

# Pakistan Weekly Update

Pakistan  
Stock Market



March 22, 2024

## KSE 100 crosses 65k points level

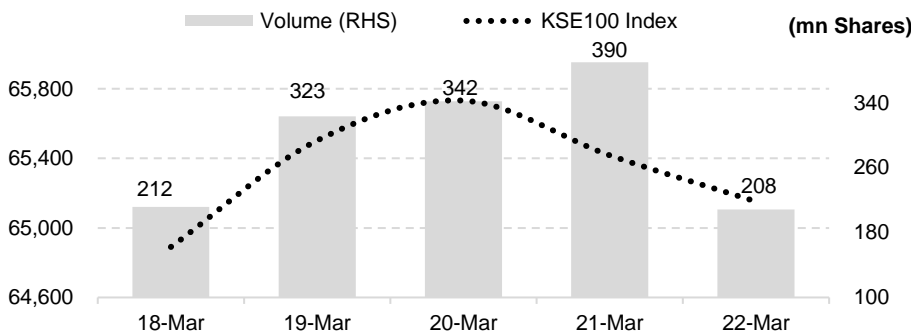
On the opening bell of the week, the market remained mixed since the investors maintained a careful stance as they awaited the monetary policy announcement. Following the MPC's announcement of unchanged policy rate at 22% and signing of staff level agreement with the IMF, the market sentiment revived. The current account reported a surplus of USD 128mn in Feb'24, compared to deficit of USD 303mn in the previous month (Jan'24). Additionally, SBP's foreign exchange reserves climbed up by USD 105mn, crossing USD 8.0bn mark. On the other hand, foreign direct investment (FDI) declined by 17% YoY in the 8MFY24, arriving at USD 821mn. During the week PKR closed at 278.14 against USD, strengthening by PKR 0.60 | 0.22% WoW. Overall, the market closed at 65,152 points, increasing by 335 points | 0.52% WoW.

Sector-wise positive contributions came from i) Fertilizer (475pts), ii) Commercial Banks (309pts), iii) Paper & Board (34pts), iv) Automobile Assemblers (29pts) and v) Tobacco (21pts). Meanwhile, the sectors which negatively contributed were i) Cement (244pts), ii) Oil & Gas Exploration Companies (156pts), iii) Technology & Communication (40pts), iv) Refinery (30pts) and v) Food & Personal care products (24pts). Scrip-wise positive contributors were DAWH (212pts), MEBL (172pts), FFC (164pts), NBP (105pts), and MCB (77pts). Meanwhile, scrip-wise negative contributions came from PPL (117pts), OGDC (115pts), HBL (84pts), SYS (77pts), and LUCK (76pts).

Foreign buying continued during this week, clocking in at USD 2.0mn compared to a net buy of USD 2.7mn last week. Major buying was witnessed in Commercial Banks (USD 0.8mn) and Exploration & Production (USD 0.6mn). On the local front, selling was reported by Companies (USD 9.0mn) followed by Banks/DFIs (USD 5.0mn). Average volumes arrived at 295mn shares (down by 13% WoW) while the average value traded settled at USD 40mn (down 4% WoW).

Other major news: i) Power generation cost rises 8.5 pc YoY ii) ITeS export remittances rise to \$1.977bn YoY, iii) PIA to be prioritised for privatisation, iv) Textile exports surge 19.2pc in Feb, marking third consecutive month of growth, and v) Pakistan's dollar bonds touch two year high.

Figure: KSE100 Index and PSX Volume



Source (s): PSX, AHL Research

## Outlook and Recommendation

With the successful staff level agreement of IMF's SBA program for final tranche, the Government initiated talks with IMF for an EFF program, and any developments in regards to this will bolster positive momentum at the index. Furthermore, scrips are currently trading at attractive valuations which could entice investors. Our preferred stocks are OGDC, MARI, MCB, UBL, MEBL, FABL, HBL, LUCK, MLCF, FCCL, FFC, HUBC, PSO and INDU. The KSE-100 is currently trading at a PER of 4.2x (2024) as compared to its 5-year average of 5.6x offering a dividend yield of ~10.5% as compared to its 5-year average of ~7.6%.

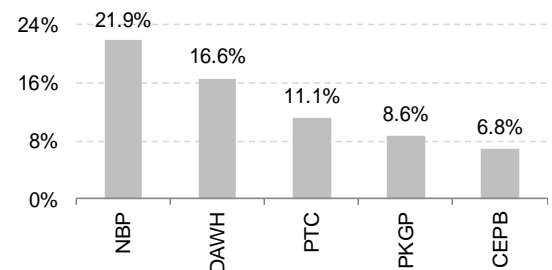
## PSX Indices Performance

Index	Current	WoW (%)	CY24TD (%)
KSE100	65,152	0.5	4.3
KSEAll	43,241	0.2	3.2
KSE30	21,448	(0.5)	3.2
KMI30	109,234	(0.8)	4.3
BKTI	15,998	0.7	7.0
OGTI	15,375	(1.8)	3.5

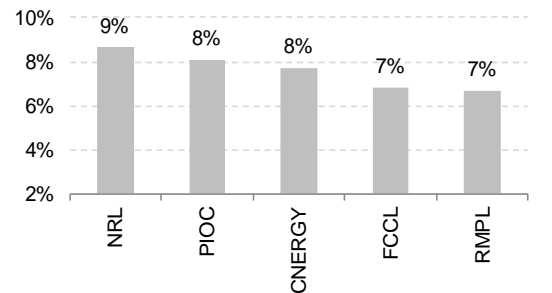
## PSX Volume Leaders

	Avg. Vol. (mn)	Closing
WTL	23.2	1.3
BOP	21.6	5.4
PTC	16.9	14.7
HASCOL	13.6	7.5
KEL	12.4	4.4

## Major Gainers (KSE100 Index)



## Major Losers (KSE100 Index)



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Best Brokerage House  
Best Economic Research  
Corporate Finance House  
Best Equity Sales Person  
(Runner up)

2022

Best Equity Research Analyst



2023

Best Securities House  
Best Investment Bank



2022

Best Equity House

## Business and Economic News of the Week

### IMF says to disburse \$1.1bn after deal struck on final SBA review (The News)

With a clear-headed approach adopted by newly-appointed Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb, Pakistan and the IMF struck a staff-level agreement (SLA) for the completion of the second review and release of the third tranche of \$1.1 billion under the Standby Arrangement (SBA) programme. After striking the SLA, the IMF confirmed that Pakistani authorities expressed interest in a successor medium-term Fund-supported programme to permanently resolve Pakistan's fiscal and external sustainability weaknesses, strengthening its economic recovery and laying the foundation for strong, sustainable and inclusive growth.

