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Economy & Politics

T-bills' yields drop by 74-148bps on rate cuts bets (Positive)

The cut-off yields on market Treasury Bills significantly fell on Wednesday on expectations that the State Bank of Pakistan would further cut interest rates in coming months amid ease in inflation pressures.

https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/1222309-t-bills-yields-drop-by-74-148bps-on-rate-cuts-bets

Talks with IMF moving in right direction: Aurangzeb (Neutral)

Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb has said that the International Monetary Fund (IMF) Executive Board is expected to approve a new programme for Pakistan in September 2024 https://www.brecorder.com/news/40318743/talks-with-imf-moving-in-right-direction-aurangzeb

PIA, Discos, Roosevelt Hotel: PC Board gives approval to appointment of Fas (Neutral)

Privatisation Commission Board on Wednesday gave unanimous approval for appointment of financial advisors for PIA, Discos, and Roosevelt Hotel in New York.

https://www.brecorder.com/news/40318741/pia-discos-roosevelt-hotel-pc-board-gives-approval-to-appointment-of-fas

SBP to replace all currency notes by year-end, says governor (Neutral)

The governor of the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP), Jameel Ahmad, has announced that all currency notes will be replaced by the end of this year.

https://tribune.com.pk/story/2489923/sbp-to-replace-all-currency-notes-by-year-end-says-governor

Tiered pricing system, Gas tariff hike spared 66pc of consumers: Musadik (Neutral)

Petroleum Minister Musadik Malik Wednesday clarified that 66 percent of gas consumers remain unaffected by tariff increases due to a tiered pricing system,

https://epaper.brecorder.com/2024/08/22/1-page/1004218-news.html

Joint venture proposed as best transaction structure for PIA's Roosevelt Hotel (Neutral)

The board of the Privatisation Commission recommended a joint venture as the most suitable transaction structure for the Roosevelt Hotel.

https://www.dawn.com/news/1853865/joint-venture-proposed-asbest-transaction-structure-for-pias-roosevelt-hotel

Thursday, 22 August 2024

PSX STATISTICS				
KSE-100 Index	Previous	Current	Change	% ∆
Close	77,745.5	78,260.9	515.34	0.66%
Volume (mn)	114.2	190.9	76.63	67.1%
Value (Rs mn)	4,029.5	6,733.4	2,703.93	67.1%

Source: PSX

International Markets			
Index	Countries	Level	% ∆
NASDAQ	USA	17,918.99	0.57%
FTSE 100	UK	8,283.43	0.12%
NIKKEI 225	Japan	37,951.80	-0.29%
Hang Seng	Hong Kong	17,391.01	-0.69%
SENSEX	India	80,905.30	0.13%

Macro Economic Data

Discount Rate	19.50%
CPI (July - 24)	11.1%
M2 (09 - Aug - FY25)	-3.09%
C/A Surplus/(Deficit) (1MFY25)	\$(0.162) billion
Trade Deficit (1MFY25)	\$(1.948) billion
Remittances (1MFY25)	\$2.995 billion
Borrowing from SBP (09 - Aug - FY25)	Rs 366.91 billion
SBP Reserves (09-Aug-24)	\$9.27 billion
Total Reserves (09-Aug-24)	\$14.65 billion

Source: PBS, SBP

Source: Investing.com

Total Leverage of Market				
MTS Rate (%)		21.37%		
MTS Amount (Rs bn)		7.38		
MFS Amount (Rs bn)		7.32		
Future Amount (Rs bn)		23.06		
Aug	22.84			
Sep	0.22			
Oct	0.00			
Total Leverage		37.76		

Source: NCCPL, PSX

Foreign/Local Investors' Participation (USDmn)				
	FY23	FY24	Jul-24	Latest
FIPI	1.53	140.77	23.84	(0.60)
Individual	83.96	(59.63)	4.77	0.35
Companies	99.68	35.65	(8.85)	0.32
Banks/DFI	73.68	(141.29)	5.21	(0.15)
NBFC	(0.10)	(0.96)	0.04	(0.00)
Mutual Fund	(144.49)	(46.92)	(15.09)	(0.14)
Other Organization	24.79	(33.15)	(3.76)	(0.60)
Broker Prop. Trading	(14.76)	(20.81)	(4.90)	(0.05)
Insurance companies	(124.31)	126.34	(1.26)	0.87
Source: NCCPL				

