP/OPA	1,550.00	_	
Alma	OP1	1,600.00		
Alma	PEK/PEK1	1,900.00	@	

UVA MEDIUM				
Halpewatte Uva	ВОР	1,400.00		
Sarnia Plaiderie	BOPSp	1,200.00		
El Teb	BOPF/BOPFSp	1,460.00		
Demodera 'S'	BOP1	2,000.00		
Halpewatta Uva	FBOP/FBOP1	1,900.00		
Tinioya	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1,380.00		
Demodera 'S'	OP/OPA	1,650.00		
Telbedde	OP1	1,850.00		
Uva Samovar	PEK/PEK1	1,850.00	@	
High Spring	PEK/PEK1	1,850.00		
UVA HIGH				
Pitaratmalie	ВОР	1,320.00		
Ranaya	BOPSp	1,180.00	@	
Kelliebedde	BOPF/BOPFSp	1,460.00		
Glenanore	BOP1	1,850.00		
Aislaby	FBOP/FBOP1	1,850.00		
Ranaya	FBOP/FBOP1	1,600.00	@	
Gonamotawa	FBOP/FBOP1	1,600.00		
Glenanore	FBOPF/FBOPF1	1,400.00		
Craig	OP/OPA	1,550.00		
Glenanore	OP1	1,850.00		
Mount Uva	PEK	1,800.00	@	
Craig	PEK	1,800.00		
Ranaya	PEK1	1,850.00	@	
UNORTHODOX H	IGH			
Ulugedara CTC	PF1	1,340.00	@	
UNORTHODOX M	IEDIUM			
New Peacock CTC	PF1	1,360.00		
Rothschild CTC	PF1	1,340.00	@	
New Peacock CTC	PF1	1,340.00		
Delta CTC	BP1	1,220.00	1,220.00	
Aultmore CTC	BPS	940.00	@	
UNORTHODOX LO	ow			
Hingalgoda CTC	PF1	1,650.00		
Kalubowitiyana CTC	PF1	1,400.00	@	
Ceciliyan CTC	BP1	**1,750.00		
Canora CTC	BPS	800.00		

TOP PRICES - SALE NO. 12 OF 21ST / 22ND MARCH 2023

LOW GROWN			
Sithaka	BOP1	3,450.00	
Pothotuwa	OP1	3,450.00	
Mulatiyana Hills	OP	2,050.00	@
Nilgiri	OP	2,000.00	@
Lickra	OP	1,950.00	@
Suwishka	OP	1,950.00	@
Nilgiri	OPA	2,100.00	@
A C U Super	OPA	2,050.00	@
Win Hills	OPA	2,050.00	
Himara	OPA	1,950.00	@
Lions	OPA	1,950.00	@
Suwishka	OPA	1,950.00	@
Liyonta	OPA	1,950.00	
Makandura	OPA	1,950.00	
Lumbini	PEK	2,350.00	
Brombil	PEK	2,350.00	
New Mahendra	PEK	2,350.00	
A C U Super	PEK1	2,350.00	@
Galatara	PEK1	2,350.00	
Matuwagalla Super	PEK1	2,300.00	@
Sisiramba Super	PEK1	2,300.00	
Rajjuruwatta Super	PEK1	2,250.00	@
Brombil	PEK1	2,250.00	
Pothotuwa	PEK1	2,250.00	
Dampahala	PEK1	2,250.00	
Stream Line	PEK1	2,250.00	
Wathurawila	ВОР	2,500.00	@
Suduwelipothahena Super	BOPSp	1,950.00	@
Ceciliyan	BOPF	2,250.00	
Golden Garden	BOPFSp	1,480.00	
Stream Line	BOPFSp	1,420.00	
Suduwelipothahena Super	BOPFSp	1,380.00	@
Mahaliyadda	BOPFSp	1,380.00	
Sithaka	FBOP	2,900.00	
Mulatiyana Hills	FBOP	2,800.00	@
Sithaka	FBOP1	2,350.00	
Brombil	FBOP1	2,100.00	@
Ceciliyan	FBOPF	1,650.00	
Hidellana	FBOPF1	1,750.00	
Pothotuwa	FBOPF1	1,700.00	
New J.S.P	FBOPF1	1,650.00	@
New Mount Carmel	FBOPF1	1,650.00	
Bogoda Group	FBOPF1	1,650.00	
New Galagawa	FBOPF1	1,650.00	
Sithaka	FBOPF1	1,650.00	
Dampahala	FBOPF1	1,650.00	

