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For-sale' PIA hit by worst-ever fuel crisis

Once a profitable entity and the pride of a nation, the national flag carrier's fortunes plummeted to an all-time low on Sunday, when its operations ground to a halt yet again, due to a lack of fuel. While Pakistan International Airlines (PIA), suffering losses to the tune of Rs750 billion, is no stranger to recurring crises, the current situation is probably the most dire in recent years as 77 flights were cancelled on Sunday after Pakistan State Oil (PSO) cut the carrier's fuel supply. This was the second time in less than seven days that the two state entities have come face to face with each other. Click to see more

Market- Key Statistics Current **Previous** Change 208.33 KSE100 Index 41,793.87 41,585.54 162.46 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

To	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

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 set to ratify soaring gas charges before IMF review

Before seeking final dates for the second review of the ongoing IMF loan programme, the government has convened a special meeting of the Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) on Monday (today) to discuss and clear an unprecedented surge of 3,900 per cent in fixed monthly charges and a 194pc hike in consumer rates for natural gas. These price adjustments, set for cabinet's ratification on Tuesday, aim to be implemented retroactively from Oct 1. This is on top of the petroleum division's request to shift towards a new gas pricing mechanism on the pattern of the weighted average cost of local and imported gas (WACOG) to ensure the actual cost of gas supply and eradicate the flow of the gas sector's circular debt. Click to see more

Uptick in quarterly non-textile exports

Pakistan's exports of non-textile products saw a paltry growth of 1.33 per cent in the first quarter of the current fiscal year from a year ago. The growth was observed despite a sharp drop in the country's main exports of textiles and clothing in the same period, according to data compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics. The start of 2023-24 saw a continued downward trend in the export of value-added products, significantly impacting non-textile products as well. Click to see more

Pak-Iranian border can be turned into 'economic border'

Iranian Ambassador in Pakistan Dr Reza Amiri Mughaddam on Sunday suggested that 950-km long Pakistan and Iran common borders can be turned into the economic border, which will bring economic prosperity and peace in the region. He was talking to group of reporters after meeting with foreign affairs expert Muhammad Mehdi. On this occasion Consulate General of Iran Lahore Mehran Movahed Far and First Consul S Fallah were also present. 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: SRP		

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: NCCPL	

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%	

Prices of daily-use items remain high despite cut in fuel rates

Prices of daily use items like vegetables, pulses, sugar, flour, live chicken/meat are still high in the retail market despite reduction in fuel prices. Buyers said authorities concerned failed to implement the recently issued official price-list and provide relief after massive reduction in prices of petroleum commodities. District administration issued a new price-list following an unprecedented cut in PoL prices by the caretaker government last week. However, the implementation was nowhere in the city and vendors continuously squeezed buyers with self-imposed rates. Click to see more

From Libor to SOFR: DFIs anxiously waiting for transition

Nearly a dozen Development Finance Institutions (DFIs) are anxiously waiting for transition from USD London Interbank Offer Rate (Libor) to Secured Over Night Financing Rate (SOFR) in the Pakistani energy sector, as a consensus has already evolved between the DFIs and concerned Pakistani entities The ten DFI comprising Asian Development Bank (ADB), British International Investment plc (BI), DEG - Deutsche Investitions- und Entwicklungsgesellschaft mbH (DEG), US International Development Finance Corporation (DFC), Nederlandse Financierings- Maatschappij voor Ontwikkelingslanden N.V. (FMO), International Finance Corporation (IFC), Islamic Corporation for the Development of the Private Sector (ICD), Islamic Development Bank (IsDB), The Export-Import Bank of Korea (KEXIM) and Societe De Promotion Et De Participation Pour La Coopération Economique S.A. (Proparco) in a joint letter written to Pakistani authorities have referred to their earlier letters of November 22, 2022, April 5, 2023 and May 29 2023, regarding the transition from USD LIBOR to SOFR in the Pakistani energy sector (LIBOR Transition). Click to see more



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HOLD	In between -10% and +10% from last closing price
SELL	Less than -10% from last closing price

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- 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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