# **Morning Brief**



#### **Economy & Politics**

### Govt, JI reach agreement to lower electricity prices, task force to review IPPs contracts (Neutral)

The final round of negotiations between the government and Jamaat-e-Islami (JI) concluded successfully on Thursday, with both sides signing an agreement to reduce electricity prices <a href="https://tribune.com.pk/story/2486591/govt-ji-reach-agreement-to-lower-electricity-prices-task-force-to-review-ipps-contracts">https://tribune.com.pk/story/2486591/govt-ji-reach-agreement-to-lower-electricity-prices-task-force-to-review-ipps-contracts</a>

#### Govt takes big step to deal with IPP challenge (Neutral)

The government has decided to look into the issues of Independent Power Producers (IPPs) besides taking steps to bring generation cost of electricity down.6

https://www.brecorder.com/news/40316702/govt-takes-big-step-to-deal-with-ipp-challenge

Govt to review and 'terminate contracts with 15 IPPs' (Positive)
The Pakistani government has decided to review and terminate agreements with 15 Independent Power Producers (IPPs) to provide relief to the public burdened by high electricity costs, <a href="https://tribune.com.pk/story/2486550/govt-to-review-and-terminate-contracts-with-15-ipps">https://tribune.com.pk/story/2486550/govt-to-review-and-terminate-contracts-with-15-ipps</a>

#### Govt jacks up power tariff by Rs2.56 per unit in June FCA (Negative)

Lifeline and K-Electric consumers to be exempted from recent hike in power tariff

https://www.thenews.com.pk/latest/1217854-govt-jacks-up-power-tariff-by-rs256-per-unit-in-june-fca

### SIFC hopeful of foreign investments once IMF deal is done (Neutral)

The Special Investment Facilitation Council (SIFC), jointly run by the military and civilian sides, believes that the foreign investors were waiting to make multibillion-dollar investments after clinching the IMF deal

https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/1218091-sifc-hopeful-of-foreign-investments-once-imf-deal-is-done

#### Ease of doing business, investment: PM approves reform programme (Neutral)

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif Thursday approved the launch of the largest reform programme of ease of doing business in the history to attract business and investment in Pakistan.

https://www.brecorder.com/news/40316701/ease-of-doing-business-investment-pm-approves-reform-programme.

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PSX STATISTICS				
KSE-100 Index	Previous	Current	Change	% ∆
Close	77,114.5	77,874.2	759.73	0.99%
Volume (mn)	128.8	192.8	64.04	49.7%
Value (Rs mn)	7,415.2	13,933.7	6,518.51	87.9%

Source: PSX

International Markets			
Index	Countries	Level	% ∆
NASDAQ	USA	16,660.02	2.87%
FTSE 100	UK	8,144.97	-0.27%
NIKKEI 225	Japan	34,831.15	-0.74%
Hang Seng	Hong Kong	16,891.83	0.08%
SENSEX	India	78,886.22	-0.73%

Source: Investing.com

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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 (FY24)	\$30.251 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 (%)		21.52%
MTS Amount (Rs bn)		7.21
MFS Amount (Rs bn)		7.69
Future Amount (Rs bn)		21.99
Aug	21.88	
Sep	0.10	

Foreign/Local Investors' Participation (USDmn)

**Total Leverage**Source: NCCPL, PSX

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	FY23	FY24	Jul-24	Latest
FIPI	1.53	140.77	23.84	0.22
Individual	83.96	(59.63)	4.77	2.12
Companies	99.68	35.65	(8.85)	(0.21)
Banks/DFI	73.68	(141.29)	5.21	(3.19)
NBFC	(0.10)	(0.96)	0.04	(0.04)
Mutual Fund	(144.49)	(46.92)	(15.09)	(0.43)
Other Organization	24.79	(33.15)	(3.76)	1.09
Broker Prop. Trading	(14.76)	(20.81)	(4.90)	0.10

