

COMMODITY DAILY REPORT (Metals & Energy)

18th January, 2021

INTERNATIONAL MARKETS

COMEX / NYMEX / ICE (PRECIOUS METALS AND ENERGY)

COMMODITY	CONTRACT	EXPIRY DATE	CLOSING PRICE
Silver	January	27-Jan-21	24.87
Gold	January	27-Jan-21	1829.90
Crude Oil	February	20-Jan-21	52.36
Brent Crude Oil	March	29-Jan-21	55.10
Natural Gas	January	27-Jan-21	2.74

CURRENCY / COMMODITY INDEX

CURRENCY (Spot)	CURRENT PRICE
USD / INR*	73.12
Dollar Index	90.87
EUR / USD	1.21
CRB Index	187.83

LME (BASE METALS) (\$ per tonnes)

COMMODITY	CONTRACT	CLOSING PRICE
Copper	Cash	7979.50
Aluminum	Cash	2000.50
Zinc	Cash	2698.50
Lead	Cash	1981.00
Nickel	Cash	17970.00

SHFE (BASE METALS) (Yuan per tonnes)

COMMODITY	MONTH	CLOSING PRICE
Copper	15-Jan-21	59150.00
Aluminum	15-Jan-21	14860.00
Zinc	15-Jan-21	14965.00
Lead	15-Jan-21	20570.00

DOMESTIC MARKETS

MCX / ICEX

COMMODITY	EXPIRY DATE	CLOSING PRICE	TREND**	DATE TREND CHANGED	RATE TREND CHANGED	CLOSING STOP LOSS
Bulldex	27-Jan-21	15141.00	Sideways	25.08.20	15750.00	-
Silver	5-Mar-21	64764.00	Up	18.05.20	47698.00	65000.00
Gold	5-Feb-21	48702.00	Up	08.12.20	50109.00	48500.00
Crude Oil	19-Jan-21	3825.00	Up	24.11.20	3333.00	3500.00
Natural gas	25-Jan-21	199.60	Sideways	23.12.20	191.90	-

COMMODITY	EXPIRY DATE	CLOSING PRICE	TREND**	DATE TREND CHANGED	RATE TREND CHANGED	CLOSING STOP LOSS
Copper	29-Jan-21	605.30	Up	12.10.20	525.00	570.00
Aluminum	29-Jan-21	162.20	Up	10.06.20	138.40	155.00
Zinc	29-Jan-21	213.45	Up	11.05.20	156.60	200.00
Lead	29-Jan-21	165.40	Up	28.07.20	148.05	150.00
Nickel	29-Jan-21	1312.80	Up	04.01.21	1269.30	1240.00
MetIdx	19-Jan-21	13631.00	Up	16.11.20	12939.00	13000.00

**One has to follow the trend and see the price only at closing. This is not for Intra day trading.

All closing prices as on 15.01.21

Market Update (Bullions)

Bullion counter may continue to trade with bearish bias where Gold may find support near 48400 and facing resistance near 49100 while silver may trade with higher volatility where it may find support near 64000 and facing resistance near 65200. Gold prices dropped to their lowest in 1-1/2 months on Monday, as a stronger U.S. dollar made bullion expensive for other currency holders, despite expectations of a large COVID-19 relief package in the United States. Spot gold fell 0.3% to \$1,820.46 per ounce. U.S. gold futures eased 0.7% to \$1,816.80. The U.S. dollar strengthened to its highest in four weeks against rival currencies. U.S. President-elect Joe Biden said on Friday he wants 100 million COVID-19 vaccine shots during his first 100 days in office, a day after unveiling a \$1.9 trillion stimulus package proposal to jump-start the economy. U.S. retail sales fell for a third straight month in December, while U.S. producer prices rose moderately, suggesting that an anticipated pick-up in inflation in the coming months will probably not be worrisome. China's economic recovery likely accelerated in the fourth quarter, driven by stronger demand at home and abroad and policy stimulus, which is expected to provide a solid boost into 2021. Holdings of the world's largest gold-backed exchange-traded fund, SPDR Gold Trust rose 1.4% to 1,177.63 tonnes on Friday. Speculators reduced their bullish positions in COMEX gold and silver contracts in the week ended Jan. 12, data showed on Friday. Physical gold in top consumer China was sold at a small premium for the first time since early 2020 last week, as demand picked up ahead of the Chinese new year. Silver fell 0.6% to \$24.57 an ounce.

Market Update (Base Metals)

Base metals may trade with bullish bias where Copper can move towards 610 and taking support near 602.. Shanghai base metals and their counterparts on the LME set for a mixed start on Monday morning. Booming industrial output in China, government and central bank stimulus and buying by speculators betting on price rises drove the metal used in power and construction up 26% last year. Chinese copper and iron ore imports reached a record high for the full year while aluminium exports fell. Zinc may move towards 215 and taking support near 211. Lead can move towards 167 while taking support near 164. Galvanising producers in north China suspended production earlier than in previous years due to a resurgence of COVID-19 cases. Weak consumption may weigh on zinc prices in the near term. Nickel trade with sideways to bullish bias where it may take support near 1304 and resistance near 1330. Major producer the Philippines ordered a halt on mining on an island that is home to some projects. Eramet warned that its New Caledonia subsidiary SLN, the world's fourth-largest nickel producer, was at risk of liquidation within weeks if protests continue to disrupt its operations. Aluminum may move to 164 while taking support near 161. Chinese exports of unwrought aluminium and aluminium products were 456,130 tonnes in December, highest monthly levels since March. That was also up 7.6% from 424,025.3 tonnes in November, but down 4.6% year-on-year.

Market Update (Energy)

Crude oil may trade with sideways to bearish bias where support is seen near 3740 and resistance is seen near 3830. Oil prices fell on Monday, extending losses that last week ended a rally driven by production cuts and strong Chinese demand, with the market's recovery outlook being called into question as coronavirus infections rise. U.S. drillers added further pressure by putting more oil and natural gas rigs to work for an eighth consecutive week last week because rising prices have made production more profitable. Still, the number of operating rigs is less than half of the level of a year ago. U.S. shale producers have quickly responded to market gains in recent years, winning market share as Saudi Arabia and other major producers such as Russia have cut production in an attempt to support global oil and gas prices. In China, where new COVID-19 infections have been rising, more than 28 million people are in lockdown as Beijing tries to avoid a resurgence of the coronavirus in the country where it was first discovered. Natural gas may trade with higher volatility where resistance is seen near 200 and support near 192. The weather is expected to be cooler than average on the western half of the U.S. and normal to warmer than average on the east coast of the United States.

KEY ECONOMIC RELEASES

IST	Economic releases	Importance	Expected	Previous	Impact on Commodity	Adverse/Favourable /Neutral
	No Economic releases					

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