### Ogra raises monthly tariff of imported RLNG (BR)

The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) on Wednesday raised the monthly tariff of imported RLNG up to 2.5 per mmbtu for both gas companies- the Sui Northern Gas Pipeline Limited (SNGPL) and the Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC) with retroactive effect from March 1, 2024. The regulator stated that the raise in monthly RLNG rates is due to increase due to an increase in the cost of supply. The OGRA notified the transmission and distribution prices for both gas companies. The price of Sui Northern Gas Pipeline Limited (SNGPL) has increased by 2.58 per mmbtu on a month-to-month basis. The OGRA has fixed the price of RLNG of \$12.8142 per mmbtu for March.

### SC orders bank to pay pension (The News)

The Supreme Court on Wednesday directed the National Bank of Pakistan (NBP) to ensure within a month payment of Rs60 billion as pension to its retired employees. A three-member bench of the apex court headed by Justice Syed Mansoor Ali Shah dismissed the review petition filed by the NBP against its judgment binding the state-owned bank to pay pensions equal to government employees. The court upheld its judgement delivered in 2017, directing the state-owned bank to pay pensions to its more than 11,000 retired employees. In 2017, the apex court had directed the state-owned bank to pay pensions equal to government employees.

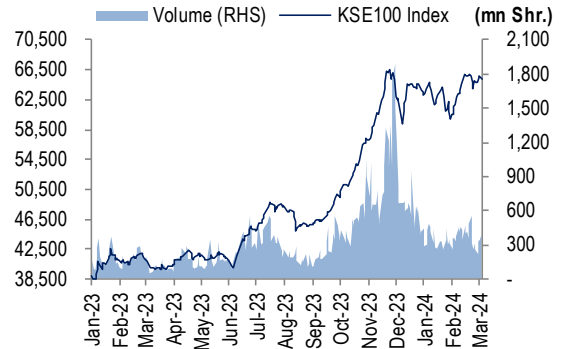
### Discos' tariffs for February: CPPA-G seeks Rs5 per unit positive adjustment (The News)

The Central Power Purchasing Agency-Guaranteed (CPPA-G) has sought a positive adjustment of Rs5 per unit in Discos' tariffs for February 2024 to impose an additional financial burden of Rs65 billion. The National Electric Power Regulator Authority (Nepra) will hold a public hearing on March 28, 2024, on the CPPA-G's request for adjustment in Discos' tariffs. According to the data submitted to Nepra, in February 2024, hydel generation was 1,766 GWh constituting 24.77 per cent of the total generation. The power generation from local coal-fired power plants was 994 GWh in February 2024 which was 13.94 per cent of total generation at a price of Rs14.1867 per unit, whereas, 135 GWh was generated from imported coal at Rs20.02194 per unit (1.89 per cent).

### MTBs auction: govt borrowing well above target (BR)

The federal government has borrowed 100 percent above the target in the Market Treasury Bills (MTBs) auction held on Wednesday. The tentative target for the borrowing through auction of 3-, 6- and 12-months T-bills was set at Rs 340 billion; however, the federal government borrowed Rs 704 billion in the auction held of March 20, 2024. Analysts said that investors aggressively tried to park liquidity at higher yields amid expectation of rate fall in the future.

### PSX Volume and KSE100 Index



### Top Contributors in KSE100 Index

Companies	Index Contribution
<b>Bullish Companies</b>	
DAWH	212.2
MEBL	172.4
FFC	163.6
NBP	104.6
MCB	76.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>729.7</b>

### Bearish Companies

PPL	(116.7)
OGDC	(114.8)
HBL	(84.2)
SYS	(77.4)
LUCK	(76.0)
<b>Total</b>	<b>(469.0)</b>

### Sectors

Sectors	Index Contribution
<b>Bullish Sectors</b>	
Fertilizer	475.2
Commercial Banks	309.4
Paper & Board	33.6
Automobile Assembler	28.5
Tobacco	20.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>867.1</b>

### Bearish Sectors

Cement	(243.6)
Oil & Gas Exploration Companies	(155.8)
Technology & Communication	(39.8)
Refinery	(30.2)
Food & Personal Care Products	(23.5)
<b>Total</b>	<b>(492.7)</b>



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## AHL Universe - Recommendation Summary