126.34

Source: NCCPL

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#### SBP-held foreign exchange reserves increase \$51mn, now stand at \$9.15bn (Neutral)

Foreign exchange reserves held by the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) increased by \$51 million on a weekly basis, clocking in at \$9.15 billion as of August 2,

https://www.brecorder.com/news/40316569/sbp-held-foreign-exchange-reserves-increase-51mn-now-stand-at-915bn

#### Kibor hits 18-month low on rate cut hopes (Positive)

The Karachi Interbank Offered Rate (Kibor) reached an 18-month low on Thursday, as a drop in treasury bill yields raised hopes that decreasing inflation would compel the central bank to cut interest rates

https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/1217895-kibor-hits-18-month-low-on-rate-cut-hopes

### Offshore drilling for oil & gas: Govt may set up company with \$500m capital (Positive)

The federal government is making up its mind to step up its focus on offshore drilling for oil and gas exploration and to this effect, <a href="https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/1218036-offshore-drilling-for-oil-gas-govt-may-set-up-company-with-500m-capital">https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/1218036-offshore-drilling-for-oil-gas-govt-may-set-up-company-with-500m-capital</a>

### Mari Petroleum announces record Rs77bn profit, 800% bonus shares (Positive)

Mari Petroleum (MARI) has announced its highest-ever profit-aftertax (PAT) of Rs77 billion (EPS of Rs579.36) for the fiscal year 2024, marking an increase of 38%

https://profit.pakistantoday.com.pk/2024/08/08/mari-petroleum-announces-record-rs77bn-profit-800-bonus-shares/

#### International

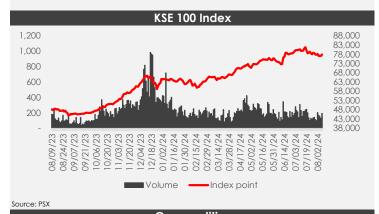
### Oil set for 3% weekly gain on rising Mideast tensions, better US outlook (Neutral)

Oil prices edged down in early Asian trading on Friday but were on track to gain more than 3% for the week as U.S. jobs data calmed demand concerns

https://www.reuters.com/markets/commodities/oil-set-3-weekly-gain-rising-mideast-tensions-better-us-outlook-2024-08-09/

#### Asian shares set to end brutal week on a high, yen under pressure (Neutral)

Asian shares are ending a rough week on a high as Japanese stocks are close to recouping all of the huge losses from Monday, https://www.reuters.com/world/china/global-markets-wrapup-1-2024-08-09/



Commodities			
	Previous	Current	% ∆
Gold (USD/oz)	2388.93	2421.56	1.4%
Copper (USD/pound)	3.96	4.03	1.7%
Arab Light (USD/bbl)	75.35	77.50	2.9%
WTI (USD/bbl)	75.53	76.36	1.1%
Brent (USD/bbl)	78.53	79.31	1.0%
Coal (USD/ton)	114.60	115.50	0.8%
Urea (USD/ton)	342.50	344.50	0.6%
Source: Bloomberg			

Forex Rate (Open Market)				
	Previous	Current	% ∆	
US Dollar	280.4	280.4	0.00%	
UK Pound Sterling	355.46	355.15	-0.09%	
Euro	305.3	305.54	0.08%	
Japanese Yen	1.92	1.93	0.52%	
Saudi Riyal	74.54	74.55	0.01%	
U.A.E Dirham	76.34	76.35	0.01%	

Total Leverage vs Market Capitalization		
	Total Market Capitalization (Rs bn)	10,403
	Total leverage as % of Market Capitalization	0.35%
	Source: PSX, NCCPL	

Board Meetings			
Symbol	Date	Account Period	
APOT	09-Aug-24	Annual	
FFBL	09-Aug-24	Other Matters	
BGL	09-Aug-24	Other Matters	
DSL	09-Aug-24	Other Matters	
TATM	09-Aug-24	Annual	

Source: PSX

Source: Forex.com.pk

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