

Morning Brief

Economy & Politics

In quest of IMF loan...: Pakistan seeks \$1bn commercial loan from foreign bank (Neutral)

Pakistan has made a formal request to the Standard Chartered Bank (SCB) to resume its commercial foreign loan of around \$800 million to \$1 billion

<https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/1227157-in-quest-of-imf-loan-pakistan-seeks-1bn-commercial-loan-form-foreign-bank>

EAD inks loan agreement with Exim Bank of South Korea (Positive)

Federal Minister for Communications Abdul Aleem Khan said that Pakistan would obtain \$20.635 billion loan as per signed agreement between the Economic Affairs Division (EAD) and the Exim Bank of South Korea.

<https://epaper.brecorder.com/2024/09/05/7-page/1006126-news.html>

Govt rightsizing: 33 SOEs to be closed in first phase (Neutral)

The federal government has decided to close 33 State Owned Entities (SOEs), abolish or declare 60 percent of vacant regulator posts;

<https://www.brecorder.com/news/40320956/govt-rightsizing-33-soes-to-be-closed-in-first-phase>

Government raises Rs835bn, exceeding T-bills auction target (Neutral)

The government on Wednesday raised Rs835 billion through the auction of treasury bills, surpassing the original target of Rs700 billion,

<https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/1227056-government-raises-rs835bn-exceeding-t-bills-auction-target>

Govt barred from setting crop prices (Neutral)

TIMF has imposed a major condition on Pakistan's federal and provincial governments, preventing them from setting agricultural support prices for all commodities.

<https://tribune.com.pk/story/2493607/govt-barred-from-setting-crop-prices>

Aurangzeb meets foreign investors (Neutral)

Finance Minister Senator Muhammad Aurangzeb met with a delegation of international investors, led by JP Morgan Pakistan CEO Amin Mohammad Khowaja, to explore fixed income investment opportunities in the country.

<https://tribune.com.pk/story/2493608/aurangzeb-meets-foreign-investors>

PIA bidding likely to conclude in a month (Neutral)

The government has imposed conditions for the potential buyer of state-owned PIA, barring the investor from reselling the company in the first three years

<https://tribune.com.pk/story/2493611/pia-bidding-likely-to-conclude-in-a-month>

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Thursday, 5 September 2024

PSX STATISTICS

KSE-100 Index	Previous	Current	Change	% Δ
Close	78,356.3	78,848.0	491.69	0.63%
Volume (mn)	99.5	146.3	46.82	47.1%
Value (Rs mn)	4,905.3	8,403.2	3,497.83	71.3%

Source: PSX

International Markets

Index	Countries	Level	% Δ
NASDAQ	USA	17,084.30	-0.30%
FTSE 100	UK	8,269.60	-0.35%
NIKKEI 225	Japan	37,047.61	-4.24%
Hang Seng	Hong Kong	17,457.34	-1.10%
SENSEX	India	82,352.64	-0.25%

Source: Investing.com

Macro Economic Data

Discount Rate	19.50%
CPI (Aug - 24)	9.6%
M2 (23 - Aug - FY25)	-3.81%
C/A Surplus/(Deficit) (1MFY25)	\$(0.162) billion
Trade Deficit (2MFY25)	\$(3.578) billion
Remittances (1MFY25)	\$2.995 billion
Borrowing from SBP (23 - Aug - FY25)	Rs (124.78) billion
SBP Reserves (23-Aug-24)	\$9.4 billion
Total Reserves (23-Aug-24)	\$14.78 billion

Source: PBS, SBP

Total Leverage of Market

MTS Rate (%)	21.60%
MTS Amount (Rs bn)	7.19
MFS Amount (Rs bn)	6.97
Future Amount (Rs bn)	22.11
Sep	22.09
Oct	0.02

Total Leverage

36.28

Source: NCCPL, PSX

Foreign/Local Investors' Participation (USDmn)

	FY23	FY24	Aug-24	Latest
FIPI	1.53	140.77	9.27	(3.16)
Individual	83.96	(59.63)	20.31	4.53
Companies	99.68	35.65	(2.72)	(0.35)
Banks/DFI	73.68	(141.29)	(7.27)	(0.55)
NBFC	(0.10)	(0.96)	(0.11)	(0.04)
Mutual Fund	(144.49)	(46.92)	(8.42)	(0.22)
Other Organization	24.79	(33.15)	(6.73)	(0.08)
Broker Prop. Trading	(14.76)	(20.81)	3.01	0.92
Insurance companies	(124.31)	126.34	(7.33)	(1.05)

Source: NCCPL

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Pakistan's circular debt rises to Rs2,897 billion (Negative)

The circular debt of the petroleum sector has risen to Rs2,897 billion, including Rs814 billion interest, the energy ministry informed the National Assembly on Wednesday.

