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Market- Key Statistics			
	Current	Previous	Change
KSE100 Index	59,260.43	58,899.84	360.59
All Shares Index	39,685.95	39,473.92	212.03
KSE30 Index	19,701.16	19,562.81	138.35
KMI30 Index	100,970.07	100,182.52	787.55
Volume (mn)	272,723,39	229,035,21	43,688

Source: PSX

Top Losers-KSE100 Index

Symbol	Price	% Change	Volume
TREETR2	4.86	(-14.74%)	8,606,075
POWERPS	7.49	(-11.78%)	1,500
LSEPL	3.05	(-6.73%)	20,000
ABL	77.11	(-5.96%)	500
FTMM	3.5	(-5.66%)	1,500

Top Winners-KSE100 Index

Symbol	Price	% Change	Volume
CWSM	1.8	(7.78%)	15,500
CLOV	20.01	(7.52%)	131,500
BNWM	33.33	(7.52%)	4,500
AGIL	92.24	(7.51%)	30,500
GLPL	182.91	(7.50%)	600

volur	ne Leaders	KSE-All Index

Symbol	Price	% Change	Volume
TREETR2	4.86	(-14.74%)	8,606,075
AVN	65.6	-4.91%	2,379,580
SYM	4.22	-2.93%	1,468,000
PRL	25.61	-0.31%	1,458,861
NETSOL	114.3	-2.77%	1,349,241

Volume Leaders KMI-30 Index

Symbol	Price	% Change	Volume (mn)
TELE	8.11	1.00%	23.46
TPLP	15.18	-0.52%	14.63
GGL	11.44	0.62%	10.65
PAEL	11.03	-0.54%	9.16
CNERGY	3.72	0.81%	7.07

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Petrol, diesel prices left unchanged for next fortnight

The care-taker government decided to keep the prices of petrol and high-speed diesel (HSD) unchanged for the first fortnight of the new year. According to a statement issued by the finance ministry, the per-litre price of petrol will remain at Rs267.34 and that of HSD at Rs276.21 until mid-January. The ministry said the government had left the prices unchanged on the recommendation of the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra). The latest review shows that petrol and diesel prices increased by around Rs50 per litre during the year, as they stood at Rs214.8 and Rs227.8 per litre on Jan 1, 2023. Click to see more

Exchange rate stability doubtful in CY24'

The rupee-dollar exchange rate is expected to come under pressure due to higher debt repayments in the first quarter of calendar year 2024, said bankers and analysts. "With the completion of the nine-month \$3bn Stand-By Arrangement with the IMF in March 2024, the dollar may reverse its downward trajectory due to higher debt servicing and likely fall in foreign exchange reserves amid slow inflows," said a senior banker. Bankers and analysts said the country is short of \$6bn required to meet the debt servicing obligations totalling \$24bn for the entire FY24. Click to see more

First half tax collection exceeds target

The Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) has exceeded its December target by Rs7 billion due to the timely clearance of liquefied natural gas shipments as well as impressive domestic sales tax collection aided by historic inflation. The revenue collection in December stood at Rs982bn against a projected target of Rs975bn. The revenue collection increased by 34pc when compared with Rs732bn over the corresponding month last year. These figures would further improve by at least Rs1.5bn before the close of the month on Sunday and after book adjustments have been taken into account. Aside from the LNG cargoes cleared at the start of the week, the cargo cleared on Saturday resulted in a revenue collection of Rs3.7bn. Click to see more

Manufacturers enjoy robust sales amid high inflation

Amid an annual increase of 43.25 per cent in weekly inflation ending Dec 28 and soaring utility bills, manufacturers of consumer goods items recorded brisk sales in the first nine months of 2023. Market people believe that the jump in sales was because of price increases but they must have suffered a slowdown in volume or quantity of goods which most manufacturers do not mention in their accounts. They said consumers had limited their purchases as per their demand instead of lifting bulk items. Manufac-turers' focus towards the introduction of half and one-kg pouches also reflects consumers' squeezing buying power. Click to see more