DUSTS			
Strathspey	DUST1	2,000.00	
St. Coombs	DUST1	2,000.00	
Delta CTC	PD	1,460.00	
PREMIUM FLOWERY			
Veddagala	FBOPFSp	3,600.00	@
Brombil	FBOPFExSp	5,950.00	
Nilgiri	FBOPFExSp	4,800.00	@
Captain Garden	FBOPFExSp1	3,600.00	
New Panilkanda	FBOPFExSp1	2,800.00	
Sunrise	FBOPFExSp1	2,800.00	
Sachitha	FBOPFExSp1	2,500.00	@
OFF GRADES			
Gouravilla	FGS/FGS1	1,420.00	
Hingalgoda CTC	PF	1,340.00	
Kurunduwatta	BM	1,260.00	
Talangaha	BM	1,120.00	@
Gunawardana	BM	1,120.00	
Falcon Lanka	BP	1,300.00	
Chandrika Estate	BOP1A	1,650.00	
Aldora	BOP1A	1,650.00	
Golden Garden	BOP1A	1,550.00	@
Chandrika Estate	BOP1A	1,550.00	
Aldora	BOP1A	1,550.00	

FUTURE SALES INFORMATION SALE NO 13 OF 28TH / 29TH MARCH 2023

EX-ESTATE	H/M-OFF GR & DUST	LEAFY/ SEMI LEAFY/ TIPPY/PREM & BOP1A
AS	Lanka Commodity Brokers	Mercantile Produce Brokers (Pvt) Ltd
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LC	John Keells PLC	John Keells PLC
JK	Eastern Brokers Ltd	Lanka Commodity Brokers
MB	Ceylon Tea Brokers PLC	Bartleet Produce Marketing (Pvt) Ltd

Buyers Prompt: 04.04.2023 Sellers Prompt: 06.04.2023

AWAITING SALE - CATALOGUE DETAILS

	SALE OF 28	ΓH / 29TH MAR 2023	SALE OF 03RD	/ 04TH APRIL 2023
	LOTS	QTY(KGS)	LOTS	QTY(KGS)
EX-ESTATE	707	742,311.0	721	778,764
HIGH AND MEDIUM	1,550	676,827	1,487	669,387
LOW GROWN (LEAFY)	2,004	726,100	2,014	770,159
LOW GROWN (SEMI LEAFY)	1,468	606,846	1,514	664,457
LOW GROWN (TIPPY)	1,936	918,360	1,750	850,087
OFF GRADES+BOP1A	1,987	979,571	2,186	1,110,820
DUSTS	495	450,386	572	522,657
PREMIUM FLOWERY	348	55,289	214	38,785
TOTAL	10,495	5,155,690	10,458	5,405,116
MAIN SALE & EX ESTATE CLOSED ON	09TH MARCH 2023 16TH MARCI			

SALE NO.15 – 18TH / 19TH APRIL 2023

Ex-Estate catalogue and Main Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on the 23rd March 2023.

SALE NO.16 – 25TH / 26TH APRIL 2023

Ex-Estate catalogue and Main Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on the 30th March 2023.

SALE NO.17 – 02ND / 03RD MAY 2023

Ex-Estate catalogue and Main Sale catalogues are scheduled to be closed on the 06th April 2023.

