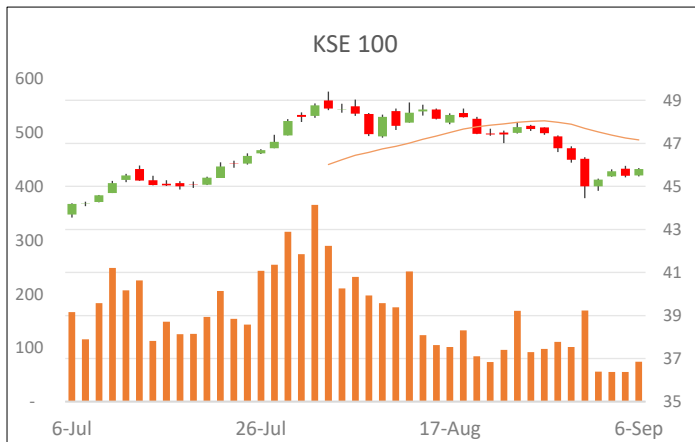












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45,807	▲ 316	▲ 0.69%
74 mn	YTD 12.23%	1 Year 9.43%

ASIA	Value	Pts	Chg. (%)
 NIFTY 50	19,611.05	36.15	0.18% ▲
 DSE 30	2,143.49	1.88	0.09% ▲
 SHANGHAI	3,137.53	20.55	0.65% ▼
 Hang Seng	18,258.00	170	0.92% ▼
 Nikkei 225	33,180.00	72.5	0.22% ▼

EUROPE	Value	Pts	Chg. (%)
 FTSE 100	7,426.14	11.79	0.16% ▼
 DAX 30	15,741.37	30.34	0.19% ▼

USA	Value	Pts	Chg. (%)
 DOW JONES	34,443.19	198.78	0.57% ▼
 S&P 500	4,465.48	31.35	0.70% ▼
 NASDAQ	15,371.44	136.79	0.88% ▼

Commodities	Value	Chg.	Chg. (%)
 Gold (t oz.)	1,943.85	0.35	0.02% ▼
 Oil-WTI (bbl)	87.28	0.26	0.30% ▼

Currencies	Value	Chg.	Chg. (%)
 USD/PKR	306.98	0.12	0.04% ▼
 EURO/PKR	329.48	0.65	0.20% ▼
 GBP/PKR	385.23	-	-
 AED/PKR	83.58	0.03	0.04% ▼

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

Market Outlook

The stock market on Wednesday remained volatile and concluded the session in the green zone amid rupee continues to make giant strides against US dollar due to sentiment. The KSE-100 index made an intra-day high and low at 45,854.18 (362.7 points) and 45,460.28 (-31.2 points) respectively while closed at 45,807.57 by gaining 316.09 points. Trading volume increased to 74mn shares as compared to 56mn shares on the previous trading day. Going forward, we expect the market to remain volatile. The index currently has a support around 45,400. Breaking this level can further drag it towards 44,800. However, the current resistance of the index resides at 46,000.

Key News

International

Asian shares fall, tracking a decline on Wall St on fears rates may stay high

Shares fell in Asia on Thursday after a decline on Wall Street, where strong economic data revived worries that the Federal Reserve might keep interest rates high for longer than investors had been hoping. Hong Kong's Hang Seng, which has bounced this week on news about Chinese policy changes for the property sector, declined on selling of tech [see more...](#)

Oil prices steady with U.S. inventory draw, China imports in focus

Oil prices steadied in early Asian trade on Thursday, sticking to 10-month peaks as signs of another draw in U.S. inventories added to expectations that global crude supplies will tighten further this year. Focus was also on Chinese trade data due later in the day, with particular interest in crude imports to the world's largest oil importer, as it grapples [see more...](#)

Politics

Official Secrets Act, Army Act challenged in SC

The development comes days after President Dr Arif Alvi stirred controversy by claiming that he had not signed the Official Secrets (Amendment) Bill and the Pakistan Army (Amendment) Bill, attributing the confusion to his staff's actions. The revelation plunged the country into a state of chaos. [see more...](#)

