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†KvbnU gj-Z Avmvg Rv‡Zi | Gi KvÛ mYng I mnyeb" | Ges cPiż kvLv-ckvLv wenkó | kvLv-ckvLv cöq Lvav Mo‡bi (Semi orthotropic) mnye | Z | QuUvB DËi bZb wKkj‡qi AvMgb I ew> h‡_ó m‡šíIRbK | MvQnUi cvZvi is nvj Kv meß, gvSvni AvKwZi-mvgvb" ck ", D³4j I gmY | cvZv Kv‡Ûi m‡½ wKQbv Lvav Ae "vb wenkó (Semi-erect leaf pose) | cvZvi AMÖFvM mvgvb" mnybn @ Ges cwi mxgv myg LvßkvUv (Uniformly serrated) | PqbZj (Plucking table) †ek Nb Ges cPiż Pqb‡hvM" cjæ wenkó | Pqbcjæ†Kvqj I qvSvni AvKwZi |

mviul 1. nenU19 I nUmf1 Gi Zżbygj-K Avn/2K ^enkó"

µııgK bs	^e ik ó"	G/17/7 (†U÷ †K+b)	nUwF1 (gvbnbqvgK)
1.	100 me R i ‡Ui Rb- Fresh weight of (g) 100 shoot- (2L+B)	96.50	77.5
2.	i'U WiB g''UVi - Shoot dry matter (%)	22.75	17.10
3.	itui Mo ``N''- Shoot length (cm) - (2L+B)	8.15	6.35
4.	CWi YZ CVZVi $f \Re \hat{I} dj$ - Mature leaf area (cm ²)	45.00	36.50
5.	cî dj‡Ki ^`N" - Leaf lamina length (cm)	12.50	11.69
6.	cÎ dj‡Ki cÜ - Leaf lamina breadth (cm)	5.30	5.50
7.	cÑZ cÎ dj †K eţj kb msL"v - No. of bullation/leaf	13.75	12.10
8.	$CNZ C \hat{I} dj \dagger K LVLR i msL V - No. of serration/leaf$	82.60	81.00
9.	tdg di‡gkb chubs G chub BKZ.Wv‡j i msL v - No. of pruning sticks/bush at FFP	18.50	15.10
10.	†dg di‡gkb chubs G chubs G vuvBKZ.Wv‡j i Mo I Rb-Weight of pruning litter/bush at FFP (kg)	1.30	1.10
11.	CWKs C‡q‡Ui NbZ _F Plucking point density /bush/year	455	395
12	wcDwemm"vÝ Gi msL"v- Pubescence (4×10x)	1520	1580

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mvi ul 2: nenU19 I nUnF1 Gi Zizbygj-K ‡kKo MRv‡byi ¶gZv

†K#tbi mvs‡KwZK bvg	bvmmi ‡Z ‡KKo MRv‡bvi ¶gZv
G/17/7 (†U÷ †K#b)	90-95%
uUwF1 (gvbubqvgK)	75-80%

‡kKo MRv‡bv= Lyy fvj = >90%, fvj =>75% - <90%, ga~g=<75%

Drcv`ubK ^eukó"

tKvb wewU19 Ges gvb wbqvgK wUwf1 Gi Zizbvgj-K Drcv`b mvi wY 3 I mvi wY 4 G cliënj | mvi wY 3 G ewYZ `xN\gammagqv`x gvV cix\frac{n}{2}t i dj vdj ntZ cliZqgvb nq th, Acwi YZ Ae vq (1g ntZ 5g ermi) G/17/7 tKvbwUi evwl \tilde{K} Mo Drcv`b wQj tn±i cliZ 1559 tKwR (1g ermtii Drcv`b wetqvRb Kti), Ges 1300 tKwR (1g ermtii Drcv`b msthvRb Kti) | Zizbvgj-Kfvte GKB mgtq, gvb wbqvgK wUwf1 tKvbwUi evwl \tilde{K} Mo Drcv`b wQj tn±i cliZ 1625 tKwR (1g ermtii Drcv`b wetqvRb Kti), Ges 1341 tKwR (1g ermtii Drcv`b msthvRb Kti) |

