## **MORNING GLANCE**





63,919	▼ -252	▼ -0.39%
337 mn	YTD -1.15%	1 Year 56.66%

	ASIA	Value	Pts	Chg. (%)
8	NIFTY 50	21,618.70	73.85	0.34% 🔺
	DSE 30	2,101.90	0.33	0.02% 🔻
*>	SHANGHAI	2,879.17	1.46	0.05% 🔺
崭	Hang Seng	16,296.00	211.00	1.31% 🔺
٠	Nikkei 225	35,117.50	675.78	1.96% 🔺
	EUROPE	Value	Pts	Chg. (%)
	FTSE 100	7,651.76	32.2	0.42% 🔻
-	DAX 30	16,689.81	1.45	0.01% 🔺
	USA	Value	Pts	Chg. (%)
	DOW JONES	37,695.73	170.57	0.45% 🔺
	S&P 500	4,783.45	26.95	0.57% 🔺
	NASDAQ	16,793.04	114.34	0.69% 🔺
	Commodities	Value	Chg.	Chg. (%)
	Gold (t oz.)	2,033.25	5.45	0.27% 🔺
	Oil-WTI (bbl)	71.50	0.13	0.18% 🔺
	Currencies	Value	Chg.	Chg. (%)
	USD/PKR	281.28	0.06	0.02% 🔺
$\langle \hat{Q} \rangle$	EURO/PKR	307.56	0.55	0.18% 🔻
Ж	GBP/PKR	357.26	1.1	0.31% 🔻
	AED/PKR	76.59	0.02	0.03% 🔺
Source	e: dps.psx.com.pk, investing.com, fore	ex.com		

## Market Outlook

The stock market on Wednesday remained volatile throughout the day and concluded the session in the red zone amid escalated political tensions in the country. The Benchmark KSE-100 index made an intra-day high and low at 64,550.94 (380.37 points) and 63,873.63 (296.94 points) respectively while closed at 63,919.84 by losing 250.73 points. Trading volume increased to 337mn shares as compared to 254mn shares on the previous trading day. Going forward, we expect the market to remain positive amid reduction in cutoff across different tenures in TBills auction, hinting token cut in the upcoming MPC meeting. The resistance for the index resides at 65,000, if it breaks above this level then it will be targeting 67,000. Meanwhile the support for the index resides at 63700.

🗄 Key News

#### International

## Global Stocks Advance Ahead of US Inflation Data: Markets Wrap

Japan's stocks led an advance in Asian equities while the dollar slipped as investors awaited US inflation data that will help clarify the path for Federal Reserve policy. Benchmark Japanese share gauges were poised to notch fresh three-decade highs, thanks in part to the yen's see more...

#### Oil prices tick up as Middle East tensions rise

Oil prices ticked higher in Asian trading as markets measured rising tensions in the Middle East against a surprise build in U.S. crude stockpiles that pushed oil benchmarks down about 80 cents in the previous session. U.S. West Texas Intermediate crude futures gained 20 cents, or 0.28%, to reach \$71.57 a barrel by 0202 GMT. Benchmark Brent crude oil. see more...

#### Politics

#### General elections; ECP to publish revised list today

The poll organisation is scheduled to publish Thursday (Jan 11) the revised list of the candidates contesting the upcoming general elections, after the time period for deciding appeals by the appellate tribunals against the decisions of returning officers related to nomination papers submission ended Wednesday. see more...

## Economy

### PKR: upward trajectory - Positive

The Pakistani rupee maintained its upward trajectory against the US dollar for the sixth successive session, appreciating a marginal 0.03% in the inter-bank market on Wednesday. As per the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP), the rupee settled at 281.13 after an increase of Re0.09. On Tuesday, the rupee had registered a marginal gain to settle at 281.22 against the US dollar. see more...

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# related uncertainty: WB - Neutral

While keeping Pakistan's GDP growth projections unchanged at Pakistan State Oil (PSO), the country's largest oil marketing 1.7 and 2.4 percent for FY24 and FY25, the World Bank (WB) states that parliamentary elections are scheduled for 2024 in several South Asian countries, including Pakistan, and heightened uncertainty around these elections could dampen foreign investment. "In a number of SAR economies see more...

