

Market Summary						
Index Level (% Change)	2-Mar	1d Δ	1m Δ	3m Δ	6m Δ	12m Δ
KSE 30	15,313	1.1%	0.5%	-1.8%	-3.9%	-11.8%
KSE 100	40,671	0.6%	-0.2%	-3.5%	-3.9%	-8.6%
KSE All Share	26,707	0.3%	-1.6%	-6.3%	-8.0%	-13.1%

Equities	Avg. Volume(mn shares)			Avg. Mkt Cap (\$ mn)		
	1d	1m Avg.	6m Avg.	1d	1m Avg.	6m Avg.
KSE 30	69	69	60	3,604	5,597	4,407
KSE 100	88	104	92	5,390	6,849	5,376
KSE All Share	152	179	197	22,018	7,630	6,551

Portfolio inv (USD mn)						
	2-Mar	1m	3m	6m	12m	CYTD
FIPI Net	(1.94)	5.96	(20.40)	(20.40)	(35.42)	15.79
UPI Net	1.94	(5.96)	20.40	20.40	35.42	(15.79)
Ind.	(5.53)	(7.09)	4.08	4.08	135.04	10.00
Banks/DFIs	(0.65)	21.71	41.46	41.46	104.41	6.30
Co's	0.83	0.66	51.25	51.25	89.72	27.58
M.Funds	(0.70)	(0.01)	(0.39)	(0.39)	(102.33)	(40.43)
Brokers	(0.32)	(18.45)	(52.16)	(52.16)	(65.16)	0.60
Others	(0.66)	0.12	7.13	7.13	35.86	4.39
Ins.	8.97	(3.46)	(3.80)	(3.80)	(116.44)	(23.84)
NBFC	(0.00)	0.56	(27.16)	(27.16)	(45.68)	0.10

Sector wise (USD mn)	FIPI	Ind.	Banks	M.Funds	Ins.	Other
Gross Buy	10.73	17.17	1.39	2.61	10.06	8.62
Gross Sell	(12.77)	(22.70)	(2.05)	(3.31)	(1.09)	(8.76)
All other Sectors	(0.08)	(2.60)	0.30	0.04	0.65	1.69
Cement	(0.35)	0.20	0.22	(0.55)	0.39	0.08
Commercial Banks	(1.04)	(0.01)	(0.16)	0.04	1.58	(0.41)
Fertilizer	(0.26)	(0.99)	(0.55)	(0.24)	2.41	(0.37)
Food and Personal Care	(0.08)	(0.03)	0.00	0.01	0.09	0.01
E&P Companies	(0.15)	(1.39)	(0.72)	0.19	2.97	(0.91)
OMC	0.06	(0.08)	0.07	(0.04)	0.04	(0.06)
Power Generation	0.03	(0.56)	0.08	(0.12)	0.81	(0.24)
Technology and Comm.	0.01	(0.09)	0.11	(0.02)	0.02	(0.04)
Textile Composite	(0.08)	0.01	0.00	(0.02)	0.01	0.08
Total	(1.94)	(5.53)	(0.65)	(0.70)	8.97	(0.15)

Commodities			
Commodity	Exchange	Last Price	1d Δ
WTI (bbl)	Nymex	77.9	0.3%
Brent (bbl)	ICEEC	84.5	0.0%
Arab Light (bbl)	Opec Basket	83.8	0.3%
Ethanol	CBOT	2.2	0.0%
Polypropylene	Nymex	0.6	0.0%
DAP (m.tons)	Chinese Spot	3,980.0	0.0%
Urea (m.tons)	Chinese Spot	2,830.6	0.0%
Cotton (37.32 Kg)	Ex-Gin Price	20,235.0	0.0%
Gold	Spot	1,836.8	0.0%
Silver	Spot	20.9	-0.5%
Copper	COMEX	4.1	-2.0%
Iron ore	DCE	958.5	1.4%
Rubber	MCX	16,250.0	0.0%

Foreign Exchange				
	Current	Previous	Change	1d Δ
PKR/USD	285.09	266.11	19.0	7.1%
PKR/GBP	341.27	321.53	19.7	6.1%
PKR/EUR	303.11	283.09	20.0	7.1%
PKR/JPY	2.09	1.96	0.1	6.6%
PKR/AUD	191.85	180.01	11.8	6.6%
PKR/CAD	209.18	195.61	13.6	6.9%
PKR/AED	77.62	72.45	5.2	7.1%

Important Board Meetings					
Company	Date	Time	Company	Date	Time
JS Bank Ltd.	3-Mar-23	10:00 AM	Gulshan Spinning Mills	3-Mar-23	4:15 PM
Dandot Cement Co.	3-Mar-23	3:30 PM	Gulistan Textile Mills	3-Mar-23	4:30 PM
Paramount Spinning Mills	3-Mar-23	4:00 PM	Bank Of Khyber Ltd.	7-Mar-23	11:00 AM