Code	Company	Price	TP	Total Return (%)	Stance	EPS (PKR)			DPS (PKR)			P/E (x)		DY (%)		P/B (x)		ROE (%)		Indices		
		22-Mar-24	Dec-24			2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024					
<b>Exploration &amp; Production</b>																						
PPL	Pakistan Petroleum Ltd.	106.0	129.61	22.3	Buy	37.4	39.5	37.4	2.50	3.50	3.50	2.8	2.7	2.4	3.3	0.5	0.5	20.9	18.3	KSE100, KSE30, KMI & MSCI		
OGDC	Oil and Gas Dev Co.	118.0	165.6	40.4	Buy	52.2	45.2	43.5	8.55	9.00	8.75	2.3	2.6	7.2	7.6	0.5	0.4	22.9	17.0	KSE100, KSE30, KMI & MSCI		
POL	Pakistan Oilfields Ltd.	428.1	554.82	29.6	Buy	128.4	120.4	110.8	80.00	76.00	70.00	3.3	3.6	18.7	17.8	1.8	1.7	61.4	49.2	KSE100, KSE30 & MSCI		
MARI	Mari Petroleum Ltd	2,495.0	2,711.4	8.7	Hold	420.7	553.3	609.1	147.00	235.00	280.00	5.9	4.5	5.9	9.4	2.0	1.6	37.5	38.9	KSE100, KSE30, KMI & MSCI		
<b>Commercial Banks</b>																						
UBL	United Bank Ltd.*	176.1	276.0	56.7	Buy	45.0	56.1	52.3	44.00	42.00	39.00	3.9	3.1	25.0	23.8	0.8	0.9	21.4	25.7	KSE100, KSE30 & MSCI		
BAFL	Bank Alfalah*	53.5	69.1	29.2	Buy	23.2	25.9	23.9	8.00	8.00	7.00	2.3	2.1	14.9	14.9	0.6	0.5	30.2	27.8	KSE100 & MSCI		
MCB	MCB Bank Ltd.*	194.9	294.1	50.9	Buy	54.9	61.4	58.7	30.00	34.00	33.00	3.5	3.2	15.4	17.4	1.0	0.9	29.8	29.5	KSE100, KSE30 & MSCI		
HBL	Habib Bank Ltd.*	105.0	158.3	50.8	Buy	39.3	50.2	43.5	9.75	12.00	10.00	2.7	2.1	9.3	11.4	0.4	0.4	17.7	19.4	KSE100, KSE30 & MSCI		
ABL	Allied Bank Ltd.*	85.2	148.8	74.6	Buy	36.1	38.6	33.3	12.00	14.00	12.00	2.4	2.2	14.1	16.4	0.5	0.5	25.2	23.3	KSE100		
NBP	National Bank of Pakistan.*	36.6	47.6	30.1	Buy	25.0	26.0	22.4	-	3.00	2.00	1.5	1.4	-	8.2	0.2	0.2	15.0	13.9	KSE100		
AKBL	Askari Bank Ltd.*	19.5	33.7	72.7	Buy	14.8	15.0	13.8	2.50	5.00	4.00	1.3	1.3	12.8	25.6	0.3	0.3	25.1	21.4	KSE100		
BOP	The Bank of Punjab*	5.4	7.9	45.1	Buy	3.4	3.2	2.9	1.00	0.75	0.50	1.6	1.7	18.4	13.8	0.2	0.2	15.2	12.9	KSE100 & MSCI		
MEBL	Meezan Bank Ltd.*	197.3	240.0	21.7	Buy	47.7	57.7	54.9	20.00	24.00	22.00	4.1	3.4	10.1	12.2	1.9	1.5	55.3	48.5	KSE100, KSE30 & KMI		
FABL	Faysal Bank Ltd.*	31.0	53.4	72.4	Buy	13.3	16.1	14.9	4.00	6.00	6.00	2.3	1.9	12.9	19.4	0.5	0.5	25.1	26.5	KSE100, KMI & MSCI		
<b>Fertilizer</b>																						
ENGRO	Engro Corporation*	340.1	372.1	9.4	Hold	63.9	76.0	85.6	48.00	61.00	69.00	5.3	4.5	14.1	17.9	0.6	0.5	12.2	12.2	KSE100, KSE30, KMI & MSCI		
FFBL	Fauji Fert. Bin Qasim	24.5	29.9	22.0	Buy	3.4	4.6	5.5	1.00	1.00	1.00	7.2	5.3	4.1	-	1.2	1.0	17.7	20.2	KSE100, KMI & MSCI		
EFERT	Engro Fertilizer	144.4							<b>Under Review</b>											KSE100, KSE30, KMI & MSCI		
FFC	Fauji Fertilizer Co.	121.1	152.3	25.7	Buy	23.3	27.7	28.3	15.49	21.00	22.00	5.2	4.4	12.8	17.3	2.5	2.3	52.7	54.9	KSE100, KSE30 & MSCI		
FATIMA	Fatima Fertilizer Co.	38.0	na	na	na	11.0	na	na	4.50	na	na	<b>Group Company: No estimates are given</b>								KSE100 & KMI		
AHCL	Arif Habib Corp. Ltd.	38.0	na	na	na	8.4	na	na	-	na	na	<b>Group Company: No estimates are given</b>								KSEALL		
<b>Cement</b>																						
LUCK	Lucky Cement Ltd.*	747.4	1,148.9	53.7	Buy	166.4	217.6	232.7	18.00	20.00	43.00	4.5	3.4	2.4	2.7	0.8	0.7	21.2	21.8	KSE100, KSE30, KMI & MSCI		
FCCL	Fauji Cement Co.	16.4	35.0	112.9	Buy	3.0	3.8	7.0	-	-	2.00	5.4	4.3	-	-	0.6	0.5	12.1	13.5	KSE100, KMI & MSCI		
ACPL	Attock Cement Ltd.	92.6	155.1	67.6	Buy	11.0	22.2	30.4	6.00	10.00	12.00	8.4	4.2	6.5	10.8	0.2	0.2	4.0	4.9	KSEALL, KMI & MSCI		
DGKC	D.G. Khan Cement Co.	64.2	98.7	53.7	Buy	(8.3)	9.8	16.2	-	-	4.00	(7.7)	6.5	-	-	0.4	0.4	(5.4)	6.5	KSE100, KSE30, KMI & MSCI		
KOHC	Kohat Cement Co.	206.1	322.1	56.3	Buy	29.7	38.6	37.3	-	11.58	11.18	6.9	5.3	-	5.6	1.2	1.0	19.4	20.8	KSE100, KMI & MSCI		
MLCF	Maple Leaf Cement.*	34.5	59.4	72.2	Buy	5.4	6.7	8.2	-	2.00	3.00	6.4	5.1	-	5.8	0.8	3.8	13.2	26.5	KSE100, KMI & MSCI		
POWER	Power Cement	5.2	na	na	na	0.2	na	na	-	na	na	<b>Group Company: No estimates are given</b>								KMI		
<b>Oil &amp; Gas Marketing</b>																						
PSO	Pakistan State Oil	168.8	258.8	53.3	Buy	12.1	65.9	73.7	7.50	10.00	12.00	14.0	2.6	4.4	5.9	0.4	0.3	2.6	13.7	KSE100, KSE30, KMI & MSCI		
APL	Attock Petroleum Ltd.	385.79	398.20	3.2	Hold	100.2	97.3	110.6	27.50	57.50	67.50	3.9	4.0	7.1	14.9	1.1	1.0	30.2	25.4	KSE100 & KMI		
SNGP	Sui Northern Gas Pipeline Ltd.	61.0	84.3	38.1	Buy	18.8	23.3	25.6	8.00	7.00	8.00	3.2	2.6	13.1	11.5	0.8	0.6	149.7	249.7	KSE100, KSE30, KMI & MSCI		
<b>Automobile Assemblers</b>																						
PSMC	Pak Suzuki Motor Co.	609.0							<b>Coverage Restricted due to Advisory Mandate</b>													KSE100 & KMI
INDU	Indus Motor Co.	1,590.8	1,571.0	(1.2)	Hold	123.0	147.5	196.4	71.80	109.00	133.00	12.9	10.8	4.5	6.9	2.1	1.9	16.9	18.4	KSE100		
HCAR	Honda Atlas Cars (Pak)	214.2	248.1	15.8	Buy	1.8	13.6	24.0	-	5.00	11.00	117.6	15.7	-	2.3	1.6	1.5	1.3	9.7	KSE100 & KMI		
MTL	Millat Tractors Ltd.	581.0	661.2	13.8	Hold	17.6	48.6	59.0	25.00	49.00	53.00	33.0	12.0	4.3	8.4	14.4	14.6	45.8	121.4	KSE100, KSE30, KMI & MSCI		
<b>Power Generation &amp; Distribution</b>																						
HUBC	Hub Power Company*	115.3	170.7	48.0	Buy	44.4	53.4	57.5	30.00	30.00	24.25	2.6	2.2	26.0	26.0	0.9	0.8	40.6	39.4	KSE100, KSE30, KMI & MSCI		
NCPL	Nishat Chu. Power Ltd.	26.2	29.6	13.0	Hold	10.8	12.7	10.3	-	4.00	2.75	2.4	2.1	-	15.3	0.4	0.3	16.4	18.1	KMI & MSCI		
NPL	Nishat Power Ltd.	29.7	35.8	20.5	Buy	11.6	13.6	9.9	7.00	6.00	4.00	2.6	2.2	23.6	20.2	0.4	0.3	14.1	15.4	KSEALL & MSCI		
<b>Textile Composite</b>																						
NML	Nishat Mills Ltd.	64.2	107.3	67.2	Buy	34.6	41.3	44.4	5.00	6.00	6.50	1.9	1.6	7.8	9.3	0.3	0.2	14.4	15.2	KSE100, KMI & MSCI		
NCL	Nishat (Chunian) Ltd.	23.7	39.0	64.6	Buy	(4.2)	10.8	11.5	-	4.00	4.00	(5.7)	2.2	-	16.9	0.3	0.3	(4.4)	12.1	KSEALL		
ILP	Interloop Ltd.	70.0	99.2	41.7	Buy	14.4	16.2	20.1	5.00	5.50	8.00	4.9	4.3	7.1	7.9	2.2	1.7	52.2	44.3	KSE100 & KMI		
<b>Chemicals</b>																						
LOTCHEM	Lotte Chemical Pak Ltd.	18.87	27.90	47.9	Buy	3.4	4.5	4.9	3.00	2.00	2.50	5.6	4.2	15.9	10.6	1.2	1.0	21.3	25.6	KSE100 & KMI		
EPCL	Engro Polymer & Chem.	44.4	56.8	28.0	Buy	9.8	8.6	10.6	6.00	6.00	7.50	4.5	5.1	13.5	13.5	1.4	1.4	32.1	27.2	KSE100, KSE30 & KMI		
LCI	Lucky Core Industries Ltd.	799.3	937.1	17.2	Buy	191.1	86.8	113.1	43.00	40.00	50.00	4.2	9.2	5.4	5.0	1.7	1.1	45.7	14.6	KSE100 & KMI		
<b>Leather &amp; Tanneries</b>																						
SGF	Service Global Footwear Ltd.	54.75	76.40	39.5	Buy	5.7	8.8	14.3	5.00	8.00	13.00	9.5	6.2	9.1	14.6	1.7	1.5	18.6	25.6	KMI		
<b>Engineering</b>																						
ASTL	Amreli Steels Ltd.	21.9	27.4	25.2	Buy	(2.3)	1.5	5.7	-	-	2.00	(9.6)	14.5	-	-	0.4	0.4	(4.6)	3.0	KSEALL		
AGHA	Agha Steel Industries Ltd.	11.0							<b>Under Review</b>												KMI	
ASL	Aisha Steel Mills Ltd.	7.0	na	na	na	(3.5)	na	na	-	na	na	<b>Group Company: No estimates are given</b>								KSEALL		
<b>Technology &amp; Communication</b>																						
SYS	Systems Ltd.	395.9	614.0	55.1	Buy	31.7	35.7	43.1	5.00	6.75	12.50	12.5	11.1	1.3	1.7	3.5	2.7	33.3	27.5	KSE100, KSE30, KMI & MSCI		

