

Indian Market View

Asian shares nudged higher on Friday as moves by the United States and China to resolve a bitter trade dispute and a sharp interest rate hike in crisis-hit Turkey supported global risk appetite. With the dollar on the back foot, prospects for U.S.-China trade talks on the horizon and action by Turkey to support its currency, it all made for a positive tone for markets Friday. Shares around the world have been buoyed by news of a possible new round of talks between Washington and Beijing, even as the trade war between the world's two largest economies looks set to escalate.

On Wall Street, the Dow Jones Industrial Average rose 0.57 percent on Thursday, the S&P 500 gained 0.53 percent and the Nasdaq Composite added 0.75 percent.

US index futures rose 0.1%, Japan's Nikkei 225 opened high and is up by 0.90%, while China A50 was up 0.29% and Hang Seng opened high and trading up 0.69%. ASX200 opened flat, trading up 0.62%, while Kospi trading up by 1.26%.

Oil prices fell more than 2 percent on Thursday, with Brent slipping back from four-month highs as investors focused on the risk that emerging market crises and trade disputes could dent demand even as supply tightens. The International Energy Agency warned that although the oil market was tightening at the moment and world oil demand would reach 100 million barrels per day (bpd) in the next three months, global economic risks were mounting. Oil prices were subdued after data suggested U.S. crude inventories might build, weighing on the market. Brent crude oil was up 0.4 percent, to settle at \$78.48 per barrel, while West Texas Intermediate crude rose 0.4 percent to \$68.88 a barrel as Hurricane Florence approached the U.S. east coast.

So far, SGX Nifty traded 0.68 percent higher at 11,489. Expect NIFTY Future to open gap up on fall in oil and dollars which will help revive sagging EM currencies including INR. It seems INR had made bottom of 73 and could gain upto 70 level if crude falls further on fear of demand destruction acting against supply outages. Expect NIFTY Futures to gain upto 11510 (R1:11515) breaching the R1:11466 on opening trade, given the positive clues, while 11598 (R3) looks distant, but possible on INR gaining ground during the day. There is news that on weekend the PM would review macro situation and take necessary measures to improve current poor conditions. This will also keep markets on highs.

Noted Corporate Development

- Sun Pharma gets U.S. FDA approval for Xelpros. The drug is used to treat ocular hypertension.
- Lupin received U.S. FDA approval for generic Atovaquone Oral Solution USP to market a generic version of GlaxoSmithKline's Mepron Oral Suspension. This drug will help in treatment of pneumonia.
- Maruti Suzuki announced that it will boost productions of Baleno cars to cut down the waiting time for its customers. The automobile company has sold over 4.5 lakh units cumulatively since its launch.
- Wipro and Anaplan announce a partnership to deliver cloud-based enterprise performance management solutions. As part of this alliance, Wipro will leverage its strong consulting and execution expertise to deploy Anaplan's Connected Planning platform across customers' business functions.
- HCL Technologies offered to buyback 3.63 crore shares (representing 2.61 percent of its equity capital) at Rs 1,100 per share. The buyback size for this offer will aggregate to Rs 4,000 crore. The offer will open on Sept. 18 and close on Oct. 3.
- Glenmark Pharma's development of immune-oncology drugs received a boost, as the U.S. based-Mitra Biotech announced its partnership with the pharma company. This will be used for translation and clinical studies of immune-oncology and bispecific antibodies.
- Adani Enterprises shrink Carmichael rail ambitions to trim coal mine costs. It will save more than A\$1 billion (\$719 million) by shortening the rail line to its planned Carmichael coal mine in Australia.
- NBCC (India) to acquire 100 percent stake in HSCC for Rs 285 crore from Government of India.
- Jain Irrigation Systems' U.S. arm acquired irrigation technology company 'ETwater'. The company said that its position in U.S. smart agriculture market will be fortified and its operations will scale up, post this acquisition.
- Zydus Cadila received a final approval from the U.S. FDA to market Risedronate Sodium Delayed-Release Tablets, 35 mg. The product will be manufactured at the group's formulations manufacturing facility at Moraiya, Ahmedabad.
- Engineers India to acquire 100 percent stake from Government of India in Projects and Development India Ltd. Details not disclosed due confidentiality of the matter.
- Voltas formed a Joint Venture with Arcelik. JV's new brand Voltas Beko plans to launch over 100 units of refrigerators, washing machines and microwaves over the next three months.
- Cabinet approved transfer of land of Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilizers to Mumbai Metropolitan Regional Development Authority and Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai; and selling of transferable development right certificate received/receivable against this transfer.

SGX Nifty: Daily and Weekly Chart



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