

Indian Market View

Asian stocks rose on Thursday as bruised investor sentiment got some relief from another robust Wall Street session thanks to upbeat corporate earnings, while the dollar hovered near a 16-month high on further signs of strength in the world's largest economy. There were tentative signs of the gloom slowly beginning to lift, led by a rebound in beaten-down U.S. shares. Wall Street rose for a second day on Wednesday as strong company results and bargain hunting of beaten-down technology and internet favorites lifted spirits.

Dow Jones was up 240 points or 0.97 percent. S&P 500 Index was up 29 points or 1.09 percent. Nasdaq Composite Index was up 144 points 2.01 percent.

Japan's Nikkei was trading down 0.45 percent. China A50 was up 1.36 percent. Hang Seng surge 470 points or 1.89 percent. ASX 200 was trading flat. Kospi was trading up 0.72 percent.

Oil prices fell early on Thursday, extending losses in previous sessions, amid signs of rising supply and growing concerns that demand might weaken on the prospect of a global economic slowdown. Thursday's drops came after U.S. Energy Information Administration data showed crude oil inventories climbed for a sixth straight week. The Brent crude January futures contract lost 44 cents, or 0.32 percent, to trade at \$74.72 per barrel. WTI crude futures fell 46 cents to \$65.01 a barrel. Both benchmarks posted their worst monthly performance since July 2016 on Wednesday, with Brent falling 8.8 percent for the month and WTI dropping 10.9 percent.

Rupee closed at 73.96/\$ on Wednesday versus 73.68/\$ On Tuesday.

So far, SGX Nifty traded at 10423 up 0.4%/45pts from last day's close. Though the outcome of IL&FS board's presentation yesterday to NCAL is known yet, but the Centre seems to have resolved to back the move for a conclusion that would soothe the market ultimately. However, timing of the resolution mechanism is key evolving factor. Easing oil prices running into a fresh month is definitely a good development for India sake, however, rising USD continues to be a worrisome affair, as it would put pressure on EM currencies including India. Corporate results are mixed with many companies showing to have protected/improved margins in a commodity inflation environment. Big PSU banks' asset quality improved, a sign that going forward if prudent banking be followed they would head for better times.

NIFTY Future Day set up: likely to trade above pivot of 10310, upto R1:10508. Downside 10200 remains key support

Noted Corporate Development

- Adani Enterprises to be in focus as it reconsiders the mine plan for its Carmichael coal project in Queensland to allow production with a much lower initial capital investment, according to Lucas Dow, CEO of the company's Australian unit
- Eicher Motors reported production loss of 25,000 units of motorcycle in September and October due to labour issues at its Chennai manufacturing facility.
- Coal India offer for sale received demand at an indicative price of Rs 266.03 per share with non-retail category receiving a 106 percent demand bid at 15.84 crore shares versus 14.9 crore shares offered. Company said that government will exercise over-subscription option up to 6 percent in addition to the base offer.
- ONGC clarified that it has terminated oil rig contract with Mercator on Oct. 10 and had invoked performance bank guarantee submitted by the consortium which was led by Mercator, who in return had filed arbitration petitions on Sept. 26 and Oct. 16. Pursuant to the termination of contract ONGC is working on alternate ways for completion of the balance work of the project.
- Fortis Healthcare: The Competition Commission of India approved acquisition of the company and Fortis Malar Hospital by Northen TK Venture.
- Religare filed an application in Delhi High Court for stay of redemption 15 lakh non-convertible preference share due on Oct. 31 in the matter of Daiichi Sankyo Company. The total redemption amount stands at Rs 42 crore.
- Bosch India said it was considering a share-buyback proposal for Nov. 5.
- Shriram EPC bagged order worth Rs 236 crore from Drinking Water and Sanitization Department of Jharkhand Government.
- Lemon Tree Hotels signs license agreement for 27 room city hotel in Bhutan. The hotel is expected to be operational by March next year.



SGX Nifty: Daily and Weekly Chart





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