

### Nifty level

INDEX	PREV. CLOSING	% CHANGE	DAILY TREND
NIFTY	22055.70	+0.15%	Sideways
NIFTY FUT.	22135.45	+0.00%	
Gift Nifty	22057.00	-0.36%	
Sensex	72748.42	+0.14%	
Bank Nifty	46575.90	-0.04%	

### Outlook for the day

The market is expected to open marginally lower today amid weak trends in the GIFT Nifty and Asian markets. Asian equities slipped before a Bank of Japan policy decision where authorities are likely to bring an end to the world's last negative rates regime. US stock indices ended higher on Monday boosted by a rally in megacap technology and growth stocks ahead of the US Federal Reserve's interest rate decision later this week. Oil prices climbed about 1% to a four-month high on Monday on lower crude exports from Iraq and Saudi Arabia and signs of stronger demand and economic growth in China and the U.S. As per provisional figures, Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs)/ Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) sold shares worth net Rs.2051.09 crore and Domestic institutional investors bought shares worth net Rs.2260.88 Crore on 18th March 2024.

### International market

INDEX	CLOSING	CHANGE
	(SPOT)	(%)
<b>US MARKETS</b>		
NASDAQ COMPOSITE	16103.45	+0.82%
DOW JONES	38790.43	+0.20%
<b>US MARKETS (FUTURE)</b>		
NASDAQ 100 FUT.	18186.00	-0.25%
DOW JONES INDUS. FUT.	39206.00	-0.04%
<b>ASIAN MARKETS</b>		
HANG SENG INDEX	16652.44	-0.51%
NIKKEI 225	39596.29	-0.36%
SHANGHAI COMP. INDEX	3080.77	-0.13%

### Sector to watch today

Sectors to Outperform	Sectors to Underperform
Metal and Infra	IT and Energy

### Macro news

China industrial production grew more than expected in the January to February period, data released by the National Bureau of Statistics revealed Monday. Industrial output posted an increase of 7.0 percent in the January to February period, faster than the 6.8 percent rise in December. Output was forecast to grow moderately by 5.0 percent.

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