mviul 4 Gi Z_"vbrynti cwi YZ eqmKvtj †K+bnUi 12 eQtii (60 - 17Zg ermi) Mo Drcv`b nQj cliZ tn±ti 3877 †KnR ^Zwi Pv, Acict¶ Zizbvgj-Kfvte GKB mgtq gvb nbqvgtKi †¶tî Zv nQj 3281 †KnR ^Zwi Pv| †ivcY cieZx® 13Zg ermti †K+bnUi †n±i cliZ Drcv`b nQj 4,860 †KnR| hv nenU19 †K+bnUi cix¶Y Pj vKvj xb †Kvb GKK ermti †i KWRZ.mtePP Drcv`b | H GKB ermti gvb nbqvgtKi †i KWRZ.mtePP Drcv`b nQj †n±i cliZ 3988 †KnR ^Zwi Pv| nenU19 Gi Mo Drcv`b Acwi YZ eqmKvtj gvb nbqvgtKi †Ptq hn`l Kg nQj (mvinl 3) cieZxPZ cwi YZ Ae¯vq 12 eQtii Mo Drcv`b gvb nbqvgtKi †Ptq 18% †ekx nQj (mvinl 5)|

mvi ul 3. Acui YZ Ae 'vq (1g-5g ermi) wew119 I wUwf1 Gi Zżbvgj-K 'Zwi Pv Drcv' b (†KwR/‡n.)

	AcwiYZ (1g - 5g ermi)									
†K⊮b	1g ww-‡m>Uwi s /†eûKs	2q c ål bsKZ.	*3q w~d c ü bs	4_' GdGdiic c ä ibs	5g w⁻∢d c äu bs	Мо				
G/17/7	265	704	1057	1570	2903	1300/1559**				
nUwf1	225	636	1168	1701	2976	1341/1625**				

^{*}Livi ermi, **c<u>0</u>g erm‡ii dj b ms‡hvRb K‡i/we‡qvRb K‡i/

mviul 4. cwi YZ Ae 'vq (6ô-17Zg ermi) wew19 I wUwf1 Gi Zizbvgj-K 'Zwi Pv Drcv'b (†KwR/‡n.)

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	-	Gm	Gg Gm	Gm	Gj NC	wW	Gg	Gj	Gj	wW	Gg	Gj
	WC	GIII	GIII	GIII	WC	Gm	Gm	Gm	IIC	Gm	Gm	Gm
G/17/7	2564	3547	4147	4273	2773	3685	4453	4860	3904	3943	3814	4556
uUwF1	2404	2893	3389	3852	1739	2828	4274	3988	3191	3365	3465	3979

mvi nV 5.ueuU19 I uUvf1 Gi cwi YZ Ae vq (6ô-17Zg ermi) 3 uU cânbs P‡µi Mo Zizbvgj-K ^Zwi Pv Drcv`b (†KwR/‡n.)

	12 eQ‡i 3 nL							
†K⊮b		Drcv`b						
	j vBU climbs	₩c w~d	uguWqvg w⁻∢d	j vBU w⁻∢d				
G/17/7	3081	3725	4138	4563	3877	DËg		
nUwF1	2445	3029	3709	3940	3281	AwZ DËg		

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wenU19 †KvbnU n‡Z Drcwi Z ~Zwi Pv‡qi ¸YMZgvb m‡š\llRbK | Gi QvKnb cvZvi eY©LsyB D¾jj | wj Kvi i nOb, D¾j | 1 †mB ms‡M mRxeZv I `pZvm¤úbd; mvneRgvb nePv‡i nenU19 Gi ¸YMZgvb‡K ÔDËgÕ (Above average) gvb nn‡m‡e MY" Kiv hvq (me\$gvU 50 b¤‡ii g‡a" cÕB b¤† 32 Gi mgvb A_ev Zvi †P‡q †ekx nKš' 34 Gi Kg n‡j , Av¯v`b`bx gj-"vqb‡K ÔDËgÕ ¸YMZgvb nePvi Kiv nq) | †ckv`vi Pv Av¬v`b`KMYI (Professional Tea Tasters') Abiyac gZ cKvk K‡i‡Qb|