### High lending rates, inflation weigh growth outlook down -Neutral

In Pakistan, the economic outlook for FY24 remains subdued, with growth projected at only 1.7pc. Monetary policy is expected to remain tight to contain inflation, while fiscal policy is also set to be contractionary, reflecting pressures from high debt-service payments", said the World Bank in its latest publication Global Economic Prospects — January 2024" released. see more...

## Disinformation may undermine new govts' legitimacy, warns World Economic Forum - Neutral

The report warned that the widespread use of misinformation and disinformation, and tools to disseminate it, may undermine the legitimacy of newly elected governments in countries that are heading to polls in the coming years, including Pakistan, India, Indonesia, Mexico, the UK and US. The report, released ahead of the upcoming gathering of political and see more...

#### Dec workers' remittances post 5.4pc growth MoM - Neutral

Inflows of workers' remittances recorded 5.4 percent growth in December 2023 compared to November 2023, the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) reported on Wednesday. According to SBP, Pakistan received home remittances amounted to \$ 2.381 billion in Dec 2023 compared to \$ 2.258 billion in Nov 2023, depicting an increase of \$ 123 million. Year on Year basis, inflows of workers' remittances also recorded an increase of. see more...

#### Govt borrows Rs283bn thru MTB auction - Neutral

Overall, T-Bill auction fetched record participation of Rs2.75 trillion, however the federal government raised only Rs283 billion including Rs 66 billion of non-competitive bids as against the target of Rs100 billion and maturity of Rs122 billion. Analysts at Topline said that investors aggressively tried to lock in rates at higher yields amid expectation of rate fall. But the government raised far lesser amount compared to received bids. see more...

## Pakistan among states to see foreign investment hit by polls- PSO wins govt approval to import HSD on behalf of all OMCs Positive

company, has received approval from the government to exclusively import high-speed diesel (HSD) to meet the domestic demand, an official document showed. The Petroleum Division of the Ministry of Energy has agreed to PSO's proposal, made in September last year,. see more...

### Govt grants SAZEW first license for electric rickshaw manufacturing – Positive

Sazgar Engineering Works Limited (SAZEW) received the first license for electric rickshaw manufacturing at a special event hosted by the Punjab Transport Department in Lahore on Tuesday. Caretaker Punjab Chief Minister Mohsin Nagvi, present at the ceremony, expressed optimism about a future dominated by all-electric vehicles in Pakistan . see more...

## Makers raise steel prices amid dull demand - Positive

Pakistan Association of Large Steel Producers (PALSP) General Secretary Syed Wajid Bukhari claimed that the new rates of steel bars hovered between Rs250,000-262,000 per tonne depending on the quality. He said some loss-making mills could not pass on the needed increase due to low demand. Several units have closed recently and many declared losses and most of the mills are working on see more...

#### PC approves sale of 51pc stake in PIA, advances legal segregation plan – Neutral

The Privatisation Commission (PC) in its recent board meeting, chaired by Privatisation Minister Fawad Hasan Fawad, has given the go-ahead for the transaction structure to sell a minimum of 51 percent stake in Pakistan International Airlines (PIA), as reported by Express Tribune. This move comes after the strategic division of PIA's balance sheet, see more...

### Cybersecurity budget gaps leave many companies vulnerable to attacks: study - Neutral

Globally, 15 percent of companies have experienced cyber incidents due to insufficient cybersecurity investment in the last two years, according to a study by Kaspersky, a global cybersecurity and digital privacy company. The study, which surveyed IT security professionals from small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and large corporations, found. see more...



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TP	Target Price	DDM	Dividend Discount Model	FCF	Free Cash Flows
FCFE	Free Cash Flows to Equity	FCFF	Free Cash Flows to Firm	DCF	Discounted Cash Flows
PE	Price to Earnings Ratio	PB	Price to Book Ratio	BVPS	Book Value Per Share
EPS	Earnings Per Share	DPS	Dividend Per Share	ROE	Return of Equity
ROA	Return on Assets	SOTP	Sum of the Parts	JPB	Justified Price to Book

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