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Code	Closing	WoW (%)	MTD (%)	CYTD (%)	90-Days		180-Days		365-Days	
					High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
NBP	36.61	21.91	27.21	14.01	37.16	27.08	37.46	22.77	37.46	18.89
ACPL	92.58	6.66	4.47	(1.11)	103.86	82.54	104.52	77.31	104.52	50.78
MEBL	197.26	6.46	9.29	27.26	197.26	142.71	197.26	106.10	197.26	74.41
FFC	121.14	6.42	4.99	10.68	121.63	105.45	121.63	86.01	121.63	84.25
EPCL	44.39	4.35	2.14	(2.50)	50.08	42.29	50.08	36.24	50.08	35.58
BOP	5.43	4.28	3.45	0.09	6.34	4.79	6.34	3.30	6.34	2.67
FABL	30.95	4.03	(3.13)	1.03	31.95	28.25	31.95	20.15	31.95	17.27
ABL	85.22	3.81	2.97	7.59	86.05	78.24	86.37	64.17	86.37	52.37
MCB	194.86	3.15	3.09	18.29	195.54	160.54	195.54	116.93	195.54	93.40
BAFL	53.52	3.02	2.18	20.77	53.52	41.35	53.52	34.45	53.52	24.06
FATIMA	37.95	2.37	2.68	6.93	38.14	33.43	38.14	28.90	38.14	24.36
INDU	1,590.78	2.20	5.10	33.70	1,595.80	1,176.75	1,595.80	860.24	1,595.80	807.56
ENGRO	340.13	2.07	5.15	15.33	350.58	285.32	350.58	236.68	350.58	230.52
POL	428.09	2.07	0.36	7.55	428.75	385.43	428.75	365.86	428.75	318.24
MARI	2,495.00	2.00	6.24	24.26	2,530.50	1,867.64	2,530.50	1,464.30	2,530.50	1,378.93
PSO	168.80	1.99	2.68	(4.48)	210.64	141.18	217.22	115.71	217.22	93.36
EFERT	144.37	1.65	3.94	35.98	145.05	98.53	145.05	67.19	145.05	65.99
AHCL	37.99	1.31	8.45	5.76	38.79	34.52	38.79	24.35	38.79	23.25
MTL	581.00	0.89	(0.08)	4.15	609.06	497.37	629.39	388.21	629.39	310.72
SGF	54.75	0.31	(2.23)	(9.23)	60.32	48.96	60.32	30.66	60.32	24.29
LCI	799.32	(0.08)	3.18	6.32	818.62	697.45	818.62	550.87	818.62	471.25
HUBC	115.34	(0.28)	1.05	2.06	117.81	104.55	119.39	75.73	119.39	54.96
NPL	29.66	(0.47)	0.88	3.98	31.20	27.34	31.20	20.53	31.20	13.18
LOTCHEM	18.87	(0.47)	(2.73)	(30.09)	28.48	18.46	28.59	18.46	29.81	18.46
ITTEFAQ	6.55	(0.76)	1.08	(15.92)	8.62	6.25	8.62	5.31	8.62	4.40
KAPCO	26.96	(1.14)	(0.21)	10.39	27.74	23.64	27.74	18.68	27.74	14.16
APL	385.79	(1.22)	(1.35)	4.66	415.22	334.28	415.22	283.79	415.22	262.16
UBL	176.14	(1.23)	(2.91)	4.95	184.97	159.62	184.97	126.57	184.97	78.55
NCL	23.71	(1.33)	(3.77)	(8.63)	29.98	23.64	29.99	20.49	29.99	19.98
ILP	70.01	(1.41)	(2.26)	(0.01)	72.69	62.58	73.18	42.01	73.18	27.65
HUMNL	6.55	(1.80)	(2.38)	(4.38)	7.92	6.20	8.04	5.47	8.04	5.30
POWER	5.20	(2.62)	(5.45)	(12.75)	6.30	5.16	6.43	4.00	6.43	3.49
NCPL	26.16	(2.68)	6.91	(6.47)	32.23	23.59	32.23	21.59	32.23	14.08
FFBL	24.49	(2.97)	(4.97)	(20.13)	31.17	23.27	31.17	13.10	31.17	10.68
SNGP	61.04	(3.48)	(10.63)	(16.97)	79.07	60.64	79.07	46.18	79.07	37.35
LUCK	747.35	(3.58)	(0.67)	(5.04)	812.81	699.89	818.48	564.34	818.48	379.99
NML	64.18	(3.66)	(7.13)	(16.35)	83.64	64.18	83.64	55.31	83.64	48.27
KOHC	206.08	(4.06)	(3.25)	(12.02)	249.06	194.43	249.06	169.24	249.06	137.73
AKBL	19.51	(4.14)	(6.18)	(11.12)	22.36	19.24	22.36	13.63	22.36	10.76
HBL	104.99	(4.20)	(6.16)	(1.82)	120.42	104.20	124.96	84.79	124.96	62.16
OGDC	117.99	(4.61)	(3.87)	6.96	152.61	103.09	152.61	89.65	152.61	69.17
PPL	106.02	(5.02)	(4.58)	(5.87)	131.00	96.18	131.00	69.97	131.00	54.10
AGHA	10.95	(5.28)	(3.78)	(23.05)	15.82	10.89	16.16	10.27	16.16	9.11
DGKC	64.23	(6.19)	(7.62)	(17.02)	82.50	63.58	82.50	43.42	82.50	41.54
MLCF	34.47	(6.38)	(10.93)	(11.43)	42.37	34.47	42.71	29.70	42.71	24.58
FCCL	16.44	(6.80)	(11.04)	(13.11)	20.30	16.44	20.51	11.21	20.51	10.54
FML	84.10	(6.87)	(5.51)	(6.81)	94.68	82.00	94.68	81.00	94.68	50.81
HCAR	214.22	(7.30)	(1.88)	0.23	281.91	195.80	281.91	120.30	281.91	82.41