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Oct and Nov bills, KE allowed Rs5.76/unit positive adjustment (Positive)

NEPRA has allowed positive adjustment of Rs 5.7622 per unit in KE's tariff for the months of May and June 2024 to recover additional amount of about Rs 10 billion from consumers

https://epaper.brecorder.com/2024/08/22/1-page/1004217-news.html

Balochistan given deadline to stop fuel smuggling (Neutral)

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has asked the Balochistan government to take measures to discourage the transportation of smuggled diesel and petrol

https://www.dawn.com/news/1853869/balochistan-given-deadline-to-stop-fuel-smuggling

Threat of losing exports, FDI looms (Negative)

Pakistan is facing the threat of losing exports and foreign direct investment (FDI) because of potential failure to comply with measures required to combat climate change <a href="https://tribune.com.pk/story/2489985/threat-of-losing-exports-fdi-

Govt unveils Rs32tr borrowing plan (Neutral)

The government announced on Tuesday that it will need Rs32 trillion in loans this fiscal year, including rollovers from foreign banks and bilateral lenders.

https://tribune.com.pk/story/2489672/govt-unveils-rs32tr-borrowing-plan

International

looms

Oil settles \$1 down after US job data revised significantly lower (Neutral)

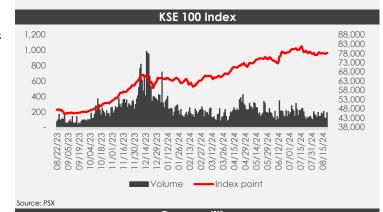
Oil prices settled down by \$1 a barrel on Wednesday after the U.S. government revised sharply lower a set of employment statistics closely watched by investors.

https://www.reuters.com/markets/commodities/oil-prices-down-swelling-us-crude-stocks-easing-middle-east-tensions-2024-08-21/

Equities Pull Back Ahead of Central Bank Events: Markets Wrap 9Neutral)

Stocks in Asia came off session highs ahead of key events from the Federal Reserve and the Bank of Japan that will help define the global rates trajectory. The dollar rebounded.

https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2024-08-21/stock-market-today-dow-s-p-live-updates



Commodifies			
	Previous	Current	% ∆
Gold (USD/oz)	2516.70	2503.15	-0.5%
Copper (USD/pound)	4.16	4.20	0.9%
Arab Light (USD/bbl)	78.20	77.94	-0.3%
WTI (USD/bbl)	73.06	71.88	-1.6%
Brent (USD/bbl)	77.11	76.11	-1.3%
Coal (USD/ton)	115.75	115.25	-0.4%
Urea (USD/ton)	337.50	335.00	-0.7%
Source: Bloomberg			

Forex Rate (Open Market)			
	Previous	Current	% ∆
US Dollar	280.2	280	-0.07%
UK Pound Sterling	362.9	363.87	0.27%
Euro	309.65	310.5	0.27%
Japanese Yen	1.92	1.93	0.52%
Saudi Riyal	74.51	74.42	-0.12%
U.A.E Dirham	76.29	76.22	-0.09%

Total Leverage vs Market Capitalization	
Total Market Capitalization (Rs bn)	10,424
Total leverage as % of Market Capitalization	0.36%
Source: PSX, NCCPL	

Board Meetings		
Symbol	Date	Account Period
RMPL	22-Aug-24	Half Year
BATA	22-Aug-24	Half Year
EFUL	22-Aug-24	Half Year
CHCC	22-Aug-24	Annual
KSBP	22-Aug-24	Half Year
HALEON	22-Aug-24	Annual
INIL	22-Aug-24	Annual
Source: PSX		

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