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Key Economic Data	
Reserves (25-Nov-23)	\$9.45bn
Inflation CPI Nov'23	24.5%
Exports - (Jul'22-Jun'23)	\$31.79bn
Imports - (Jul'22-Jun'23)	\$80.18bn
Trade Balance- (Jul'22-Jun'23)	\$(44.77)bn
Current A/C- (Jul'22-Jun'23)	\$(17.4)bn
Remittances - (Jul'22-Jun'23)	\$29.45bn

FIPI/LIPI (USD Million)	
FIPI (27-Nov-23)	0.565
Individuals (27-Nov-23)	0.444
Companies (27-Nov-23)	2.934
Banks/DFI (27-Nov-23)	(0.036)
NBFC (27-Nov-23)	0.00695
Mutual Fund (27-Nov-23)	(0.836)
Other Organization (27-Nov-23)	0.399
Brokers (27-Nov-23)	(2.856)
Insurance Comp: (27-Nov-23)	(0.621)
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Commodities			
Commodities	Current	Previous	Change
Cement (Rs./bag)	1,043	1,043	0.00%
DAP (PKR/bag)	9,429	9,527	-1.03%
Urea Fertilizer (PKR/bag)	2,626	2,531	3.75%
Gold Spot (USD/oz)	1,928.15	1,926.92	0.06%
Gold Future (USD/oz)	1,929.40	1,924.25	0.27%
WTI Spot (USD/bbl)	79.27	81.20	-2.38%
WTI Future (USD/bbl)	79.68	81.33	-2.03%
FOREX Reserves (USD bn)	9.45	10.44	-9.48%

Exchange Rates- Open Market Bids				
Local (PkR)	Current	Previous	Change	
PKR / US\$	281.5	283.2	-0.60%	
PKR / EUR	294	295	-0.34%	
PKR / GBP	331.5	331	0.15%	
PKR / JPY	2.06	2.06	0.00%	
PKR / SAR	74.3	74.2	0.13%	
PKR / AED	76.4	76.8	-0.52%	
PKR / AUD	184.5	182.5	1.10%	

Digital transactions surge to 80%

Pakistan is witnessing a remarkable growth in the number of digital payment transactions which increased six percentage points to 80% in retail banking in the quarter ended September 30, 2023, helping to document the economy and reducing reliance on cash. In its latest 'Payment System Review for the Quarter ended September 30, 2023', the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) reported that the share of digital payment transactions had been 74% in retail banking in the same quarter of last year (Q1FY23). The share of over-the-counter (OTC/ physical) transactions decreased to 20% in the July-September quarter of FY24. Click to see more

Digital payments for retail deals up

share of digital payments in retail transactions of banking system increased to 80 per cent in the July-September quarter versus 74pc a year ago, according to the Quarterly Payment Systems Report for the first quarter of 2023-24 released by the State Bank of Pakistan on Saturday. While share of over-the-counter (OTC) transactions was 20pc in retail transactions in the guarter under review, its share by value remained 87pc indicating customers' preference of the OTC channel for higher-value transactions. In terms of volume, large-value payments (LVPs) settled by the Real Time Gross Settlement System (RTGS) were 1.4 million amounting to Rs199 trillion. Retail transactions processed by banks, microfinance banks and Electronic Money Institutions (EMIs) during the quarter was 702m with their value totalling almost Rs134tr. Click to see more



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Potential to target price	
Buy Upside	More than +10% from last closing price
HOLD	In between -10% and +10% from last closing price
SELL	Less than -10% from last closing price

Equity Valuation Methodology

WE Research uses the following valuation technique(s) to arrive at the period end target prices;

- Discounted Cash Flow (DCF)
- Dividend Discount Model (DDM)
- Relative valuation (P/E, P/B, P/S)
- Equity & Asset return based (EVA, Residual income)

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