Source (s): Bloomberg, AHL Research

## Forward Estimates

Country	Indonesia	India	Vietnam	Philippines	Sri Lanka	Thailand	China	Taiwan	S.Korea	Peer Avg	Pakistan	Prem/(Disc)
DY (%)	3.9	1.3	3.2	2.6	3.4	3.8	3.4	3.4	2.0	3.0	10.5	-71.5%
P/E (x)	14.2	18.2	9.5	11.8	12.0	13.3	10.6	16.3	9.0	12.6	4.2	-66.9%
P/B (x)	1.9	2.9	1.6	1.5	1.0	1.3	1.2	2.3	0.9	1.6	0.7	-54.3%

Source: Bloomberg, AHL Research

## Local & Foreign Investors Portfolio Investment (USD mn)

### LIPI Normal

#### Current Week

Category	Gross Buy	Gross Sell	Net	Net
Individuals	165.35	169.40	SELL	(4.06)
Companies	5.35	14.31	SELL	(8.96)
Banks / DFIs	7.68	12.63	SELL	(4.95)
NBFC	0.13	0.08	BUY	0.06
Mutual Funds	4.75	9.11	SELL	(4.36)
Other Organizations	1.46	3.10	SELL	(1.64)
Broker Proprietary Trading	34.00	36.20	SELL	(2.20)
Insurance Companies	27.06	2.93	BUY	24.13
<b>Total</b>	<b>245.78</b>	<b>247.76</b>	<b>SELL</b>	<b>(1.98)</b>

