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KENYA TEA INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS FOR JULY 2019

PRODUCTION

Tea production for the month of July 2019 decreased to 31.45 Million Kgs compared to 35.27 Million Kgs recorded during the corresponding month of 2018. Lower production was attributed to less precipitation recorded in the tea growing regions particularly in the West of Rift, consequent to which the region's output declined from 26.52 Million Kgs to 23.90 Million Kgs. Production within the East of Rift decreased marginally from 8.75 Million Kgs to 7.55 Million Kgs. Notably, owing to cold and wet weather conditions experienced in all tea growing areas, production for the month of July was however lower than that of June 2019, which stood at 42.42 Million Kgs. Across the sub-sectors, production within the Smallholder sub-sector recorded a marginal decline from 16.84 Million Kgs to 16.13 Million Kgs while that of the Plantation sub-sector decreased from 18.43 Million Kgs to 15.32 Million Kgs.

Cumulative production for the period Jan-July was 8.34% lower to stand at 244.06 Million Kgs against 266.27 Million Kgs recorded during the corresponding period of 2018 owing to severe hot and dry weather conditions and late onset of the Long rains experienced during the first quarter of the year as well as depressed rainfall conditions during the month of April and May. West of Rift region was the most affected with output having dropped by 9.39%. The decline in the East of Rift over the seven months period was 6.26%.

Table 1: Production by Sub-Sector and Region (2019 vis-à-vis 2018)

Sector	Region	July 2019	July 2018	Variance	Var.(%)	Jan - July 2019	Jan - July 2018	Variance +/-	Var.(%)
Plantation	West of Rift	14,154,759	17,292,180	- 3,137,421	-18.14%	96,838,939	106,359,311	- 9,520,372	-8.95%
	East of Rift	1,168,120	1,142,588	25,532	2.23%	8,063,629	8,205,079	- 141,450	-1.72%
	Total	15,322,879	18,434,768	- 3,111,889	-16.88%	104,902,568	114,564,390	- 9,661,822	-8.43%
Smallholder	West of Rift	9,745,418	9,233,981	511,437	5.54%	63,384,259	70,471,068	- 7,086,809	-10.06%
	East of Rift	6,390,195	7,609,411	- 1,219,216	-16.02%	75,779,858	81,237,802	- 5,457,944	-6.72%
	Total	16,135,613	16,843,392	- 707,779	-4.20%	139,164,117	151,708,870	- 12,544,753	-8.27%
Plantation & Smallholder									
	West of Rift	23,900,177	26,526,161	- 2,625,984	-9.90%	160,223,198	176,830,379	- 16,607,181	-9.39%
	East of Rift	7,558,315	8,751,999	- 1,193,684	-13.64%	83,843,487	89,442,881	- 5,599,394	-6.26%
	Total	31,458,492	35,278,160	- 3,819,668	-10.83%	244,066,685	266,273,260	- 22,206,575	-8.34%

TEA SALES**AUCTION**

During the month of July, 32.05 Million kgs of Kenyan tea was sold through Mombasa Auction against 33.79 Million kgs recorded in same period of last year. The average tea auction prices for Kenyan tea for the month USD 1.99 per Kg which was lower compared to 2.49 recorded in July 2018.

The Average Auction price for the period January- July 2019 stood at USD 2.20 per Kg compared to 2.71 per kg for the same period of last year.

EXPORTS

The total export volume for the month of July 2019 was 40.59 Million Kgs compared to 31.52 Million Kgs recorded same period of last year, representing a 29% increase. During the month, Kenya tea was shipped to forty six (46) export destinations compared to forty one (41) destinations for the same period of last year. Amongst these markets, Pakistan was the leading export destination for Kenyan tea having imported 15.31 Million Kgs, accounting for 38% of the total export volume. Other key export destinations for Kenyan tea were Egypt (6.31 Million Kgs), UK (4.30 Million Kgs), Sudan (2.18 Million Kgs), Yemen (1.61 Million Kgs), UAE (1.28 Million Kgs), Russia (1.12 Million Kgs), Kazakhstan (1.01 Million Kgs), Afghanistan (0.98 Million kgs) and Saudi Arabia (0.59 Million Kgs).

Amongst the emerging markets that recorded significantly higher tea imports from Kenya included Chile, Indonesia, India, China, Netherlands, Japan, Ireland, Somalia, Chad, Malaysia, USA, Mauritius and Germany.

The total export volume for the period January-July 2019 stood at 292.60 Million Kgs compared to 273.09 Million Kgs recorded same period of last year.

