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FOR THE ATTENTION OF SELLERS/BROKERS

Cataloguing Rules and Minimum and Maximum Packing Densities

At the Committee Meeting held this afternoon, the following decisions were made on Cataloguing Rules and Minimum and Maximum Packing Densities.

Cataloguing Rules

Considering the low crops, with effect from the catalogues due to close on 12th of January 2023 (Sale No 5 – 30th/31st January 2023), the Cataloguing Rules have been changed as follows;

Main Sale Teas

A factory will be permitted to catalogue a maximum of 3 lots of **any grade**, in any combination of 10/15 bags or 20 bags or 30 bags.

Ex-Estate Sale

Factories selling in the Ex-Estate catalogue shall be permitted to offer a combination of 6 lots comprising of a maximum of 3x10 bags and 3x20 bags or 6x20 bags. This would be applicable for all grades.

CTC Teas

All CTC factories are permitted to catalogue a combination of 12 lots comprising of 3x10 bags and the remainder in 20 bag breaks of BP1 and PF1 grades in the Ex-Estate catalogue.

In addition, it should be noted that unlimited 40 bags lines are permitted to be catalogued in both Ex-Estate and Main Sale catalogues.

Please note that the rules are applied to the MF/BF/RT numbers and not on selling marks, per factory per sale.

This rule will be applicable up to and including Sale No 13 of 28th/29th March 2023, for which catalogues close on 9th of March 2023.

Grades Nomenclature with Corresponding Minimum and Maximum Packing Densities

We refer to the Circular No 48 of 2020 dated 9th October 2020 under the above caption.

It has been decided to amend the Circular where the **minimum** packing densities identified per grade has been removed until further notice.

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