

# Morning Brief

## Economy & Politics

### Ex-spymaster Gen Faiz arrested, court martial process begins (Neutral)

Former Inter-Services-Intelligence (ISI) Director General Lt Gen (ret'd) Faiz Hameed has been taken into military custody and process of Field General Court Martial also initiated against him. <https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/1219464-ex-spymaster-gen-faiz-arrested-court-martial-process-begins>

### July-March: govt signs \$2.166bn loan commitments (Neutral)

The government of Pakistan signed new agreements worth \$2.166 billion as commitments in the period July-Mar 2023-24, says the Economic Affairs Division <https://epaper.brecorder.com/2024/08/13/1-page/1002890-news.html>

### FBR shares revenue collection plan with Aurangzeb (Neutral)

The Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) Monday shared a comprehensive plan with Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb on digitisation and strategy to achieve the revenue collection target of up to Rs12.970 trillion for 2024-25. <https://www.brecorder.com/news/40317269/fbr-shares-revenue-collection-plan-with-aurangzeb>

### Petrol, diesel prices likely to decrease (Neutral)

Price of petrol could decrease by over Rs9 per litre, while HSD may see reduction of up to Rs8.50 per litre <https://tribune.com.pk/story/2487446/petrol-diesel-prices-likely-to-decrease>

### Cabinet for more rationale in categorising SOEs (Neutral)

The Federal Cabinet has asked Ministries/ Divisions to further rationalise the necessity to categorise any State Owned Entity (SOE) as "Strategic" or "Essential" <https://www.brecorder.com/news/40317272/cabinet-for-more-rationale-in-categorising-soes>

### OGDCL starts commercial production of tight gas in Sindh (Positive)

The Oil and Gas Development Company Limited (OGDCL) on Monday announced the commencement of early commercial production of tight gas from Nur West Well-1. <https://epaper.brecorder.com/2024/08/13/12-page/1003028-news.html>

### Plans afoot to rationalise power tariff (Neutral)

Government is also working on closing down domestic (IPPs) belonging to government and private sectors <https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/1219477-plans-afoot-to-rationalise-power-tariff>

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### PSX STATISTICS

KSE-100 Index	Previous	Current	Change	% Δ
Close	78,569.6	77,980.3	-589.30	-0.75%
Volume (mn)	139.1	141.8	2.63	1.9%
Value (Rs mn)	9,690.2	11,177.8	1,487.51	15.4%

Source: PSX

### International Markets

Index	Countries	Level	% Δ
NASDAQ	USA	16,780.61	0.21%
FTSE 100	UK	8,210.25	0.52%
NIKKEI 225	Japan	35,025.00	0.56%
Hang Seng	Hong Kong	17,111.65	0.13%
SENSEX	India	79,648.92	-0.07%

Source: Investing.com

### Macro Economic Data

Discount Rate	19.50%
CPI (July - 24)	11.1%
M2 (26th July - FY25)	-3.87%
C/A Surplus/(Deficit) (FY24)	\$(0.681) billion
Trade Deficit (1MFY25)	\$(1.948) billion
Remittances (1MFY25)	\$2.995 billion
Borrowing from SBP (26th July - FY25)	Rs (140.82) billion
SBP Reserves (02-Aug-24)	\$9.15 billion
Total Reserves (02-Aug-24)	\$14.47 billion

Source: PBS, SBP

### Total Leverage of Market

MTS Rate (%)	21.48%
MTS Amount (Rs bn)	7.26
MFS Amount (Rs bn)	7.63
Future Amount (Rs bn)	22.50
Aug	22.38
Sep	0.12

### Total Leverage

37.38

Source: NCCPL, PSX

### Foreign/Local Investors' Participation (USDmn)

	FY23	FY24	Jul-24	Latest
FPI	1.53	140.77	23.84	0.86
Individual	83.96	(59.63)	4.77	5.58
Companies	99.68	35.65	(8.85)	(2.63)
Banks/DFI	73.68	(141.29)	5.21	(0.52)
NBFC	(0.10)	(0.96)	0.04	(0.02)
Mutual Fund	(144.49)	(46.92)	(15.09)	(0.46)
Other Organization	24.79	(33.15)	(3.76)	(0.16)
Broker Prop. Trading	(14.76)	(20.81)	(4.90)	(0.52)
Insurance companies	(124.31)	126.34	(1.26)	(2.12)

Source: NCCPL

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## MSCI shifts SAZEW to FM Index (Positive)

Global index provider Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) has transferred one stock — Sazgar Engineering Works (PSX: SAZEW) — to its Frontier Market (FM) Index as part of its latest quarterly review released on Tuesday.

