



72,761	▼ -3	▼ -0.00%
270 mn	YTD 12.53%	1 Year 73.95%

ASIA	Value	Pts	Chg. (%)
NIFTY 50	22,254.50	48	0.22% ▼
DSE 30	2,007.86	-	-
SHANGHAI	3,134.75	12.99	0.41% ▼
Hang Seng	18,444.50	34.87	0.19% ▼
Nikkei 225	38,252.50	544	1.40% ▼

EUROPE	Value	Pts	Chg. (%)
FTSE 100	8,313.67	100.18	1.22% ▲
DAX 30	18,438.53	263.32	1.45% ▲

USA	Value	Pts	Chg. (%)
DOW JONES	38,884.26	31.99	0.08% ▲
S&P 500	5,187.70	6.96	0.13% ▲
NASDAQ	18,091.45	2.12	0.01% ▼

Commodities	Value	Chg.	Chg. (%)
Gold (t oz.)	2,326.20	2.00	0.09% ▲
Oil-WTI (bbl)	78.06	0.32	0.41% ▼

Currencies	Value	Chg.	Chg. (%)
USD/PKR	278.35	0.15	0.05% ▼
EURO/PKR	300.12	0.08	0.03% ▲
GBP/PKR	349.32	0.23	0.07% ▲
AED/PKR	76.27	-	-

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

Market Outlook

The stock market on Tuesday remained positive in the first half of the day, followed by a decline in the second half and concluded the session in the red zone amid profit taking by the investors. The Benchmark KSE-100 index made an intra-day high and low at 73,260.08 (495.84 points) and 72,707.95 (-56.29) respectively while closed at 72,761.19 by losing 3.05 points. Trading volume decreased to 270mn shares as compared to 313mn shares on the previous trading day. Going forward, we expect the market to remain volatile as the profit taking is underway and also a hint from Finance minister to cut rate. The resistance for the index resides at 73,300. Breaking this level would further push the index towards 73,700. Contrarily, the support for the index resides at 72,000.

Key News

International

Asian Stocks Edge Lower With Earnings in Focus: Markets Wrap

Stocks in Asia slid following a sluggish US session, with investors seeking firm evidence of an earnings recovery before taking this month's rally further. The dollar gained. Japanese equities underperformed the region, as Nintendo tumbled on a weak outlook and investors awaited Toyota Motor's earnings [see more...](#)

Oil Declines With US Stockpiles and Mideast Tensions in Focus

Oil fell to near the lowest level since mid-March, with a mildly bearish US stockpile report and tensions in the Middle East in focus. Brent dipped below \$83 a barrel, after dropping to the lowest since March 13 on Tuesday, while West Texas Intermediate declined toward \$78. Crude stockpiles at the Cushing, Oklahoma, hub rose [see more...](#)

Politics

May 9 rioters, plotters need to be penalised: Army

The Pakistan Army on Tuesday gave a categorical message that there would be no deal or talks with perpetrators of May 9 violence, maintaining that such elements were left with only one option — earnestly apologise to the nation for their crimes. At a news briefing, Inter-Services Public Relations Director General [see more...](#)

Economy

IMF urges Pakistan for Rs1.3trn in additional taxes - Neutral

The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has recommended Pakistan implement additional taxes of around Rs1.3 trillion in the upcoming budget. As per a news report, these potential taxes will raise the Federal Board of Revenue's (FBR) annual target to Rs12.3 trillion. Half of the proposed additional taxes are suggested to be recovered from salaried and business individuals. [see more...](#)

MORNING GLANCE

High-level Saudi team's visit concludes on positive note - **Positive**

Almubarak highlighted the Saudi government's ongoing interest in Pakistan and emphasized that the current visit is an extension of earlier agreements, demonstrating the Saudi government and companies' desire to invest in Pakistan. Ahead of the visit of the Saudi delegation, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif [see more...](#)

Govt mulling taking big step to reduce pension burden - **Neutral**

While addressing a press conference along with Minister for Information Atta Tarar and Minister for Law Azam Nazeer Tarar, the finance minister said that the visiting Saudi delegation has expressed great confidence and the business-to-business meetings have been very positive as positive economic indicators have improved confidence of the investors. [see more...](#)

Erstwhile tribal areas: Tax, duty exemptions not to be extended beyond June 30 – **Neutral**

It is learnt that the government had granted a one-year extension in exemption from duties and taxes for the erstwhile tribal areas up to June 30, 2024, under the Finance Act, 2023. This exemption was valid up to June 30, 2024, but there is no intention to further extend this exemption in the coming budget.. [see more...](#)

Attachment of bank accounts of taxpayers: FBR orders sales tax/FED recovery only after approval by field committees - **Neutral**

In this regard, the FBR has issued new instructions to all the Chief Commissioners of IR on the sales tax recovery. According to the FBR, in case, there is no restraining order by any court or law, or there is no stay order by the Commissioner IR (Appeals) or the Tribunal, the recovery of tax through [see more...](#)

ST registered persons: FBR modifies requirement of filing balance sheet - **Neutral**

Sales taxpayers can now submit a sum of capital and liabilities instead of a balance sheet in the monthly sales tax returns. In this regard, the FBR has issued a notification SRO 644 (I)/2024 here on Tuesday to amend the Sales Tax Rules, 2006 According to the details, the FBR has recently introduced the filing of. [see more...](#)

Official reserve assets surge to \$15.05bn as of April - **Positive**

The official reserve assets, including foreign currency reserves, reserve position in funds, Special Drawing Rights (SDRs), gold, and other reserve assets, rose to \$15.05 billion as of April 2024 compared to \$13.77bn recorded in the previous month. This translates to a rise of [see more...](#)

Finance Minister hints at potential rate cut by SBP next month - **Positive**

Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb indicates probable interest rate reduction in June or July, citing a downtrend in inflation and positive outcomes of Saudi Arabia's recent visit Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb hinted at a potential interest rate cut by the State. [see more...](#)

Can't be dictated: FM Dar rules out US reservations on Pak-Iran gas pipeline – **Neutral**

Responding to a question on the project during a press conference at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Islamabad, FM Dar said: "We have to watch our interests, look at our commitments and the government has to make decisions while keeping Pakistan's interest in mind about [see more...](#)

QTA mechanism: Discos seek Rs1.60 per unit positive adjustment - **Neutral**

National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) is scheduled to conduct a public hearing on May 17, 2024 on the petition of Discos filed by Central Power Purchasing Agency Guaranteed (CPPA-G). Of the total requested adjustment of Rs51.883 billion, Rs 31.348 billion is on account of capacity charges to be paid to power generation plants. [see more...](#)

Govt mulls Chinese demand for offshore accounts amid CPEC energy debt talks - **Neutral**

The ongoing dialogue between Pakistan and Chinese investors regarding energy debts under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) has intensified, with Chinese investors insisting on offshore bank accounts to service these debts. This development has sparked [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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