<https://tribune.com.pk/story/2493587/pakistans-circular-debt-rises-to-rs2897-billion>

Minister promises action to address diesel crisis (Neutral)

Petroleum Minister Musadik Malik has expressed ignorance about excessive diesel imports by a few oil marketing companies (OMCs),

<https://tribune.com.pk/story/2493609/minister-promises-action-to-address-diesel-crisis>

3 Oct cargoes to be cancelled, Leading OMCs' Sept cargo deferred (Negative)

Leading importing Oil Marketing Companies' September cargo has been deferred and three cargoes in October are to be rationalised/cancelled.

<https://epaper.brecorder.com/2024/09/05/14-page/1006208-news.html>

China seeks RMB pilot project at Gwadar Free Zone (Neutral)

China has asked Pakistan to establish RMB internationalization pilot project in Gwadar Free Zone to promote trade settlement

<https://epaper.brecorder.com/2024/09/05/1-page/1006071-news.html>

Fertilizer sales plunge 30% in Aug as monsoon hits (Neutral)

Fertilizer sales plunged 29.9% compared to last year amid weak agronomic conditions coupled with higher monsoon rains during August 2024,

<https://mettisinglobal.news/fertilizer-sales-plunge-30-in-aug-as-monsoon-hits/>

International

Oil steady as investors weigh weak demand, potential delay to OPEC+ output hike (Neutral)

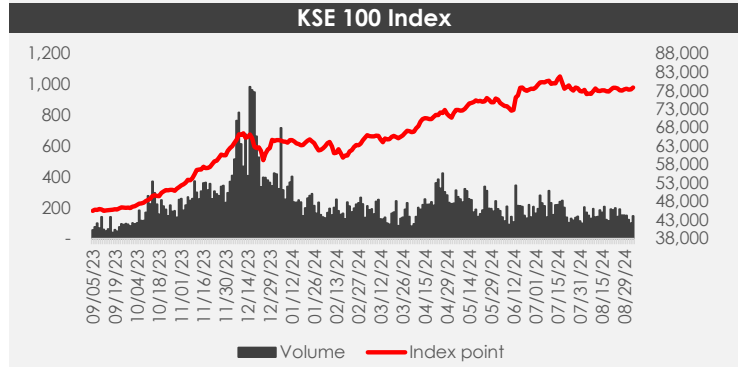
Oil was attempting to hold its line in early trade on Thursday after an overnight sell-off, as players grappled with weak demand

<https://www.reuters.com/business/energy/oil-steady-investors-weigh-weak-demand-potential-delay-opec-output-hike-2024-09-05/>

Stocks Rebound After Selloff, Yen Erases Gains: Markets Wrap (Neutral)

Asian stocks regained some ground after a global selloff as traders awaited this week's US payrolls data

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2024-09-04/stock-market-today-dow-s-p-live-updates?srnd=phx-markets>



Commodities			
	Previous	Current	% Δ
Gold (USD/oz)	2494.94	2496.77	0.1%
Copper (USD/pound)	4.10	4.09	-0.3%
Arab Light (USD/bbl)	77.94	74.51	-4.4%
WTI (USD/bbl)	69.94	69.36	-0.8%
Brent (USD/bbl)	73.40	72.86	-0.7%
Coal (USD/ton)	111.25	109.70	-1.4%
Urea (USD/ton)	332.50	338.50	1.8%

Source: Bloomberg

Forex Rate (Open Market)			
	Previous	Current	% Δ
US Dollar	280	280.25	0.09%
UK Pound Sterling	366.93	367.7	0.21%
Euro	309.1	309.87	0.25%
Japanese Yen	1.93	1.94	0.52%
Saudi Riyal	74.46	74.52	0.08%
U.A.E Dirham	76.19	76.25	0.08%

Source: Forex.com.pk

Total Leverage vs Market Capitalization	
Total Market Capitalization (Rs bn)	10,485
Total leverage as % of Market Capitalization	0.35%

Source: PSX, NCCPL

Board Meetings		
Symbol	Date	Account Period
ANSM	05-Sep-24	Annual
KOHC	05-Sep-24	Annual
MFL	05-Sep-24	Annual
AGIL	05-Sep-24	Annual
NATF	05-Sep-24	Annual

Source: PSX

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