<https://mettisglobal.news/msci-shifts-sazew-to-fm-index/>

## Car sales down 36% MoM in July over budgetary measures (Negative)

Car sales in Pakistan saw a significant month-on-month (MoM) drop in July 2024, plummeting by 36% to 8,589 units,

<https://www.brecorder.com/news/40317153/car-sales-down-36-mom-in-july-over-budgetary-measures>

## Millat Tractors warns of shutdown amid GST dispute and plummeting sales (Negative)

Millat Tractors Limited (MTL), Pakistan's largest tractor manufacturer, has signaled that it may have to shut down operations amid lower sales and refund delays from the Federal Board of Revenue (FBR).

<https://www.brecorder.com/news/40317131/millat-tractors-warns-of-shutdown-amid-gst-dispute-and-plummeting-sales>

## Proposal for 2-3pc sales tax on POL products to remove exemption (Neutral)

The country's oil sector has proposed that the government impose a sales tax of two to three percent on petroleum products in lieu of the current sales tax exemption.

<https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/1219325-proposal-for-2-3pc-sales-tax-on-pol-products-to-remove-exemption>

## International

### Oil prices ease as markets refocus on demand worries (Neutral)

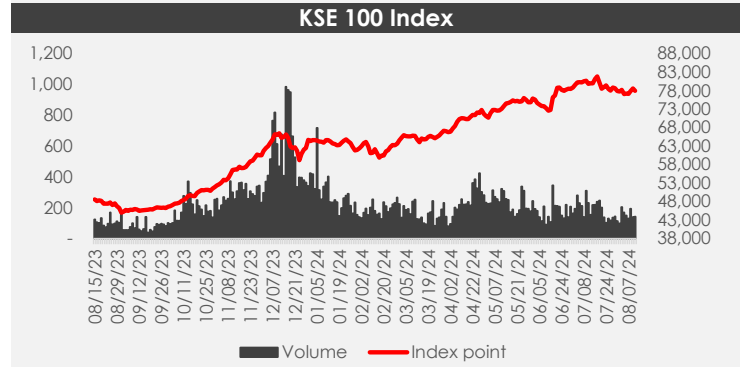
Oil prices edged lower on Tuesday, breaking a five-day streak of gains, as markets refocused on concerns about demand

<https://www.reuters.com/business/energy/oil-prices-ease-markets-refocus-demand-worries-2024-08-13/>

### Asian Stocks Recoup Losses From Last Week's Rout: Markets Wrap (Neutral)

Asian stocks rose, fully recovering their losses from last week's rout, bolstered by an advance in Japanese shares.

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2024-08-12/stock-market-today-dow-s-p-live-updates?srnd=phx-markets>



Commodities			
	Previous	Current	% Δ
Gold (USD/oz)	2,427.27	2464.19	1.5%
Copper (USD/pound)	3.98	4.04	1.5%
Arab Light (USD/bbl)	79.86	80.10	0.3%
WTI (USD/bbl)	76.98	79.50	3.3%
Brent (USD/bbl)	79.47	81.64	2.7%
Coal (USD/ton)	116.25	117.90	1.4%
Urea (USD/ton)	343.50	343.50	0.0%

Source: Bloomberg

Forex Rate (Open Market)			
	Previous	Current	% Δ
US Dollar	280.4	280.4	0.00%
UK Pound Sterling	356.78	357.07	0.08%
Euro	305.41	305.38	-0.01%
Japanese Yen	1.92	1.92	0.00%
Saudi Riyal	74.55	74.55	0.00%
U.A.E Dirham	76.35	76.35	0.00%

Source: Forex.com.pk

Total Leverage vs Market Capitalization	
Total Market Capitalization (Rs bn)	10,390
Total leverage as % of Market Capitalization	0.36%

Source: PSX, NCCPL

Board Meetings		
Symbol	Date	Account Period
MSCL	13-Aug-24	Other Matters
WAHN	13-Aug-24	Other Matters
BAPL	13-Aug-24	Annual

Source: PSX

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