Economy

PM lays focus on tax reforms, sell-off process – Neutra

Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar ul Haq Kakar on Wednesday directed all relevant institutions to work together for tax reforms as increasing tax collection is the foremost priority of the government. While presiding over a high-level meeting regarding the Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) and Privatisation Division, he emphasized the need [see more...](#)

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T-bills yields jump ahead of expected interest rate hike – **Negative**

Pakistan's Treasury bills yields rose sharply on Wednesday, signalling that markets expect the central bank to raise interest rates next week to curb inflation and support the currency. The State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) sold Rs1.332 trillion worth of three- and 12-month bills at an auction, with the cut-off yields on both maturities jumping by more than two [see more...](#)

Exchange companies sector; MCR enhanced to Rs500m as SBP introduces major reforms – **Neutral**

The State Bank of Pakistan (SBP), introducing the structural reforms for the Exchange Companies, on Wednesday announced increase in the minimum capital requirement from Rs 200 million to Rs 500 million and decided that various types of existing Exchange Companies and their franchisees will be consolidated and transformed into a single category of [see more...](#)

Current Ogra pricing; Exchange rate adjustment for PSO not incorporated: OCAC – **Neutral**

The Oil Companies Advisory Council (OCAC) says that the exchange rate adjustment for Pakistan State Oil (PSO) was not incorporated in the current pricing by the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA). Sources; however, claimed that the OGRA had kept Rs4.24 and Rs2.62 per litre exchange adjustment rate for PSO on both petroleum products – petrol and high [see more...](#)

ECC okay to increase margin of OMC dealers by Rs1.64/litre – **Positive**

The Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) of the Cabinet on Wednesday decided to enhance the Petroleum dealers' margins on MS & HSD by Rs1.64 per liter in four fortnightly instalments of Rs0.41 per liter with effect from September 15, 2023, said a press release issued by the Finance Division. Moreover, the OMCs margin on MS & HSD was decided to be enhanced by [see more...](#)

Upward adjustment in energy tariffs, fuel price hike to strain inflationary pressures: MoF – **Negative**

The Finance Ministry Wednesdays said the upward adjustment in energy tariffs and further increase in fuel prices would strain the inflationary pressures in coming months. In its monthly, "Economic Update and Outlook" for August 2023 released on Wednesday, the Finance Ministry said the two massive fuel price hikes witnessed in August 2023 and upward [see more...](#)

Govt mulls IPO for three major power distribution companies – **Neutral**

Pakistan is considering selling stakes in three high performing state-owned power distribution companies through an initial public offering, officials said on Wednesday, as the country looks to resolve financial issues facing the debt-ridden sector. The South Asian nation's power sector has been plagued by high rates of power theft and distribution [see more...](#)

'Thar coal operations may come to halt next week' – **Neutral**

Payment delays to Sindh Engro Coal Mining Company (SECMC) have created hurdles in mining at Thar Coal Block II, and operations could come to a halt next week, The News learnt on Wednesday. According to sources familiar with the development, mine operations would come to a standstill within the next week as SECMC requires approximately \$10 million per month for its mine operations, which have [see more...](#)

Urea shortage looms ahead of Rabi season – **Negative**

Pakistan is facing a critical shortage of urea fertilizer that could affect wheat production and food security in the country, as natural gas supply to fertilizer plants is expected to be cut from next month, industry sources and farmers said on Wednesday. The gap between fertilizer production and consumption has widened to critical levels, raising fears of a urea shortfall of up to 500,000 [see more...](#)

TREET to venture into shaving foam market – **Positive**

Treet Corporation Limited (PSX: TREET) is pleased to announce its decision to venture into the shaving foam market, the company's filing on the local bourse revealed today. This addition comes as part of TREET's continued efforts to diversify its product range and meet the evolving needs of our consumers. The company aggressively aims to tap into the lucrative shaving foam [see more...](#)

PM Kakar approves IT policy targeting digital exports of up to \$10 bn – **Positive**

The Ministry of Information and Technology (IT) and Telecommunications on Wednesday, received the go-ahead from Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar for its new IT policy aiming to increase the country's digital export to \$10 billion According to the Caretaker Minister for IT and Telecom Dr Umar Saif, the [see more...](#)

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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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