



60,459	▲ 586	▲ 0.98%
126 mn	YTD -6.5%	1 Year 48.65%

ASIA	Value	Pts	Chg. (%)
NIFTY 50	22,122.25	81.55	0.37% ▲
DSE 30	2,157.06	15.29	0.70% ▼
SHANGHAI	2,907.81	2.74	0.09% ▼
Hang Seng	16,121.00	34.61	0.21% ▼
Nikkei 225	38,450.00	20.38	0.05% ▼

EUROPE	Value	Pts	Chg. (%)
FTSE 100	7,728.50	16.79	0.22% ▲
DAX 30	17,092.26	25.18	0.15% ▼

USA	Value	Pts	Chg. (%)
DOW JONES	38,627.99	145.13	0.37% ▼
S&P 500	5,005.57	24.16	0.48% ▼
NASDAQ	17,685.98	159.74	0.90% ▼

Commodities	Value	Chg.	Chg. (%)
Gold (t oz.)	2,028.55	0.85	0.04% ▼
Oil-WTI (bbl)	78.30	0.08	0.10% ▲

Currencies	Value	Chg.	Chg. (%)
USD/PKR	279.36	-	-
EURO/PKR	301.27	0.61	0.20% ▲
GBP/PKR	352.70	1.29	0.37% ▲
AED/PKR	76.06	-	-

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

Market Outlook

The stock market on Monday opened on a negative note. However, later on, it gained momentum and concluded the session in the green zone amid increased investor confidence resulted from a sustained period of selling, fostering positive sentiment and driving stock exchange performance. The Benchmark KSE-100 index made an intra-day high and low at 60,504.48 (631.52 points) and 59,191.85 (-681.11 points) respectively while closed at 60,459.74 by gaining 586.78 points. Trading volume decreased to 126mn shares as compared to 163mn shares on the previous trading day. Going forward, we expect the market to remain volatile as uncertainty prevailing in the country with regards to formation of new government. The support for the index resides at 60,000. Breaking this level would further drag the index towards 59,500. Contrarily, the resistance for the index resides at 61,500.

Key News

International

Asia stocks muted, Baht falls on Thailand PM's rate cut plea
 Asian stocks held to tight ranges Tuesday as investors await fresh catalysts after US markets were closed for a holiday Monday. Australian stocks fell, weighed down by BHP Group after the miner missed profit estimates, while Japan stocks advanced slightly. Futures contracts for Hong Kong shares edged [see more...](#)

Oil Holds Near Three-Month High After Another Red Sea Attack

Oil held gains near the highest level in over three months after another Houthi strike in the Red Sea, with tensions in the key region for crude production and trade continuing to simmer. Brent traded above \$83 a barrel after three days of gains, while West Texas Intermediate was near \$79. [see more...](#)

Politics

PTI-backed independents to join Sunni Ittehad Council: Barrister Gohar

PTI leader Barrister Gohar Ali Khan on Monday announced that party-backed independent candidates — who emerged victorious in the Centre, Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa during the 2024 general [see more...](#)

Economy

Next IMF programme; Fitch says political uncertainty may complicate efforts - Negative

The close outcome of Pakistan's elections and resulting near-term political uncertainty may complicate the country's efforts to secure a financing agreement with the International Monetary Fund (IMF), to succeed the Stand-By Arrangement (SBA) expiring in March [see more...](#)

MORNING GLANCE

ADB initiates country portfolio review - Neutral

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has initiated country portfolio review 2024 and is to begin preliminary discussions on country programming, well-informed sources told Business Recorder. The ADB Mission which will stay in Pakistan from February 19 to March 29, 2024 will hold meetings with the federal and provincial executing agencies and implementing agencies to agree on: (i) quantifiable targets [see more...](#)

Dollar bonds fall on political uncertainty - Negative

Pakistan's sovereign dollar bonds fell as much as 1.25 cents on Monday as rival parties struggled to form a coalition government in the aftermath of contentious - and inconclusive - nationwide elections. All bonds fell, but the April 2024 lost the most to trade at 95.88 cents on the dollar, Tradeweb data showed. The two main parties in the debt-laden South Asian country are expected to meet on Monday [see more...](#)

Jul-Jan FDI inflow down 21pc to \$689.5m YoY - Negative

Pakistan witnessed net FDI outflow of \$173 million during January 2024 as compared to net inflow of \$236.7 million during January 2023. The FDI inflows stood at \$211.1 million in December 2023. According to the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) data released on Monday, net FDI inflow declined by 21 percent on year-on-year basis to \$689.5 million during the first seven months of FY24 as compared [see more...](#)

Jan CAD stands at \$269m - Negative

Pakistan has recorded current account deficit (CAD) of \$269 million in January 2024 as compared to current account surplus (CAS) of \$404 million in December 2023 due to decline in exports and an increase in imports. According to State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) data released on Monday, the country's CAD clocked in at \$1.093 billion during the first seven months of FY24 as compared to \$3.796 billion in the same period in FY23. [see more...](#)

Pakistan records a trade deficit in services of \$317m in January - Negative

The service sector of Pakistan posed a trade deficit of \$317 million in January, reflecting an increase of 2.48x MoM, as compared to a deficit of \$128m recorded in the previous month, the latest data released by the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) showed. The service sector of Pakistan posed a trade deficit [see more...](#)

Pakistan's REER index surges to 101.7 in January - Neutral

Pakistan's Real Effective Exchange Rate (REER), a measure of the value of a currency against a weighted average of several foreign currencies, witnessed an increase as it clocked in at 101.70 in January 2024, up from 98.83 in December 2023, data released by the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) on Monday showed. [see more...](#)

OGDCL announces gas condensate discovery in Sindh - Positive

The Oil and Gas Development Company Limited (OGDCL) has announced a significant gas condensate discovery from its exploration efforts at Kharo-1, a well drilled in the Khewari exploration license area, located in District Khairpur, Sindh province. The OGDCL operates the Khewari Block, holding a 95 percent working interest, with Government Holding Private Limited (GHPL) as a joint [see more...](#)

Oil industry projects higher fuel demand for March as wheat harvest nears - Neutral

The oil sector has projected a higher demand for petroleum products, especially high speed diesel (HSD), in March 2024, as the wheat harvesting season approaches. The demand for HSD is expected to reach 590,000 tonnes in March, up from 514,000 tonnes in February, according to the projections presented by the oil sector in a meeting [see more...](#)

Refinery, petrochemical complex; PSO taps China's Sinopec for partnership with Aramco - Positive

Pakistan State Oil (PSO) has approached Chinese energy firm M/s Sinopec to partner with Saudi Arabia's Aramco in a state-of-the-art refinery and petrochemical complex in Pakistan, well-informed sources told Business Recorder. The government is also likely to include \$10 billion Saudi Aramco refinery project in framework of [see more...](#)

CCP approves merger of Korean company with MPL - Neutral

The Competition Commission of Pakistan (CCP) has approved a merger that will see a Korean company investing in Pakistan's hydropower sector. The transaction involves Korea-based M/s. DL E&C Co. Ltd (Acquirer) acquiring shares in Pakistani company M/s Mira Power Limited (MPL), which operates the 102MW Gulpur hydropower [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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