#### Last Week

Category	Gross Buy	Gross Sell	Net	Net
Individuals	210.95	211.08	SELL	(0.13)
Companies	4.09	6.62	SELL	(2.52)
Banks / DFIs	4.62	5.34	SELL	(0.73)
NBFC	0.14	0.13	BUY	0.01
Mutual Funds	6.45	5.84	BUY	0.61
Other Organizations	1.86	1.12	BUY	0.74
Broker Proprietary Trading	40.80	42.54	SELL	(1.73)
Insurance Companies	1.82	0.73	BUY	1.09
<b>Total</b>	<b>270.74</b>	<b>273.40</b>	<b>SELL</b>	<b>(2.66)</b>

### LIPI Sector Wise

#### Current Week

Sector	Gross Buy	Gross Sell	Net	Net
Commercial Banks	29.84	30.64	SELL	(0.81)
Fertilizer	16.11	16.20	SELL	(0.09)
Cement	8.80	9.43	SELL	(0.63)
Power Generation & Distribution	8.29	8.18	BUY	0.11
Exploration & Production	22.25	22.87	SELL	(0.62)
Oil & Gas Marketing Companies	15.70	15.33	BUY	0.37
Food and Personal Care Products	18.41	18.42	SELL	(0.00)
Textile Composite	2.68	2.66	BUY	0.02
Technology and Communication	34.75	34.90	SELL	(0.15)
Debt	0.02	0.02	SELL	0.00
All other Sectors	88.68	88.86	SELL	(0.18)
<b>Total</b>	<b>245.52</b>	<b>247.50</b>	<b>SELL</b>	<b>(1.98)</b>

#### Last Week

Sector	Gross Buy	Gross Sell	Net	Net
Commercial Banks	15.83	17.73	SELL	(1.90)
Fertilizer	7.66	8.15	SELL	(0.49)
Cement	10.20	12.03	SELL	(1.82)
Power Generation & Distribution	5.62	5.51	BUY	0.11
Exploration & Production	24.34	22.76	BUY	1.58
Oil & Gas Marketing Companies	20.81	20.57	BUY	0.24
Food and Personal Care Products	9.13	9.10	BUY	0.03
Textile Composite	1.07	1.12	SELL	(0.05)
Technology and Communication	50.02	50.43	SELL	(0.41)
Debt	0.01	0.02	SELL	(0.01)
All other Sectors	124.22	124.17	BUY	0.05
<b>Total</b>	<b>268.90</b>	<b>271.57</b>	<b>SELL</b>	<b>(2.66)</b>

### FIPI Normal

#### Current Week

Category	Gross Buy	Gross Sell	Net	Net
Foreign Individuals	0.00	0.02	SELL	(0.02)
Foreign Corporates	6.24	3.42	BUY	2.82
Overseas Pakistani	11.55	12.37	SELL	(0.82)
<b>Total</b>	<b>17.79</b>	<b>15.82</b>	<b>BUY</b>	<b>1.98</b>

#### Last Week

Category	Gross Buy	Gross Sell	Net	Net
Foreign Individuals	0.17	0.17	SELL	(0.00)
Foreign Corporates	7.66	3.41	BUY	4.25
Overseas Pakistani	18.84	20.43	SELL	(1.59)
<b>Total</b>	<b>26.67</b>	<b>24.00</b>	<b>BUY</b>	<b>2.66</b>

### FIPI Sector Wise

#### Current Week

Sector	Gross Buy	Gross Sell	Net	Net
Commercial Banks	5.56	4.75	BUY	0.81
Fertilizer	0.45	0.35	BUY	0.09
Cement	1.17	0.54	BUY	0.63
Power Generation & Distribution	0.33	0.44	SELL	(0.11)
Exploration & Production	1.61	0.99	BUY	0.62
Oil & Gas Marketing Companies	0.44	0.81	SELL	(0.37)
Food and Personal Care Products	0.91	0.90	BUY	0.00
Textile Composite	0.07	0.09	SELL	(0.02)
Technology and Communication	2.57	2.42	BUY	0.15
All other Sectors	4.72	4.54	BUY	0.18
<b>Total</b>	<b>17.82</b>	<b>15.83</b>	<b>BUY</b>	<b>1.98</b>

#### Last Week

Sector	Gross Buy	Gross Sell	Net	Net
Commercial Banks	5.16	3.26	BUY	1.90
Fertilizer	1.99	1.50	BUY	0.49
Cement	2.69	0.87	BUY	1.82
Power Generation & Distribution	0.59	0.70	SELL	(0.11)
Exploration & Production	2.31	3.89	SELL	(1.58)
Oil & Gas Marketing Companies	1.55	1.79	SELL	(0.24)
Food and Personal Care Products	0.61	0.64	SELL	(0.03)
Textile Composite	0.12	0.07	BUY	0.05
Technology and Communication	3.94	3.53	BUY	0.41
All other Sectors	7.71	7.76	SELL	(0.05)
<b>Total</b>	<b>26.67</b>	<b>24.00</b>	<b>BUY</b>	<b>2.66</b>

