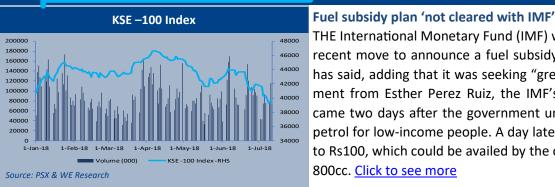
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THE International Monetary Fund (IMF) was not consulted on the government's recent move to announce a fuel subsidy, the lender's key official in Islamabad has said, adding that it was seeking "greater details" on the scheme. The statement from Esther Perez Ruiz, the IMF's resident representative for Pakistan, came two days after the government unveiled a Rs50 subsidy on each litre of petrol for low-income people. A day later, the government doubled the subsidy to Rs100, which could be availed by the owners of motorbikes and cars of up to 800cc. Click to see more

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

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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PSO gets \$100m grant to avert default

An emergent meeting of the Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) of the Cabinet on Tuesday approved a special grant of Rs27 billion (about \$100 million) for payments to Kuwait Petroleum Corporation to avoid a formal default of the national fuel supplier — Pakistan State Oil (PSO). The meeting presided over by Finance Minister Ishaq Dar also sanctioned Rs2.9bn in additional supplementary grant and supply of 25,000 tonnes of wheat to Gilgit-Baltistan. Click to see more

Stocks drift lower amid growing tensions

Share prices bounced within a small range throughout the session after trading began on the lower side on Tuesday. Investors preferred to stay cautious owing to ongoing political and economic worries. Their participation remained dull as they waited for some clarity on the revival of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) loan programme. Volumes on the mainboard of the exchange dried up while third-tier stocks continued their dominance. Click to see more

US contributes \$242m for flood relief

Pakistan has received \$242 million from the United States to support flood relief, recovery efforts, disaster resilience and food security and the US-Pakistani diaspora contributed about \$42m to the total. On Tuesday, US Ambassador to Pakistan Donald Blome highlighted the valuable contributions of the diaspora and the private sector at a US Agency for International Development (USAID) conference aimed at building back better for flood-affected communities in Pakistan. Click to see more

Auto financing falls for eighth month in row

The outstanding auto financing continued to decline for the eighth consecutive month in February dipping almost 9 per cent to Rs326 billion from Rs357bn in the same month last year, data released by the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) showed on Tuesday. Car financing would remain depressed in coming months due to a massive rise in monthly instalments on account of soaring interest rates and surging vehicle prices and delay in delivery due to plant shutdowns. 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	

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)

Commodities			
Current	Previous	Change	
1,043	1,043	0.00%	
9,429	9,527	-1.03%	
2,626	2,531	3.75%	
1,928.15	1,926.92	0.06%	
1,929.40	1,924.25	0.27%	
79.27	81.20	-2.38%	
79.68	81.33	-2.03%	
9.45	10.44	-9.48%	
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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%

Govt bonds fail to attract dollars despite record returns

A record increase in returns on treasury bills and Pakistan Investment Bonds (PIBs) has failed to attract a single dollar. The State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) increased the interest rate by 300 basis points to 20 per cent and the discount rate to 21pc on March 2 to counter high inflation. Before announcing the interest rate hike, the government had already increased the treasury bill returns to 21 per cent. Banking experts said the decision favoured investors, mostly banks, but was against the government as the borrowing became too costly. Click to see more

Industries suffering amid raw material shortage

The Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LCCI) on Tuesday urged the government to formulate a policy on the import of raw material. In a statement released on Tuesday, acting LCCI President Zafar Mehmood Chaudhry warned, "Industrial closure due to an acute shortage of raw material will be a new phenomenon that is likely to disturb the government in the coming days." He said that the banks' refusal to issue LCs is delaying the industry's access to raw material. As a result, both the industry's ability to meet local market demand and volume of exports are declining. Click to see more

Tax incentives demanded

Pakistan's women entrepreneurs have unanimously called for a separate entrepreneurship policy for women in the country. The demand came up at an online consultative session arranged by SMEDA, and was attended by female entrepreneurs from across the country. The entrepreneurs complained that women have no special tax incentives and that they bear a burden of over 45% in taxes. Click to see more

Discos, KE seek to charge Rs8.5bn additional fuel cost

In an unending tariff increase streak, the ex-Wapda distribution companies (Discos) and K-Electric have demanded permission to charge about Rs8.5bn additional fuel cost to their consumers at the rate of about 86 paisa and Rs1.66 per unit, respectively, in April. The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has accepted the respective tariff petitions and has called public hearings on March 30 to see if the proposed increase in tariff is justified in line with monthly fuel cost adjustment (FCA) mechanism. Click to see more



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HOLD	In between -10% and +10% from last closing price
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- Dividend Discount Model (DDM)
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