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Drcv`b I ¸YMZgvb gj-"vqtb wewU19 ‡KvbwU‡K GKwU ÛAv`k $^{\circ}$ †KvbŪ wn‡m‡e MY" Kiv hvq| †Kv¢bi DËg Drcv`b Ges DËg ¸YMZgvb‡K (Above average yield and quality) A_ $^{\circ}$ P, †n±i cåZ Mo Drcv`b >3000 - 4000 †KwR ^Zwi Pv Ges ¸YMZgv‡bi † $^{-}$ vi \geq 32 - <34 Gi g‡a" (me‡gvU 50 b¤‡ii g‡a") n‡j, Gifc gj-"vqb‡K ÛAv`k $^{\circ}$ Kv¢Ū wn‡m‡e MY" Kiv nq|

Liv mnbkxj Zv

†KvbwU ht_ó ewj ô Ges Kómwnòż cix¶?YKvtj †`Lv †MtQ †KvbwUi Liv mnbkxj Zv LyB mtš\li RbK (Highly drought tolerant) |

mvi ul 6. Li vq (drought stress) weill 19 I illur 1 Gi Zizbvgj-K kvi xi e Exq Ae v

µigK bs	^e vk ó"	G/17/7 (†U÷ †K\b)	uUwF1 (gvbubqvgK)
1.	3q eQ‡i ‡kK‡oi Mo Mfxi Zv (†m.vg)	32	28.75
2.	i aU-i' U AbışııZ	0.35	0.24
3.	<i>‡cầij b Kb‡lbU</i> - Proline content (µmol/g fr. wt)	0.61	0.55
4.	wj d I qvUvi †cv‡Ubwkqvj - Leaf water potential (LWP*-bar)	9.50	10.30
5.	†gvU †Kr‡i wdj Gi cwi gvY - Total chlorophyll (mg g-¹)	2.05	1.95
6.	†K⊮‡i wdj ÷ wewj wU Bb‡W∙ (CSI%)	92.00	88.00
7.	$mv^{\dagger}j VKms^{\dagger}kMYGi CWigVY$ - Photosynthesis (μ mol m- 2 s- 1)	9.50	8.95
8.	C^{\bullet} b Gi $CwigvY$ - Transpiration (m.mol m- 2 s- 1)	1.95	2.15
9.	CWND e envii ¶gZv - Water use efficiency (µmol/m mol)	5.12	4.85
10.	wi‡jıUf wj d I qvUvi Kb‡UvU (RWC%)	74.00	69.00

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Dc‡hıMx cÖ ZcÖvj x

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mviul 7. wewU19 I wUwf1 Gi Dc‡hvMx cÜ ZcÖVyj xi Zjzbv

†K#b	1g AMünaKvi (1st preference)	2q AMmaKvi (2nd preference)
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RELEASE OF CLONE BT19

Introduction

A group of plants raised vegetatively from a single plant is called clone and the method of propagation is called clonal propagation. Clonal selection method is a useful and very common method of developing improved planting materials of tea in all tea growing countries. Clones are playing a significant role in improving yield and quality of Bangladesh tea. In order to improve yield and quality of Bangladesh tea, Bangladesh Tea Research Institute has been trying to transfuse the industry with improved planting materials. As an outcome of the selection and hybridization works of Botany division, Bangladesh Tea Research Institute so far released 18 improved clones for the tea industry in three categories such as standard, yield and quality clones. With the continuation of clonal development process, BTRI has now announces the release of another improved standard Clone in the name BT19 in its released series of vegetative clones. The accession number of this clone during selection and trial period was A/17/7.