LOCAL SALES

Local tea Sales for July 2019 stood at 2.85 Million Kgs against 3.75 Million Kgs for the corresponding period of 2018 while cumulative tea sales for the seven months upto July 2019 was 24.12 Million Kgs against 23.71 Million Kgs for the same period of last year.

29th AUGUST, 2019

Table 3: Kenya Tea Exports by Destination (July 2019 vis-à-vis July 2018)

DESTINATION	2019 - QUANTITY (KGS)	2018 - QUANTITY (KGS)	QUANTITY diff	%AGE variance
PAKISTAN	15,313,172	9,254,998	6,058,174	65%
EGYPT	6,318,869	5,595,523	723,346	13%
UK	4,300,310	2,600,873	1,699,437	65%
SUDAN	2,189,371	1,197,087	992,284	83%
YEMEN	1,616,100	1,175,000	441,100	38%
UAE	1,288,442	364,600	923,842	253%
RUSSIA	1,127,501	1,896,462	- 768,961	-41%
KAZAKHSTAN	1,011,012	657,983	353,029	54%
AFGHANISTAN	984,516	3,220,907	- 2,236,391	-69%
SAUDI ARABIA	598,179	672,744	- 74,565	-11%
CHILE	556,457	243,660	312,797	128%
INDONESIA	444,520	119,948	324,572	271%
INDIA	386,396	90,618	295,778	326%
CHINA	372,706	115,492	257,214	223%
NETHERLANDS	351,524	121,780	229,744	189%
IRAN	347,617	479,298	- 131,681	-27%
JAPAN	322,400	128,900	193,500	150%
IRELAND	309,676	116,378	193,298	166%
SOMALIA	305,012	75,773	229,239	303%
JORDAN	260,000	262,000	- 2,000	-1%
UKRAINE	233,425	247,786	- 14,361	-6%
CHAD	206,699	45,900	160,799	350%
SOUTH SUDAN	200,357	-	200,357	0%
POLAND	170,188	589,992	- 419,804	-71%
MALAYSIA	169,059	82,957	86,102	104%
TURKEY	152,128	323,053	- 170,925	-53%
USA	139,251	90,822	48,429	53%
ERITREA	130,000	-	130,000	0%
SWITZERLAND	92,090	653,260	- 561,170	-86%
NIGERIA	85,000	403,200	- 318,200	-79%
MAURITIUS	77,500	45,000	32,500	72%
SOUTH AFRICA	74,440	-	74,440	0%
GERMANY	72,140	27,200	44,940	165%
UZBEKISTAN	67,514	-	67,514	0%
EPZ	60,000	-	60,000	0%
OMAN	47,136	73,875	- 26,739	-36%
SRI LANKA	41,600	130,214	- 88,614	-68%
QATAR	41,041	-	41,041	0%
SINGAPORE	28,400	26,000	2,400	9%
MYANMAR	25,873	-	25,873	0%
BELGIUM	25,200	-	25,200	0%
TAIWAN	18,000	-	18,000	0%
CANADA	16,328	108,640	- 92,313	-85%
MACAU	10,000	-	10,000	0%
BRAZIL	6,000	-	6,000	0%
ITALY	4,600	-	4,600	0%
CHECH REP	-	50	- 50	0%
DJIBOUTI	-	14,000	- 14,000	0%
GEORGIA	-	4,960	- 4,960	0%
GUINEA	-	5,472	- 5,472	0%
HONG KONG	-	11,500	- 11,500	0%
MOROCCO	-	6,580	- 6,580	0%
NEW ZEALAND	-	248,264	- 248,264	0%
TOTAL	40,597,748	31,528,749	9,068,999	29%