ELEVATION WISE - STATISTICS - COLOMBO AUCTION AVERAGES

Elevation		LAST WEEK (RS)	WEEK BEFORE LAST (RS)	LAST YEAR (RS)	YEAR BEFORE (RS)	
		Sale- 14.03.2023	Sale- 07.03.2023	Corres 2022	Corres 2021	
Uva High		1173.87	1168.34	728.88	596.52	
Western High		1370.33	1311.18	732.09	644.88	
CTC High		1220.39	1176.59	599.87	550.80	
Total High Grown		1319.31	1275.12	731.17	634.12	
Uva Medium		1091.40	1133.21	778.80	623.81	
Western Medium		1116.21	1101.01	657.64	595.03	
CTC Medium		1136.69	1090.40	548.53	533.12	
Total Medium Grown		1107.85	1109.89	689.87	602.02	
Orthodox Low		1291.96	1316.03	879.46	697.44	
CTC Low		1030.33	956.54	547.05	507.26	
Total Low Grown		1272.58	1296.98	848.39	685.02	
TOTAL		1256.96	1267.07	796.95	661.16	
		LAST WEEK	WEEK BEFORE LAST	LAST YEAR	YEAR BEFORE	
Elevation		(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	
		Sale- 14.03.2023	Sale- 07.03.2023	Corres 2022	Corres 2021	
Uva High		3.63	3.46	2.89	3.02	
Western High		4.24	3.88	2.91	3.27	
CTC High		3.78	3.48	2.38	2.79	
Total High Grown		4.09	3.78	2.90	3.21	
Uva Medium		3.38	3.36	3.09	3.16	
Western Medium		3.46	3.26	2.61	3.01	
CTC Medium		3.52	3.23	2.18	2.70	
Total Medium Grown		3.43	3.29	2.74	3.05	
Orthodox Low		4.00	3.90	3.49	3.53	
CTC Low		3.19	2.83	2.17	2.57	
Total Low Grown		3.94	3.84	3.37	3.47	
Weekly Total (USD)		3.89	3.75	3.16	3.35	
Exchange Rate (LKR)		322.96	337.67	251.97	197.47	
	TODATE	TODATE	TODATE	TODATE	TODATE	TODATE
Elevation	2020	2021	2022	2020	2021	2022
	(RS)	(RS)	(RS)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Uva High	581.34	649.63	1230.96	2.99	2.96	3.44
Western High	634.23	720.36	1457.47	3.27	3.28	4.07
CTC High	575.06	606.06	1241.19	2.96	2.76	3.47
Total High Grown	620.92	700.89	1397.89	3.20	3.19	3.91
Uva Medium	596.99	676.31	1230.12	3.07	3.08	3.44
Western Medium	583.97	626.15	1206.35	3.01	2.85	3.37
CTC Medium	545.44	540.96	1121.71	2.81	2.47	3.14
Total Medium Grown	587.51	640.51	1213.29	3.02	2.92	3.39
Orthodox Low	686.59	780.06	1521.97	3.53	3.56	4.25
CTC Low	536.40	530.24	1046.11	2.76	2.42	2.92
Total Low Grown	676.52	761.72	1495.23	3.48	3.47	4.18
TOTAL	651.12	728.50	1434.27	3.35	3.32	4.01
Cumulative Sale Averages	– 1 USD= Rs. (M	onthly Weighted Avera	ge)	194.24	219.39	357.70

(Source: MSL/ CBSL)

WORLD TEA PRODUCTION (IN MILLION KILOS)

Country	Month	Month		To-c	Diff (+/-)	
Country	Month	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021 vs 2022
North India	Dec	50.8	48	1108	1110.4	2.4
Malawi	Dec	3.8	4.6	50.57	47.76	-2.81
Kenya	Dec	52.5	55.3	537.8	535	-2.8

		2022	2023	2022	2023	2022 vs 2023
Sri Lanka	Feb	18.2	18.7	40.98	37.97	-3.01
Bangladesh	Jan	0.051	0.036	0.051	0.036	-0.014
South India	Jan	16.22	13.43	16.22	13.43	-2.79

(Source: Africa Tea Brokers/National Brokers Ltd)

MOMBASA AUCTION OF 20TH, 21ST & 22ND MARCH 2023

There was fairly good but irregular demand for the 206,857 packages (13,861,988.00 kilos) on offer with 30.92% remaining unsold.

Pakistan Packers, UK, Yemen and other Middle Eastern countries maintained useful activity with reduced enquiry from Egyptian Packers and Afghanistan. Iran lent more support with Sudan active but selective. Russia, Kazakhstan and other CIS states showed more selective interest while Bazaar were quiet. Local Packers were less active with Somalia active but at lower levels.

BP1: Best – Very irregular following quality with some teas firm to USC22 dearer and select invoices appreciating by USC62, USC83 and USC104 while others eased by up to USC38. Brighter – Varied between steady to USC15 dearer to easier by up to USC16 with a few invoices shedding USC36. Mediums – KTDA mediums were irregular and ranged between firm to USC21 dearer to USC10 below previous prices. Plantation mediums saw reduced competition and lost up to USC19 but select improved invoices gained up to USC28. Lower Mediums –Irregularly dearer by up to USC42 with a few teas however losing up to USC6. Plainer – Were irregular varying between firm to USC10 dearer to easier by up to USC13.

PF1: Best – Were easier by up to USC20. Brighter – Saw less competition at steady to USC20 below last rates with select invoices losing up to USC64. Mediums – KTDA mediums were firm to USC14 easier while plantation mediums shed up to USC26, but a few teas advanced by up to USC8. Lower Mediums – Were irregular ranging between steady to USC22 dearer to easier by up to USC38. Plainer – Varied between firm to USC12 dearer to easier by USC14 below with a few lines discounted by USC28 and USC29.

PDUST: Best – Were irregular varying between firm to USC16 dearer to easier by up to USC30. Brighter – Ranged between steady to USC14 dearer to easier by up to USC11. Mediums – KTDA mediums were firm to USC12 below previous levels while plantation mediums shed up to USC16. Lower Medium – Met reduced competition and lost up to USC33. Plainer – Were easier by up to USC34.

DUST1: Best – Varied between steady to USC12 above last levels to easier by up to USC9. Brighter – Were irregular ranging between firm to USC9 dearer to easier by up to USC4. Mediums – KTDA mediums varied between steady to USC10 dearer to easier by up to USC8 while plantation mediums saw improved interest and were firm to USC20 above previous rates. Lower Medium – Varied between dearer by USC10 to easier by USC13. Plainer – Shed up to USC19.