Source and selection of BT19

The clone BT19 was originally selected from Section 17 of Amo Tea Estate of Duncan Brothers (Bangladesh) Limited. The tea estate is situated at drought prone area of Luskerpore Valley. Clonal selection work was initiated in this section during 1993 under the "selection programme" of the Division. The particular bush A/17/7 was selected on 26.07.1993 and data were recorded for preliminary selection.

After rooting trial in the nursery the selected bush, namely A/17/7 along with three other test clones were put to long term yield and quality trial during 1996 at BTRI Farm. The experiment was laid out in a 5×5 Latin Square Design with $105\text{cm} \times 60\text{cm}$ spacing. Tocklai released 1^{st} clone TV1 was used as a standard for yield and quality comparison. The test clone coded as A/17/7 appeared quite potential in respect of yield, quality, nursery rooting, drought tolerance and other field performances.

Morphological characteristics of BT19

Morphologically, the plant falls under light-leaved Assam agrotype. The clone has heavy girth with quite satisfactory spread and profuse branching. The plant has medium bush with semi-orthotropic growth habit. The growth and response of new flash is very well after pruning. Leaves are light green, medium-slightly broad in size, glossy and smooth with semi-erect leaf pose. Leaf apex is prominent with uniformly serrated margin. The plucking shoots are soft, medium sized, dense and evenly distributed on the plucking table.

Table-1. Comparative study of morphological characteristics of BT19 and TV1

Serial No.	Characteristics	A/17/7 (Test	TV1 (Control)
		clone)	
1.	100 fresh shoot weight (g) (2L+B)	96.50	77.5
2.	Shoot dry matter (%)	22.75	17.10
3.	Shoot length (cm)- (2L+B)	8.15	6.35
4.	Mature leaf area (cm ²)	45	36.50
5.	Leaf lamina length (cm)	12.50	11.69
6.	Leaf lamina breadth (cm)	5.30	4.50
7.	No. of bullation/leaf	13.75	12.10
8.	No. of serration/leaf	82.60	81
9.	No. of pruning sticks/bush at FFP	18.50	15.10
10.	Wt(kg) of pruning litter/bush at FFP	1.30	1.10
11.	Number of Plucking point /bush/year	455	395
12.	Pubescence (4×10x)	1520	1580

Nursery performance

The clone BT19 strikes very well in the nursery. The clone exhibits uniform and vigorous growth in the nursery.

Table-2. Comparative study of nursery performance of BT19 and TV1

Accession number of the clone	Rooting ability of clone
A/17/7 (Test clone)	90-95%
TV1 (Control)	75-80%

Rooting ability: Very good = >90%, Good= >75-<90%, Medium= <75%

Yield performance

The comparative yield performance of the clone BT19 and control TV1 is shown in Table-3 and Table-4. According to Table-3, in the experimental plot average yield at immature stage (1st -5th year) was recorded to be 1559 kg (excluding 1st year yield) compared to 1625 kg for the control TV1. Whereas, the average yield of BT19 was 1300 kg (including the 1st year yield) made tea per hectare compared to 1341 kg for the control TV1.

At mature stage, twelve year's average $(6^{th} - 17^{th})$ year) yield of the clone was 3877 kg/ha compared to 3281 kg for the control. In the 13^{th} year after planting the yield of the clone BT19 was recorded to be 4860 kg made tea per hectare. This was the highest yield so far for the clone BT19 in the trial field. The highest yield of the test clone TV1 was recorded to be 3988 kg made tea per hectare at the 13^{th} year after planting. Though the average yield of BT19 was lower than that of control at immature stage, but 18% higher yield was observed of an average of 12 years' yield at the maturity.

Table-3. Comparative yield of BT19 and control TV1 (Made tea kg/ha) at immature stage (1st – 5th year)

		Immature(1 st -5 th year)						
Clone	1 st De- centering	2 nd Pruned	3 rd * Skiff	4 th FFP Pruning	5 th Skiff	Average		
A/17/7 (Test clone)	265	704	1057	1570	2903	1300/1559**		
TV1 (Control)	225	636	1168	1701	2976	1341/1625**		

^{*} Drought year, ** Including/Excluding of 1st year yield.

