

MORNING GLANCE



65,656

▼ -70

▼ -0.11%

192 mn

YTD 1.54%

1 Year 58.84%

Market Outlook

The stock market on Wednesday remained positive in first half of the day, followed by a decline in the second half and concluded the session in the red zone aimed PHC grants SIC plea and restrains oath taking on reserved seats. The Benchmark KSE-100 index made an intra-day high and low at 66,150.94 (424.90 points) and 65,603.88 (-122.16 points) respectively while closed at 65,656.62 by losing 69.42 points. Trading volume increased to 192mn shares as compared to 186mn shares on the previous trading day. The market is currently on a crucial level of 66,000 where the 'Resistance/Supply zone' is residing, if the market is able to sustain this level then it could be anticipated to rally up to 67,000. Contrarily If the market breaks below 65,000, then it could fall to around 63,500.

Key News

International

Asia stocks rise with several indexes hitting record highs; China trade data awaited

Several Asia-Pacific stock indexes hit record highs Thursday, while investors awaited trade data from China. The Nikkei 225 hit a record high before trading 0.14% lower, while the broader Topix gained 0.4%, also hitting a record high. [see more...](#)

Oil prices rise more than 1% on Fed rate cut outlook, signs of rising gasoline demand

Crude oil futures rose Wednesday as Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell indicated that interest rates will likely come down this year, though the central bank is moving cautiously. The West Texas Intermediate contract for April gained 98 cents, or 1.25%, to [see more...](#)

Politics

















SC issues historic mea culpa on Bhutto's trial

After a delay of over 44 years, the Supreme Court finally corrected a historic wrong by accepting that the murder trial of former prime minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto was unfair and lacked due process, both at the trial stage and in the endorsement of the verdict by the appellate court. [see more...](#)

Economy

PIA privatisation: PM seeks 'final' schedule - Neutral

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has sought final schedule for the implementation of the privatisation of the Pakistan International Airlines (PIA). While presiding over a high-level meeting on privatisation of the PIA and restructuring of the Federal Board of Revenue (FBR), the prime minister directed that the Ministry of Privatisation should present the schedule of PIA's privatization in the next two days after taking the necessary steps. He further stated that no laziness and [see more...](#)

ASIA		Value	Pts	Chg. (%)
	NIFTY 50	22,474.05	117.75	0.53% ▲
	DSE 30	2,108.32	18.48	0.87% ▼
	SHANGHAI	3,057.90	17.97	0.59% ▲
	Hang Seng	16,436.50	1.59	0.01% ▼
	Nikkei 225	39,801.50	321	0.80% ▼
EUROPE		Value	Pts	Chg. (%)
	FTSE 100	7,679.31	33.15	0.43% ▲
	DAX 30	17,726.65	9.94	0.06% ▲
USA		Value	Pts	Chg. (%)
	DOW JONES	38,661.05	75.86	0.20% ▲
	S&P 500	5,104.76	26.11	0.51% ▲
	NASDAQ	18,017.57	119.71	0.67% ▲
Commodities		Value	Chg.	Chg. (%)
	Gold (t oz.)	2,158.15	0.05	-
	Oil-WTI (bbl)	79.13	-	-
Currencies		Value	Chg.	Chg. (%)
	USD/PKR	279.35	0.09	0.03% ▲
	EURO/PKR	303.09	-	-
	GBP/PKR	355.06	0.93	0.26% ▲
	AED/PKR	76.06	0.01	0.01% ▲

Source: dps.psx.com.pk, investing.com, forex.com

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Banks' deposits increase by 21.66% YoY to Rs27.89tr in February - Neutral

The total deposits held by scheduled banks have moved up by 21.66% YoY to Rs27.89 trillion in February 2024 compared to Rs22.92tr in February 2023. According to data released by the SBP, Banks' deposits have edged higher by 1.26% MoM, compared to Rs27.54tr in January 2024. [see more...](#)

PM Shehbaz seeks proposals to cut govt spending - Neutral

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Tuesday directed the authorities concerned to formulate proposals for reducing government expenditures and overhauling the country's economic structure. He also directed the authorities to immediately initiate the process of complete digitisation and automation of the Federal Board of Revenue (FBR), which he himself would oversee. Presiding over a high-level meeting at the [see more...](#)

SBP sells T-bills worth Rs527bn, yields drop by up to 30bps - Positive

The State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) conducted an auction on Wednesday in which it sold Market Treasury Bills (MTBs) worth Rs526.98 billion for 3, 6 and 12 months against a target of Rs225bn. Cut off yields for 3, 6, and 12 months were 21.4002%, 20.3949%, and 20.2998%. The yields for 3-month and 12-month MTBs experienced a decrease of 30 basis points [see more...](#)

EAD explains how borrowing can be productive - Neutral

The government of Pakistan signed new agreements worth \$642 million, as commitments, in the first quarter of the current fiscal year (July-September) 2023-24, says the Economic Affairs Division (EAD). Official data revealed that World Bank committed \$542 million (84 per cent of total commitments) and Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) committed \$100 million (16 per cent) during the period under review. [see more...](#)

Recovery from PIA: PSO receiveables soar to Rs 21.7bn - Neutral

The Pakistan State Oil (PSO) has proposed the imposition of a levy of upto Rs4 per litre on Jet-A1 to recover outstanding receivables from Pakistan International Airlines (PIA), well-informed sources told Business Recorder. Sharing the details, recently, the Board of Management (BOM) of the PSO was informed that as at January 31, 2024, the principal [see more...](#)

Saudi team briefed about SIFC - Neutral

A high-level delegation of Al-Ajlan Holding Group of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia visited the Special Investment Facilitation Council (SIFC) on Wednesday. The group was headed by Mohammed Bin Abdulaziz Alajlan, deputy chairman, along with members representing various sectors, operating under the ambit of Al-Ajlan Holding Group. [see more...](#)

Rs125m TSG for IB approved - Neutral

The government has approved the provision of an additional Rs125 million to the Intelligence Bureau (IB) during the ongoing fiscal year enabling it to meet the increasing requirements of operations against terrorists and anti-state elements. The decision was taken by the last meeting of the Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) of the Cabinet dated 14th February 2024 on a summary [see more...](#)

Sukuk, other Shariah-compliant financing modes: Govt wants more loans against its unencumbered assets - Neutral

The federal government has decided to issue domestic and international Sukuk and raise other Shariah-compliant financing facilities against unencumbered assets of the government, well-informed sources told Business Recorder. This decision was taken by the caretaker Federal Cabinet on February 26, 2024, on a summary [see more...](#)

Private sector import of wheat: Deadline extended despite opposition by Punjab - Neutral

The federal government has extended the deadline for the import of milling wheat till March 31, 2024, by the private sector despite opposition from the Punjab government, which is worried about slow lifting by the mills, well-informed sources told Business Recorder. The decision was taken at a recent meeting held in the Ministry of National [see more...](#)

FBR issues Rs65bn refunds to exporters - Positive

The Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) has issued all outstanding refunds as on March 3, 2024 to exporters amounting to Rs65 billion. The break-up of refunds revealed that Rs60 billion refunds have been issued under the head of sales tax whereas Rs5 billion refunds have been released within the category of income tax. [see more...](#)

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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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