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Market- Key Statistics Current **Previous** Change KSE100 Index 41,167.60 40,949.84 217.76 95.24 27,175.12 27,079.88 All Shares Index 95.64 KSE30 Index 15,528.28 15,432.64 KMI30 Index 70,846.63 70,750.65 95.98 Volume (mn) 196,330,54 96,480,52 9,985,0

Source: PSX

Top Losers-KSE100 Index

| Symbol | Price | % Change | Volume |
|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| TSMF | 4 | (-9.09%) | 1,000 |
| RCML | 596.63 | (-7.50%) | 100 |
| STJT | 80.6 | (-6.39%) | 500 |
| ALNRS | 47 | (-6.02%) | 500 |
| BTL | 360 | (-4.59%) | 100 |

Top Winners-KSE100 Index

| Symbol | Price | % Change | Volume |
|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| MERIT | 9.8 | 10.86% | 62,500 |
| HAEL | 6.2 | 8.77% | 500 |
| QUET | 19.07 | 7.50% | 17,500 |
| SSOM | 102.47 | 7.33% | 1,000 |
| SITC | 281 | 7.23% | 500 |

Volume Leaders KSE-All Index

| Symbol | Price | % Change | Volume |
|--------|--------|----------|-----------|
| MLCF | 23.8 | (-0.96%) | 1,476,330 |
| KAPCO | 28.8 | 1.77% | 1,383,952 |
| HUBC | 68.45 | 0.16% | 618,445 |
| UBL | 110.55 | 0.36% | 569,970 |
| \/\/TI | 1 25 | (-0.79%) | 539 747 |

Volume Leaders KMI-30 Index

| Price | % Change | Volume (mn) |
|-------|----------------------------------|---|
| 23.81 | -0.92% | 22.37 |
| 90.40 | -0.42% | 10.35 |
| 14.89 | 0.07% | 10.22 |
| 57.70 | -1.85% | 6.03 |
| 13.90 | 0.43% | 5.24 |
| | 23.81 90.40 14.89 57.70 | 23.81 -0.92% 90.40 -0.42% 14.89 0.07% 57.70 -1.85% |

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Pakistan looks to export mangoes, software to US

The United States and Pakistan will hold their first ministerial-level meeting on trade in Washington on Thursday which, Islamabad hopes, will gain greater access to the US market for its mangoes and software. US Trade Representative (USTR) "Ambassador Katherine Tai will host a meeting under the US-Pakistan Trade and Investment Framework Agreement (TIFA) with Pakistan's Minister of Comm-erce Syed Naveed Qamar" in Washington on Thursday, her office said in a statement. Click to see more

Belt-tightening ordered to avert economic storm

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has asked his ministers and advisers to forego their salaries, benefits and luxury cars and fly economy class as part of an austerity drive aimed at saving the government Rs200 billion a year. The belttightening comes as the government is trying to resume a stalled loan programme of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to secure funds worth \$1 billion. The premier said an agreement with the Fund was in its final stages. Click to see more

Pakistan expected to receive \$700 million loan from Chinese bank this week

Finance Minister Ishaq Dar announced on Wednesday that the board of the China Development Bank (CDB) has approved a loan facility of \$700 million for Pakistan and formalities in this regard have been completed. The State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) was expected to receive the money this week, which would help shore up the country's dwindling foreign exchange reserves, Dar wrote on Twitter. Pakistan is in dire need of funds as it battles a worsening economic crisis with the country's foreign exchange reserves dropping to around \$3 billion, barely enough to cover three weeks of controlled imports. Click to see more

Impasse in talks with IMF on debt surcharge

Pakistan and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) on Wednesday failed to break impasse on a new contentious issue of permanently imposing a Rs3.82 per unit debt surcharge to recover Rs284 billion more from electricity consumers. Against the government's decision to impose the new surcharge for eight months (March-October 2023), the IMF has asked the government to keep the levy as a permanent fixture in electricity bills until the government settles the Rs800 billion circular debt parked in a company. Click to see more

Inflation, financial sector top priorities

Pakistan's central bank has said that controlling inflation and having a vibrant financial sector are the top two priorities while supporting the government for implementing its economic growth policies comes at third place. State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) Deputy Governor Sima Kamil said that the central bank had three clear objectives at present. "First (is) price stability, second (is) financial sector stability, (and third is) supporting the government's economic growth policies as long as first two objectives are not compromised." 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 | | |
| Source: SBP | | | |

| FIPI/LIPI (USD Million) | |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| FIPI (22-Feb-23) | (0.104) |
| Individuals (22-Feb-23) | 0.359 |
| Companies (22-Feb-23) | 0.837 |
| Banks/DFI (22-Feb-23) | (0.018) |
| NBFC (22-Feb-23) | (0.000111) |
| Mutual Fund (22-Feb-23) | (0.412) |
| Other Organization (22-Feb-23) | 0.195 |
| Brokers (22-Feb-23) | (0.0064) |
| Insurance Comp: (22-Feb-23) | (0.852) |
| Source: NCCPI | |

| 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\$ | 263 | 264.5 | -0.57% |
| PKR / EUR | 279 | 282 | -1.06% |
| PKR / GBP | 316.5 | 314.8 | 0.54% |
| PKR / JPY | 2.06 | 2.06 | 0.00% |
| PKR / SAR | 69.8 | 70.1 | -0.43% |
| PKR / AED | 71.8 | 72.1 | -0.42% |
| PKR / AUD | 179 | 178 | 0.56% |
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T-bill yields rise to 26-year high

Commercial banks have jacked up interest rate aggressively by almost two percentage points to a 26-year high close to 20% on financing to the cash-strapped government, signalling that the central bank is all set to increase key policy rate soon. The high interest rate compelled the government to raise only Rs258 billion through the sale of its debt securities namely T-bills against the target of Rs300 billion. Click to see more

Govt, KE ink deal to settle Rs312.7m dispute

The federal government and K-Electric (KE) are said to have inked a pact to settle 27-year old dispute of Rs 312.733 million, after litigation, a part of which has already been deposited with Collectorate of Customs Karachi Sharing the details, sources said, KESC (now K-Electric) imported high voltage equipment and electrical material for rehabilitation and expansion of Transmission, Grid and Distribution system during 1995-96. However, owing to non-payment of custom duty amounting to Rs. 321.733 million by KESC, 40 consignments of equipment remained blocked at port for some time. Click to see more

Automakers pass on GST hike to buyers

While continuously increasing the prices on the pretext of rupee devaluation and rising raw material prices, assemblers on Tuesday passed on the impact of one per cent hike in general sales tax to the consumers. Indus Motor Company (IMC) had already raised prices thrice in one month. In the fourth price jump, the company has announced new price of Yaris 1.3 MT, 1.3 CVT, 1.3 H MT, 1.3 H CVT, 1.5 MT and 1.5 CVT to Rs4.316 million, Rs4.588m, Rs4.558m, Rs4.790n, Rs4.911m and Rs5.213m from Rs4.279m, Rs4.549m, Rs4.519m, Rs4.749m, Rs4.869m and Rs5.169m. Click to see more

IMF likely to announce EFF deal this week

Federal Minister of Commerce Syed Naveed Qamar said on Wednesday that the International Monetary Fund (IMF) was likely to announce its staff-level agreement on the Extended Fund Facility (EFF) with Pakistan this week. "Pakistan has taken all the measures needed to unfreeze a \$6.5 billion credit line and expects to clinch the deal 'any day now'," the minister said in an interview with Bloomberg. After formal announcement by the fund, Pakistan will get a \$1.2 billion tranche under the EFF. 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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- Interest Rate Risk
- Exchange rate risk

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