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Market- Key Statistics				
	Current	Previous	Change	
KSE100 Index	41,793.87	41,585.54	208.33	
All Shares Index	27,358.27	27,195.81	162.46	
KSE30 Index	15,551.73	15,662.84	-111.11	
KMI30 Index	71,775.28	71,468.53	306.75	
Volume (mn)	272,723,39	229,035,21	43,688	

Source: PSX

Top Losers-KSE100 Index

Symbol	Price	% Change	Volume
GATI	323.71	(-7.50%)	100
TATM	64	(-6.84%)	500
PINL	6.01	(-5.35%)	500
DLL	200	(-3.80%)	100
KOSM	2.3	(-2.95%)	10,000

Top Winners-KSE100 Index

Symbol	Price	% Change	Volume
HASCOL	6.27	(11.17%)	6,978,000
NICL	47.57	(7.48%)	13,500
SSOM	107.35	(7.38%)	1,000
PASL	0.75	(7.14%)	5,500
SITC	254	(7.12%)	200

Volume Leaders KSE-All Index

Symbol	Price	% Change	Volume
HASCOL	6.27	(11.17%)	6,978,000
OGDC	89.83	(3.40%)	2,972,588
PPL	71.89	(4.60%)	1,774,459
SNGP	42.99	(2.65%)	1,268,503
FFL	5.74	(0.70%)	1,233,500

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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Govt bodies told to restrict assignment accounts to NBP

The government has tightened its fiscal controls by restricting the federal and provincial entities to ensure that all their assignment accounts for development projects and non-development expenditures are opened and operated only through the National Bank of Pakistan (NBP), which would be treated as part of the Treasury Single Account (TSA) of the federal government. To conduct this exercise as required by the Inter-national Monetary Fund (IMF), the government has issued fresh guidelines for opening and operating the so-called Asaan (Easy) Assignment Accounts. Click to see more

Stocks rise on likely revival of bailout programme

Trading on the stock market commenced on a positive note in the outgoing week as investors expected the signing of a staff-level agreement with the International Monetary Fund (IMF). The rollover of a loan from a Chinese bank further fuelled the momentum in stock prices. Investors became upbeat when Finance Minister Ishaq Dar said the government would reach the staff-level agreement with the Washington-based lender for the ninth tranche of the Extended Fund Facility in the next few days. Click to see more

Weekly inflation spikes to 42.27pc

Weekly inflation clocked in at 42.27 per cent year-on-year owing to the rising prices of edible oil, pulses and vegetables, according to data released by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS) on Friday. Short-term inflation, measured by the Sensitive Price Index (SPI), is expected to intensify further as the full impact of depreciation, hike in general sales tax rate and higher energy prices has yet to reflect in official data. Week-on-week inflation remained 1.37pc for the seven-day period ending on March 9, with bananas, chicken, sugar, cooking oil, gas and cigarettes becoming costlier. Click to see more

Listed firms' sales drop for second quarter

In yet another manifestation of the economic slowdown, sales by a majority of listed firms dropped for the second consecutive quarter in October-December. The combined revenue of the publicly traded companies went down 0.1 per cent to Rs2.59 trillion on a sequential basis in October-December — an unusual development given that top lines of large companies tend to expand amid high inflation. Click to see more

Dar expects to close IMF deal as talks set to resume

Pakistan has seemingly been on the verge of signing the much-anticipated stafflevel agreement with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) for several weeks now, but the coming week may see the finance minister "close the deal". The government has been sticking to its line of "very soon", and a finance ministry official said that Finance Minister Ishaq Dar would resume the final round of talks with the lender on Monday. Click to see more

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Key Economic Data		
Reserves (20-Jan-23)	\$9.45bn	
Inflation CPI Dec'22	24.5%	
Exports - (Jul'21-Jun'22)	\$31.79bn	
Imports - (Jul'21-Jun'22)	\$80.18bn	
Trade Balance- (Jul'21-Jun'22)	\$(44.77)bn	
Current A/C- (Jul'21-Jun'22)	\$(17.4)bn	
Remittances - (Jul'21-Jun'22)	\$29.45bn	
Courses CDD		

FIPI/LIPI (USD Million)		
FIPI (10-Mar-23)	0.565	
Individuals (10-Mar-23)	0.444	
Companies (10-Mar-23)	2.934	
Banks/DFI (10-Mar-23)	(0.036)	
NBFC (10-Mar-23)	0.00695	
Mutual Fund (10-Mar-23)	(0.836)	
Other Organization (10-Mar-23)	0.399	
Brokers (10-Mar-23)	(2.856)	
Insurance Comp: (10-Mar-23)	(0.621)	
Source: NCCDI		

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%	

Pakistan, Iran discuss electricity projects

Minister for Power Khurram Dastgir on Sunday met with his Iranian counterpart Ali Akbar Mehrabian at Tehran. During the meeting, mutual areas of interest were discussed, said a press release. The Iranian minister appreciated the authorities of Pakistan for the construction of transmission line to import electricity from Iran to Gwadar on fast pace. He also expressed his interest to initiate more electricity projects with Pakistan. Khurram Dastgir thanked his counterpart for extending his cooperation in the energy field. Click to see more

FBR chief's directive to IR Karachi officials

Chairman Federal Board of Revenue Asim Ahmad has directed the senior Inland Revenue officials of Karachi to enforce/ monitor additional taxation measures taken through the mini-budget for the achievement of the revised upward annual budgetary target of Rs7,641 billion for 2023-23. To review revenue performance for the month of March 2023, a day-long meeting was held at FBR Head-quarters by IR Operations wing with Chief Commissioner IR and Commissioners IRs of Large Tax Office (LTO) Karachi which was chaired by Chairman Federal Board of Revenue, Asim Ahmad. Click to see more

Has Pakistan's stock market hit rock bottom?

Last year, many street analysts hoped the KSE-100 index would cross 50K or even 60K post the International Monetary Fund (IMF) deal. This did not materialise and despite the first quarter of this year passing by, there still seems to be no sign of a staff-level agreement with the IMF. It is no surprise, however, that the market is stuck in a particular range — after all, for the past many years, the country has continually faced a series of challenges including the global pandemic, political chaos, extreme flooding and a geopolitical crisis with the biggest one being the Russian invasion of Ukraine. Click to see more

Political gains at the cost of economy

In Pakistan, we are quite a disintegrated society with divisions manifested through ethnic, religious and now political basis. The recent trend of strengthening this divide for political gains is extremely dangerous and will have very deep and longstanding consequences. These divisions are not only harmful for social cohesion but also have significant economic consequences. 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

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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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