

# Morning Brief

## Economy & Politics

### PM Shehbaz welcomes decline in inflation, upgraded credit rating (Neutral)

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Sunday expressed satisfaction over a falling rate of inflation and improvements in other economic indicators.

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1856340/pm-shehbaz-welcomes-decline-in-inflation-upgraded-credit-rating>

### Govt seeks IMF nod for power tariff cut (Neutral)

Pakistan has shared a new plan with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to reduce electricity prices by Rs6 per unit by pumping in Rs2.8 trillion

<https://tribune.com.pk/story/2492855/govt-seeks-imf-nod-for-power-tariff-cut3>

### Jul-Aug: there's Rs98bn shortfall, admits FBR (Negative)

The Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) Sunday officially admitted that tax machinery suffered a huge shortfall of Rs 98 billion in tax collection during first two months of 2024-25,

<https://www.brecorder.com/news/40320393/jul-aug-theres-rs98bn-shortfall-admits-fbr>

### PSDP projects: Ministries, Divisions asked to 'cut your coat according to cloth' (Neutral)

Ministry of Planning, Development and Special Initiatives (M/oPD&SI) has advised all Ministries/ Division to prioritise their development projects within allocations in the federal budget

<https://www.brecorder.com/news/40320394/psdp-projects-ministries-divisions-asked-to-cut-your-coat-according-to-cloth>

### Conversion of power plants to Thar coal: Govt likely to ask local banks for financing (Neutral)

The government is likely to ask local banks to finance conversion of imported coal projects to Thar coal and expansion of mines,

<https://www.brecorder.com/news/40320389/conversion-of-power-plants-to-thar-coal-govt-likely-to-ask-local-banks-for-financing>

### 4 countries 'commit' \$27bn investment in Pakistan, claims Ahsan (Neutral)

Federal Minister Ahsan Iqbal says that four countries have allocated \$27 billion for investment

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1856013/four-states-commit-27bn-investment-in-years-ahead-claims-ahsan>

### SBP seen poised for another rate cut (Positive)

Pakistan is expected to see single-digit inflation for the first time in three years in August, which may allow the central bank to cut interest rates

<https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/1225859-sbp-seen-poised-for-another-rate-cut>

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### PSX STATISTICS

KSE-100 Index	Previous	Current	Change	% Δ
Close	78,349.7	78,488.2	138.56	0.18%
Volume (mn)	151.4	148.5	-2.84	-1.9%
Value (Rs mn)	8,238.8	9,038.3	799.52	9.7%

Source: PSX

### International Markets

Index	Countries	Level	% Δ
NASDAQ	USA	17,713.62	1.13%
FTSE 100	UK	8,376.63	-0.04%
NIKKEI 225	Japan	38,647.75	0.74%
Hang Seng	Hong Kong	17,989.07	1.14%
SENSEX	India	82,365.78	0.28%

Source: Investing.com

### Macro Economic Data

Discount Rate	19.50%
CPI (July - 24)	11.1%
M2 (16 - Aug - FY25)	-3.43%
C/A Surplus/(Deficit) (1MFY25)	\$(0.162) billion
Trade Deficit (1MFY25)	\$(1.948) billion
Remittances (1MFY25)	\$2.995 billion
Borrowing from SBP (16 - Aug - FY25)	Rs 123.25 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 (%)	20.42%
MTS Amount (Rs bn)	7.15
MFS Amount (Rs bn)	7.21
Future Amount (Rs bn)	32.01
Aug	10.81
Sep	21.19
Oct	0.01
<b>Total Leverage</b>	<b>46.37</b>

Source: NCCPL, PSX

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

	FY23	FY24	Jul-24	Latest
FIPI	1.53	140.77	23.84	2.03
Individual	83.96	(59.63)	4.77	2.77
Companies	99.68	35.65	(8.85)	(0.37)
Banks/DFI	73.68	(141.29)	5.21	(2.38)
NBFC	(0.10)	(0.96)	0.04	0.01
Mutual Fund	(144.49)	(46.92)	(15.09)	0.78
Other Organization	24.79	(33.15)	(3.76)	(1.67)
Broker Prop. Trading	(14.76)	(20.81)	(4.90)	(1.10)
Insurance companies	(124.31)	126.34	(1.26)	(0.07)

Source: NCCPL

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### Govt threatens to further slash PSDP (Negative)

