

Market lackluster with positive bias














Domestic Markets*

Index	Level	Chg (pts)	Index	Level	Chg (pts)
Sensex	18,235.76	56.1	Nifty	5,476.60	14.3
BSE Midcap	7,757.05	42.2	Nifty Jr.	11,964.95	35.5
BSE Small cap	9,814.98	55.2	S&P CNX 500	4,599.50	17.5

	Advances	Declines		Today	Previous day
BSE	1623	1353	BSE Volume :	Rs 1837 cr	Rs 1656 cr
NSE	816	500	NSE Volume :	Rs 3917 cr	Rs 4481 cr

Nifty Technical	Support	5447	Resistance	5505
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BSE Sectoral Indices*

Sensex Gainers	LTP	Change			
ITC	163.1	1.7%	FMCG		1.1%
DLF	316.25	1.5%	BANKEX		0.8%
Tata Steel	503	1.2%	PSU		0.7%
SBI	2856.2	1.2%	REALTY		0.5%
Hindalco	165.2	1.1%	AUTO		0.5%
			METAL		0.4%
			CD		0.4%
			CG		0.3%
			POWER		0.2%
			OIL&GAS		0.2%
			HC		0.1%
			TECK		-0.1%
			IT		-0.3%

Top 5 traded scrips in CNX 500

Scrip	Volume	LTP	Change
Unitech Ltd	6,012,204	80.75	0.5%
Suzlon Energy	5,048,432	49.55	-0.1%
Century Plyboard	3,241,742	74.2	9.9%
Sterlite Inds	3,205,922	151.75	-1.3%
Ispat Industries	3,034,606	18.05	0.3%

News and Commentary:

- 1 crore shares of **Piramal Health** is traded in a block deal on BSE today; It is traded at the rate of Rs 504.05 per share
- Indian Rupee** is trading at Rs 46.81 per dollar; Indian rupee is expected to nudge higher today, tracking the dollar's fall versus major currencies and a rise in Asian stock market that could help foreign fund inflow
- WTI Crude** is currently trading at \$72.80 per barrel; Crude Oil rose for a second day today after a five-session losing streak took prices to 11-week lows; We expect a further rise in the prices of crude oil prices taking cues from firm global equity market
- Gold** is trading at \$1239.50 per ounce; It is trading steady today, near its strongest level in eight weeks which was achieved yesterday; In the evening session we have the initial claims numbers data to be released by the US; Any positive surprise in those numbers will result into considerable risk-appetite in the markets, thus pressurizing safe-haven assets like gold

Asian Markets:

Index	Level	Chg (pts)	Index	Level	Chg (pts)
Nikkei 225*	8,894.91	49.5	Taiwan Index	7,693.22	-43.76
Hang Seng 45*	20,619.79	-15.2	Kospi	1,736.05	1.26
SSE Composite*	2,609.01	12.4	Straits Times	2,926.74	0.19

- Japan's Nikkei** average is trading in the positive zone today as the exporters rose, credited to a dwindling of the yen, however the market remained unsuccessful to continue its opening gains
- Hang Seng** index is trading in negative ahead of a slew of key interim results from large Chinese corporations including ICBC and Petrochina

General Information

* Taiwan 50 Index is a capitalization-weighted index of stocks comprises 50 companies listed on the Taiwan Stock Exchange developed by Taiwan Stock Exchange in collaboration with FTSE. Serves as a key market indicator for Taiwan. Base level is 5000 as of April 30, 2002.

* KOSPI Index is a capitalization-weighted index of all common shares on the Korean Stock Exchanges.

* Straits Times Index, calculated and disseminated by FTSE, comprises the top 30 Companies listed on the Singapore Exchange selected by full market capitalization

* Nikkei 225 is stock market index for the Tokyo stock exchange comprising of 225 stocks from various sectors

* Hang Seng 45 is a stock market index for the Hong Kong stock exchange

* SSE Composite is an index that tracks all A-shares and B-shares listed on the Shanghai stock exchange

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