(Courtesy - Africa Tea Brokers Limited)

GUWAHATI AUCTION OF 21ST MARCH 2023

Good demand at irregular levels following quality. (Based on ABL 67% and PAR 76%). HUL / Western India / Northern India / Internals operating.

(Courtesy - Associated Brokers Pvt. Ltd., Guwahati)

MALAWI AUCTION OF 22ND MARCH 2023

Less and selective demand continued at firm to few cents dearer where sold for the 6900 packages on offer.

- **BP1** Firm on last.
- **PF1** Better liquoring invoices met strong competition at firm to 2 USC dearer, mediums and well sorted invoices held firm where sold.
- **PD** Few selected lines sold at 8 USC below valuation, balance neglected.
- **D1** sold at valuation where sold.
- **PF1SC** Fetched last levels where sold.

Secondaries held firm on last where sold with balance taken out under bids.

(Courtesy - Tea Brokers Central Africa Limited)

BANGLADESH / KOLKATA / JAKARTA AUCTION

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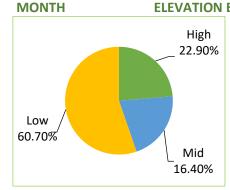
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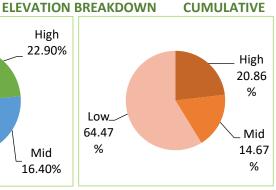
We give below production figures for the month of February 2023, together with the corresponding figures of 2022 (Kgs)

	20)23	2022			OM LAST YEAR
	FEBRUARY	TODATE	FEBRUARY	TODATE	MONTH	CUMULATIVE
ORTHODOX						
High Grown	3,789,557.00	7,050,000.00	3,859,139.00	8,633,822.00	-69,582.00	-1,583,822.00
Medium Grown	2,486,202.00	4,434,312.00	2,286,283.00	5,319,021.00	199,919.00	-884,709.00
Low Grown	10,632,527.00	22,902,696.00	10,165,119.00	22,715,480.00	467,408.00	187,216.00
Total	16,908,286.00	34,387,008.00	16,310,541.00	36,668,323.00	597,745.00	-2,281,315.00
СТС						
High Grown	404,264.00	691,122.00	388,510.00	945,244.00	15,754.00	-254,122.00
Medium Grown	487,341.00	963,307.00	472,303.00	1,225,106.00	15,038.00	-261,799.00
Low Grown	724,927.00	1,571,720.00	844,266.00	1,770,467.00	-119,339.00	-198,747.00
Total	1,616,532.00	3,226,149.00	1,705,079.00	3,940,817.00	-88,547.00	-714,668.00
TOTAL BLACK TE						
High Grown	4,193,821.00	7,741,122.00	4,247,649.00	9,579,066.00	-53,828.00	-1,837,944.00
Medium Grown	2,973,543.00	5,397,619.00	2,758,586.00	6,544,127.00	214,957.00	-1,146,508.00
Low Grown	11,357,454.00	24,474,416.00	11,009,385.00	24,485,947.00	348,069.00	-11,531.00
Total	18,524,818.00	37,613,157.00	18,015,620.00	40,609,140.00	509,198.00	-2,995,983.00
GREEN TEA						
High Grown	93,546.00	177,049.00	89,025.00	207,837.00	4,521.00	-30,788.00
Medium Grown	96,182.00	173,820.00	58,307.00	163,971.00	37,875.00	9,849.00
Low Grown	708.00	1,200.00	507.00	509.00	201.00	691.00
Total	190,436.00	352,069.00	147,839.00	372,317.00	42,597.00	-20,248.00
TOTAL TEA PROD	DUCTION					
High Grown	4,287,367.00	7,918,171.00	4,336,674.00	9,786,903.00	-49,307.00	-1,868,732.00
Medium Grown	3,069,725.00	5,571,439.00	2,816,893.00	6,708,098.00	252,832.00	-1,136,659.00
Low Grown	11,358,162.00	24,475,616.00	11,009,892.00	24,486,456.00	348,270.00	-10,840.00
Total	18,715,254.00	37,965,226.00	18,163,459.00	40,981,457.00	551,795.00	-3,016,231.00

ANALYSIS OF TEA PRODUCTION %

	MONTH	CUMULATIVE
High Grown	22.90	20.86
Medium Grown	16.40	14.67
Low Grown	60.70	64.47
Total	100.00	100.00





CTC PRODUCTION AS A PERCENTAGE OF BLACK TEA PRODUCTION

Month 8.7 Cumulative 8.6