## World's Major Stock Market Performance (\$ based return)

Country	Index	Index Closing*	WTD (%)	MTD (%)	CY24TD (%)	Country	Index	Index Closing*	WTD (%)	MTD (%)	CY24TD (%)
Argentina	MERVAL Index	1,225,494	14.2	19.1	24.8	Dubai	DFMGI Index	4,273	0.2	(0.8)	5.3
Nigeria	NGSEINDX Index	104,388	12.5	19.8	(9.7)	Hungary	BUX Index	65,750	0.2	(1.2)	2.2
Zimbabwe	ZHIALSH Index	748,996	12.4	7.3	8.9	Bahrain	BHSEASI Index	2,051	0.2	2.3	4.6
Kenya	NSEASI Index	105	4.9	25.9	35.2	Oman	MSM30 Index	4,791	0.1	5.2	6.8
Turkey	XU100 Index	9,205	4.7	(2.5)	13.5	Sri Lanka	CSEALL Index	11,270	0.1	8.0	13.0
Ghana	GGSECI Index	3,535	4.6	6.2	3.7	New Zealand	NZSE Index	1,785	0.1	(0.2)	(4.9)
Japan	NKY Index	40,888	3.9	3.3	13.6	Estonia	TALSE Index	1,761	0.0	0.5	(2.6)
USA	NDX Index	18,320	2.9	1.5	8.9	Ukraine	PFTS Index	507	(0.1)	(2.0)	(1.9)
USA	INDU Index	39,781	2.8	2.0	5.6	India	SENSEX Index	72,950	(0.2)	0.1	0.8
USA	SPX Index	5,242	2.4	2.9	9.9	Jordan	JOSMGNFF Index	2,494	(0.2)	1.1	2.9
Spain	IBEX Index	10,914	2.4	9.3	5.7	Russia	RTSI\$ Index	1,116	(0.3)	(1.0)	3.0
Netherlands	AEX Index	876	2.3	3.5	8.9	Philippines	PCOMP Index	6,882	(0.4)	(1.2)	4.9
South Korea	KOSPI Index	2,749	2.2	3.4	(0.8)	Greece	ASE Index	1,425	(0.4)	0.2	7.8
Austria	ATX Index	3,499	2.0	4.7	(0.4)	Qatar	DSM Index	10,211	(0.4)	(2.5)	(3.6)
Romania	BET Index	16,664	1.9	5.0	6.1	Kazakhstan	KZKAK Index	4,982	(0.4)	3.8	20.4
UK	UKX Index	7,944	1.7	3.9	1.4	Belgium	BEL20 Index	3,789	(0.5)	(5.0)	(4.9)
Lebanon	BLOM Index	1,712	1.7	(2.3)	(14.2)	Belgium	BEL20 Index	3,789	(0.5)	(5.0)	(4.9)
Taiwan	TWSE Index	20,228	1.7	5.4	7.9	Slovenia	SBITOP Index	1,449	(0.5)	3.2	13.1
Brazil	IBOV Index	128,159	1.6	(0.7)	(6.8)	France	CAC Index	8,171	(0.5)	3.3	5.9
Poland	WIG20 Index	2,409	1.5	(0.2)	1.2	Serbia	BELEX15 Index	963	(0.5)	4.2	7.5
Mauritius	SEMDEX Index	2,100	1.4	(0.8)	(2.5)	South Africa	JALSH Index	73,331	(0.6)	2.0	(8.2)
Norway	OBXP Index	584	1.2	3.4	(4.0)	Czech Republic	PX Index	1,493	(0.6)	2.5	0.5
Vietnam	VNIndex Index	1,282	1.2	1.8	11.1	Indonesia	JCI Index	7,350	(0.7)	(0.0)	(1.5)
Portugal	PSI20 Index	6,239	1.2	1.5	(4.6)	Lithuania	VILSE Index	952	(0.8)	(0.4)	(1.7)
Canada	SPTSX Index	22,087	1.1	3.7	2.8	Denmark	KFX Index	2,691	(0.9)	6.3	15.2
Germany	DAX Index	18,206	0.9	3.2	6.3	Russia	IMOEX Index	3,290	(0.9)	(1.0)	2.1
Uae	ADSMI Index	9,304	0.9	0.5	(2.8)	Finland	HEX Index	9,714	(1.0)	(1.1)	(5.9)
Croatia	CRO Index	2,837	0.9	4.2	9.5	China	SHSZ300 Index	3,545	(1.1)	0.3	1.5
Saudi Arabia	SASEIDX Index	12,836	0.8	1.6	7.6	Bulgaria	SOFIX Index	809	(1.2)	2.7	3.4
<b>Pakistan</b>	<b>KSE100 Index</b>	<b>65,152</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>5.7</b>	Latvia	RIGSE Index	1,323	(1.3)	(0.8)	(3.2)
Singapore	FSSTI Index	3,219	0.7	2.3	(2.8)	Hong Kong	HSI Index	16,499	(1.3)	0.1	(3.3)
Tunisia	TUSISE Index	8,804	0.7	2.4	(0.8)	Malaysia	FBMKLCI Index	1,542	(1.3)	(0.4)	2.8
Australia	AS51 Index	7,771	0.7	1.3	(2.4)	Sweden	OMX Index	2,539	(1.3)	1.9	0.9
Italy	FTSEMIB Index	34,358	0.6	5.7	10.7	Switzerland	SMI Index	11,710	(1.5)	0.5	(2.0)
Mexico	MEXBOL Index	56,657	0.5	4.0	(0.3)	Thailand	SET Index	1,381	(1.6)	(0.6)	(8.3)
Europe	SX5E Index	5,038	0.4	3.5	9.0	Iceland	ICEXI Index	2,155	(1.8)	(2.1)	0.3
Mongolia	MSETOP Index	44,516	0.4	(0.0)	9.3	Chile	IPSA Index	6,486	(2.8)	(0.1)	(5.2)
Luxembourg	LUXXX Index	1,484	0.4	(0.2)	(4.8)	Egypt	EGX30 Index	29,055	(4.9)	(33.6)	(22.0)
Ireland	ISEQ Index	9,924	0.3	4.8	10.8						