Federal Minister Ahsan Iqbal said that due to the worst economic situation, the government would have to further cut the Public Sector Development Programme (PSDP) 2024-25

<https://epaper.brecorder.com/2024/08/31/1-page/1005457-news.html>

### Minister says IPP deals won't be altered unilaterally (Neutral)

Minister for Power, Awais Leghari said on Friday that the government will not unilaterally alter contracts of Independent Power Producers (IPPs)

<https://epaper.brecorder.com/2024/08/31/1-page/1005454-news.html>

### China rejects concerns over CPEC-related debt (Neutral)

China said on Friday that Pakistan's debt relating to the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) formed a small percentage of the country's total public debt,

<https://tribune.com.pk/story/2492364/china-rejects-concerns-over-cpec-related-debt>

### Cabinet okays plan to revive ML-1 railway project (Neutral)

Like three previous governments, the coalition government led by the PML-N on Friday approved a revival plan for the long-awaited Main Line-1 (ML-1) railway project

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1855852/cabinet-okays-plan-to-revive-ml-1-railway-project>

### OGDCL announces significant gas discovery in Sanghar (Positive)

The Oil & Gas Development Company Limited (OGDCL) on Friday announced a significant gas condensate discovery at the Baloch-2 well,

<https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/1225458-ogdcl-announces-significant-gas-discovery-in-sanghar>

## International

### Oil Extends Drop on Signs of OPEC+ Output Boost and China Woes (Neutral)

Oil pushed lower on signs OPEC+ will progress with a plan to lift output from October, while economic headwinds mount in China.

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2024-09-01/latest-oil-market-news-and-analysis-for-sept-2?smd=phx-markets>

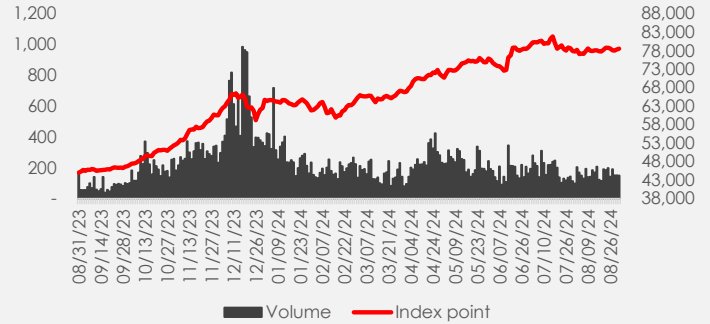
### Asian Stocks Decline as China's Economy Falter: Markets Wrap (Neutral)

Asian shares edged lower after ratcheting up four months of gains, as China's efforts to support its ailing economy

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2024-09-01/asia-eyes-cautious-open-after-china-factory-data-markets-wrap?smd=phx-markets>

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### KSE 100 Index



### Commodities

	Previous	Current	% Δ
Gold (USD/oz)	2513.19	2,503.45	-0.4%
Copper (USD/pound)	4.23	4.22	-0.3%
Arab Light (USD/bbl)	79.42	80.56	1.4%
WTI (USD/bbl)	76.03	73.65	-3.1%
Brent (USD/bbl)	78.97	76.93	-2.6%
Coal (USD/ton)	114.00	114.40	0.4%
Urea (USD/ton)	336.00	330.5	-1.6%

Source: Bloomberg

### Forex Rate (Open Market)

	Previous	Current	% Δ
US Dollar	280	279.75	-0.09%
UK Pound Sterling	368.98	367.5	-0.40%
Euro	310.67	309.04	-0.52%
Japanese Yen	1.95	1.95	0.00%
Saudi Riyal	74.42	74.36	-0.08%
U.A.E Dirham	76.22	76.16	-0.08%

Source: Forex.com.pk

### Total Leverage vs Market Capitalization

Total Market Capitalization (Rs bn)	10,485
Total leverage as % of Market Capitalization	0.44%

Source: PSX, NCCPL

### Board Meetings

Symbol	Date	Account Period
NRL	02-Sep-24	Annual
APL	02-Sep-24	Annual
ATRL	02-Sep-24	Annual
POL	02-Sep-24	Annual
ACPL	02-Sep-24	Annual
MTL	02-Sep-24	Other Matters
AIRLINK	02-Sep-24	Annual

Source: PSX

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