Table-4. Comparative yield of BT19 and control TV1 (Made tea kg/ha) at mature stage $(6^{th} - 17^{th})$ year)

	Mature (6 th – 17 th year)											
Clone	6th LP	7th DSK	8th MS K	9th LSK	10th LP	11th DSK	12th MS K	13th LSK	14th LP	15th DSK	16th MS K	17th LSK
A/17/7	2564	3547	4147	4273	2773	3685	4453	4860	3904	3943	3814	4556
TV1	2404	2893	3389	3852	1739	2828	4274	3988	3191	3365	3465	3979

Table-5. Comparative yield of 3 pruning cycles of BT19 and control TV1 (Made tea kg/ha) at mature stage $(6^{th} - 17^{th})$ vear)

	8. (-)	,						
	Yield	Yield of 3 pruning cycle at 12 years						
	LP	DSK	MSK	LSK				
A/17/7	3081	3725	4138	4563	3877	AA		
TV1	2445	3029	3709	3940	3281	Е		

Quality performance

BT19 possesses a satisfactory standard of liquor quality. It gives bright infusion. It also gives coloury liquor with useful strength and briskness. It's creaming down quality is also good. The quality of BT19 can be categorized as 'Above average' (having 32 to less than 34 quality score out of 50 is considered as above average quality). Professional tea tasters' comments are also in agreement with the above conclusion.

Clonal category

On the basis of yield and quality performances the clone BT19 can be categorized as a Standard clone. The clone having above average yield and quality i.e. >3000-4000 kg made tea per hectare and 32 to less than 34 quality score out of 50 is considered as standard clone.

Tolerance of drought:

The clone is quite strong and hardy. It has been observed to be highly tolerant to drought. **Table-6.** Physiological condition at drought stress of BT19 and TV1

Serial No.	Characteristics	A/17/7 (Test clone)	TV1 (Control)
1.	Avrg. depth of root at 3 rd year (cm)	32	28.75
2.	Root Shoot Ratio	0.35	0.24
3.	Proline Content (µmol/g fr. wt)	0.61	0.55
4.	Leaf Water Potential (LWP*-bar)	9.50	10.30
5.	Total Chlorophyll (mg g- ¹)	2.05	1.95
6.	Chlorophyll Stability Index (CSI%)	92	88
7.	Photosynthesis (µmol m- ² s- ¹)	9.50	8.95
8.	Transpiration (m.mol m- ² s- ¹)	1.95	2.15
9.	Water Use Efficiency (µmol/m mol)	5.12	4.85
10.	Relative Leaf Water Content (RWC %)	74	69

^{*}Lower value indicates higher degree of drought tolerance.

Tolerance of pests and diseases

It has been observed to be fairly resistant to different pests and diseases during selection and trial period.

Manufacturing preference

The clone will be best suited to Orthodox manufacturing process.

Table-7. Comparative quality study of BT19 and TV1

Clone	1st preference	2nd preference
BT19	Orthodox	CTC (Crush-Tear-Curl)
TV1	CTC	Orthodox

Planting preference

As the clone is a good tolerant to drought, it will be suitable for planting in all tea growing areas of Bangladesh at all faces of tillah slopes as well as in the flat areas.

Release and distribution

The members of the BTRI Research sub-committee in its 71st meeting held on 3rd November, 2015 critically reviewed yield, quality, nursery performances and other aspects of the clone coded as

A/17/7 and approved its release for the industry. Therefore, the clone coded as A/17/7 is now hereby released as BT19. The price of each rooted plant has been fixed at Tk. 20.00. The distribution will start very soon and initially each estate will be supplied with a maximum of ten rooted sapling to initiate their nucleus clone plot. Interested estates are therefore, requested to place their demand as soon as possible. Payment will be accepted in cash or by check/draft in favour of the Director BTRI at the time of delivery the plants.

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