Source (s): Bloomberg, AHL Research, \* Last Closing

# Pakistan Weekly Update

Pakistan  
Stock Market



March 22, 2024

## Key Economic Data & Commodities Prices

Month end	Units	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Current*
<b>Money Market Data</b>														
03-M T-Bill	%	21.60	21.90	22.09	22.65	22.95	23.13	22.46	21.65	21.33	21.28	20.70	21.21	21.53
06-M T-Bill	%	21.32	21.80	22.00	22.87	22.99	23.20	22.81	21.70	21.33	21.37	21.00	21.50	21.27
12-M T-Bill	%	21.39	21.76	22.00	22.93	23.02	23.28	22.90	21.76	21.30	21.32	20.84	20.76	20.54
03-Y PIB	%	18.33	18.30	19.10	19.47	19.46	20.57	19.11	17.82	16.50	16.54	16.73	16.90	16.75
05-Y PIB	%	15.23	15.00	15.10	16.08	16.86	17.22	17.23	15.46	15.90	15.90	15.47	15.58	15.46
10-Y PIB	%	15.22	15.10	15.10	15.32	15.96	16.31	16.12	15.15	14.97	14.91	14.17	14.32	14.22
06-M KIBOR	%	22.03	22.06	22.18	22.97	23.22	23.21	22.95	22.00	21.47	21.49	20.97	21.73	21.48
Policy Rate	%	20.00	21.00	21.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00
<b>Inflation (YoY)</b>														
Headline (CPI New Base)	%	35.4	36.4	38.0	29.4	28.3	27.4	31.4	26.8	29.2	29.7	28.3	23.1	23.1
<b>Monetary Sector</b>														
M1	PKR bn	24,074	24,802	25,017	26,157	25,857	25,964	26,184	26,403	26,717	27,130	27,085.1	n.a	27,085
M2	PKR bn	28,732	29,433	29,859	31,280	30,966	31,209	31,425	31,722	32,000	32,594	32,466	n.a	32,466
M3	PKR bn	32,070	32,743	33,140	34,545	34,246	34,483	34,287	34,906	35,180	35,741	35,584.3	n.a	35,584
<b>Banking Sector</b>														
Deposits	PKR bn	23,562	23,429	24,388	25,508	25,702	26,110	26,318	26,398	26,798	27,841	27,541	27,886	27,886
Advances	PKR bn	11,836	12,111	12,072	12,202	11,898	11,775	11,857	11,898	11,964	12,352	12,095	12,062	12,062
Investment	PKR bn	19,236	19,695	20,144	20,896	21,468	22,016	22,622	23,232	24,587	25,280	25,603	25,449	25,449
WALR	%	16.3	17.6	17.7	18.2	18.4	18.9	19.3	19.3	19.3	14.7	19.0	n.a	19.0
WADR	%	8.7	9.7	10.2	10.5	11.3	11.3	11.4	11.6	11.7	8.4	12.0	n.a	12.0
Spread	%	7.5	7.9	7.6	7.7	7.1	7.6	7.9	7.7	7.6	6.3	7.0	n.a	7.0
<b>External Sector</b>														
Forex Reserves	USD bn	9.8	10.0	9.5	9.2	13.5	13.2	12.5	12.0	12.0	13.2	13.3	12.4	13.4
With SBP	USD bn	4.2	4.5	4.1	4.4	8.2	7.8	7.6	7.4	7.4	8.2	8.2	8.0	8.0
With Banks	USD bn	5.6	5.6	5.4	4.7	5.3	5.3	4.9	4.6	4.6	5.0	5.0	4.5	5.4
Exchange rate	PKR/USD	283.7	283.8	285.5	286.0	286.6	305.5	287.7	281.5	285.2	281.9	279.5	279.1	278.1
C/A Balance	USD mn	750.0	78.0	220.0	504.0	(775.0)	(160.0)	(46.0)	(184.0)	(15.0)	404.0	(303.0)	128.0	128.0
Exports	USD bn	2.4	2.1	2.6	2.1	2.1	2.5	2.5	2.8	2.7	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.6
Imports	USD bn	4.0	3.7	3.8	3.2	4.2	4.0	4.0	4.4	4.4	4.1	4.6	4.3	4.3
Trade Balance	USD bn	(1.6)	(1.6)	(1.2)	(1.1)	(2.1)	(1.5)	(1.5)	(1.6)	(1.7)	(1.3)	(1.9)	(1.7)	(1.7)
Remittances	USD bn	2.5	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.5	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.2	2.2
<b>Key Commodities Prices</b>														
<b>International</b>														
Coal	USD/ton	132.5	127.9	100.2	100.3	102.7	113.1	122.5	120.9	108.0	101.0	95.0	101.1	98.5
Steel (HRC)	USD/ton	636.2	574.0	519.9	531.7	569.1	543.3	532.3	526.8	560.2	574.4	567.0	559.4	532.5
PTA	USD/ton	840.0	875.0	780.0	770.0	825.0	800.0	830.0	790.0	765.0	780.0	800.0	785.0	785.0
Gold	USD/oz	1,980.4	1,990.0	1,962.7	1,913.7	1,965.1	1,940.2	1,864.9	1,983.9	2,036.4	2,063.0	2,039.5	2,044.3	2,181.3
Cotton (COTLOOK A)	US\$/lb	96.5	93.2	93.8	89.3	94.9	97.0	98.4	95.0	89.7	91.4	93.3	105.3	97.9
Crude oil (WTI)	USD/bbl	74.4	76.8	68.1	67.7	81.8	83.6	91.7	81.0	76.0	71.7	75.9	78.3	81.1
Crude oil (Arab Light)	USD/bbl	78.8	80.9	74.7	77.8	88.8	90.5	97.7	91.2	87.7	80.4	84.9	82.5	87.0
Crude oil (Brent)	USD/bbl	79.3	79.5	72.7	72.3	85.6	86.9	95.4	87.4	82.8	77.0	81.7	83.6	85.8
<b>Local</b>														
Cotton	PKR/maund	18,700.0	20,000.0	20,000.0	17,500.0	17,935.0	20,100.0	17,700.0	17,000.0	17,200.0	17,300.0	20,000.0	21,500.0	21,500.0
Cement	PKR/bag	1,125.8	1,120.9	1,121.4	1,144.7	1,140.8	1,177.0	1,196.1	1,195.9	1,241.3	1,232.5	1,213.0	1,234.8	1,221.5
Gold	PKR/10 grms	178,160	188,230	197,620	185,270	190,590	207,050	176,270	185,530	186,474	187,930	189,300	188,920	191,190

\*Current Price

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