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DESTINATION	2019 - QUANTITY (KGS)	2018 - QUANTITY (KGS)	QUANTITY diff	%AGE variance
PAKISTAN	105,785,949	99,730,372	6,055,577	6%
EGYPT	57,055,983	36,927,444	20,128,539	55%
UK	26,594,380	28,408,425	-1,814,045	-6%
UAE	15,075,656	19,452,777	-4,377,121	-23%
SUDAN	12,830,184	10,062,227	2,767,957	28%
RUSSIA	10,377,744	11,977,914	-1,600,170	-13%
YEMEN	8,536,610	9,186,360	-649,750	-7%
AFGHANISTAN	6,908,778	7,803,846	-895,068	-11%
KAZAKSTAN	4,783,265	4,667,746	115,519	2%
IRAN	4,221,706	2,563,431	1,658,275	65%
SAUDI ARABIA	3,791,904	3,179,204	612,700	19%
SWITZERLAND	3,437,804	2,685,504	752,300	28%
POLAND	2,916,145	3,768,898	-852,753	-23%
NIGERIA	2,763,927	3,071,765	-307,838	-10%
IRELAND	2,474,914	1,719,503	755,411	44%
NETHERLANDS	2,124,776	790,886	1,333,890	169%
SOMALIA	1,942,481	2,489,221	-546,740	-22%
INDIA	1,940,688	956,397	984,291	103%
JORDAN	1,789,084	1,498,927	290,157	19%
CHINA	1,555,718	611,053	944,665	155%
TURKEY	1,501,468	2,395,103	-893,635	-37%
JAPAN	1,434,440	1,421,837	12,603	1%
INDONESIA	1,421,796	1,278,638	143,158	11%
USA	1,269,463	1,888,600	-619,137	-33%
CHILE	1,125,716	1,838,998	-713,282	-39%
MALAYSIA	1,081,099	752,764	328,335	44%
UKRAINE	936,312	927,868	8,444	1%
BANGLADESH	874,627	152,772	721,855	473%
CHAD	751,058	404,993	346,065	85%
SOUTH AFRICA	584,456	363,673	220,783	61%
CANADA	554,964	416,994	137,970	33%
QATAR	524,859	-	524,859	0%
OMAN	452,255	208,976	243,279	116%
SRI LANKA	448,383	487,165	-38,782	-8%
GERMANY	419,668	409,420	10,248	3%
UZBEKISTAN	392,464	410,596	-18,132	-4%
ERITREA	259,920	169,204	90,716	54%
SOUTH SUDAN	200,357	173,097	27,260	16%
DJIBOUTI	183,375	373,236	-189,861	-51%
MAURITIUS	179,500	96,465	83,035	86%
GHANA	149,432	327,240	-177,808	-54%
SINGAPORE	126,995	76,268	50,727	67%
MYANMAR	112,143	8,099	104,044	1285%
NEW ZEALAND	101,360	407,932	-306,572	-75%
VIETNAM	88,000	130,312	-42,312	-32%
BEIGIUM	82,800	17,840	64,960	364%
TAIWAN	77,790	168,715	-90,925	-54%
EPZ	74,034	5,645,738	-5,571,704	-99%
HONG KONG	56,700	141,411	-84,711	-60%
AZERBAIJAN	27,903	42,706	-14,803	-35%
KYRGYZSTAN	23,809	21,347	2,462	12%
BRAZIL	21,000	110,269	-89,269	-81%
GIBRALTAR	20,696	-	20,696	0%
BURKINA FASO	20,696	-	20,696	0%
AUSTRALIA	17,190	2,292	14,898	650%
GUINEA	16,416	21,888	-5,472	-25%
ITALY	16,100	18,288	-2,188	-12%
PALAU	15,332	-	15,332	0%
ARGENTINA	12,000	-	12,000	0%
MACAU	10,000	7,500	2,500	33%
LITHUANIA	8,986	7,500	1,486	20%
MOROCCO	8,071	29,496	-21,425	-73%
MOZAMBIQUE	7,800	-	7,800	0%
IVORY COAST	5,174	-	5,174	0%
CZECH REPUBLIC	300	150	150	0%
BOTSWANA	-	100	-100	0%
BULGARIA	-	5,156	-5,156	0%
COMOROS	-	3,125	-3,125	0%
D R CONGO	-	16,409	-16,409	0%
DUTY FREE SHOPS	-	1,476	-1,476	0%
FRANCE	-	218	-218	0%
GEORGIA	-	28,610	-28,610	0%
GREECE	-	4,660	-4,660	0%
GRENANDA	-	24,830	-24,830	0%
IRAQ	-	2	-2	0%
ISRAEL	-	4,074	-4,074	0%
KOREA	-	616	-616	0%
KUWAIT	-	3,054	-3,054	0%
LATVIA	-	9,400	-9,400	0%
LIBERIA	-	90	-90	0%
MALI	-	3	-3	0%

NORWAY	-	896	-896	0%
RWANDA	-	2,027	-2,027	0%
SEYCHELLES	-	3,360	-3,360	0%
TANZANIA	-	50,687	-50,687	0%
UGANDA	-	31,506	-31,506	0%
TOTAL	292,604,603	273,097,589	19,507,014	7%