Regional markets				
	Close	Previous	Change	1d Δ
SHCOMP- Shanghai	3,311	3,312	(1.7)	-0.1%
SENSEX- India	58,909	59,411	(501.7)	-0.8%
NIKKEI 225 - Japan	27,861	27,517	344.0	1.3%
UKX- FTSE 100 Index	7,944	7,915	29.1	0.4%
Heng Seng - HK	20,429	20,620	(190.3)	-0.9%
KLCI - Malaysia	1,454	1,450	3.9	0.3%
CCMP - NASDAQ	11,463	11,379	83.5	0.7%
S&P 500 Index	3,981	3,951	30.0	0.8%

Last day closing.
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International

Asia Stocks Advance After Strong Wall Street Moves: Markets Wrap (Bloomberg): Asian shares were on course to snap a four-week losing streak Friday as dovish comments from a Federal Reserve policy maker supported appetite for risk taking.

Oil Racks Up Weekly Gain as Investors Warm to China's Recovery (Bloomberg): Oil headed for a weekly advance as optimism over China's recovery offset persistent concerns on tighter US monetary policy. West Texas Intermediate traded slightly weaker near \$78 a barrel but is more than 2% higher this week after a three-day run of gains.

Political

West behind Pakistan's economic crisis: China (The News): A Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson on Thursday said that the financial policies of certain developed countries were the main reason behind the financial difficulties of a large number of developing countries, including Pakistan, and called for concerted efforts of all parties to play a constructive role in the economic and social development of Pakistan.

Economy

Pakistan, IMF rule out possibility of ending programme at this stage (The News): Amid a massive fall in the exchange rate, imposition of a power surcharge and hike in the policy rate by 300 basis points in a day, all eyes are now set on striking the staff-level agreement with the IMF for avoiding default. The Fund and the high-ups in Pakistan are busy giving the final touches to the draft of the Memorandum of Economic and Financial Policies (MEFP) for accomplishing the much-awaited 9th Review and release of the \$1 billion tranche under the \$6.5 billion Extended Fund Facility (EFF).

Markets Brace for Pakistan Default Risk as \$7 Billion Debt Looms (Bloomberg): Bondholders are bracing for a potential default by Pakistan as the beleaguered nation struggles to meet billions of dollars in debt repayments by June. The nation's dollar bonds due next year slid to the lowest since November on Thursday as investors weighed its ability to honor \$7 billion of repayments in the coming months, including a Chinese loan of \$2 billion due in March, according to Fitch Ratings. The rupee slumped 6.7% to 285.09 per dollar at close, according to State Bank of Pakistan.

SBP forex reserves rise to \$3.81 billion (The News): Pakistan's foreign exchange reserves held by the central bank increased by \$556 million to \$3.81 billion in the week ending February 24, the State Bank of Pakistan said on Thursday. The country has \$9.26 billion in reserves in total, including \$5.45 billion held by the commercial banks.

Rupee logs worst day in more than a month (The News): The currency ended at a record low of 285.09 to a dollar, 6.66% or 19 rupees lower from its previous close of 266.11 in the interbank market, according to the data from the State Bank of Pakistan. The unit's fall is the largest single-day decline since January 26 when it lost 9.6 percent of its value after the government loosened exchange rate controls in an effort to revive the \$6.5 billion IMF bailout. In the open market, the unit slipped 14 rupees to finish at 288 per dollar, tracking a dip in the value of the rupee in the interbank market.

SBP jacks up key policy rate by 300 basis points (ET): Fulfilling another condition of the IMF for the revival of the loan programme, Pakistan's central bank jacked up its key policy rate by 300 basis points to a 26-year high at 20% at a preponed meeting on Thursday. The committee expects inflation to rise further in the next few months as the impact of these adjustments unfolds before inflation begins to decrease, albeit at a gradual pace. "The average inflation this year is now expected in the range of 27 to 29 per cent against the November 2022 projection of 21 to 23 per cent." In this context, the MPC emphasised that anchoring inflation expectations is critical and warrants a strong policy response. On the external side, the MPC noted that despite a substantial reduction in the current account deficit (CAD), vulnerabilities continue to persist. In January 2023, the CAD fell to \$242 million, the lowest level since March 2021.

Overnight Reverse Repo (Ceiling) rate fixed at 21pc (BR): As the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) has decided to increase "Policy Rate" (Target Rate) from 17 percent to 20 percent, the SBP Overnight Reverse Repo (Ceiling) rate will be at 21.00 percent i.e. 100 bps above the SBP Policy Rate. The SBP Overnight Repo (Floor) rate will be at 19 percent i.e. 100 bps below the SBP Policy Rate. Accordingly, the Floor and Ceiling levels for the Interest Rate Corridor are 19 percent and 21 percent p.a. respectively (i.e. width of 200bps).



Jul-Jan: \$6.134bn borrowed from multiple sources (BR): The government has borrowed \$6.134 billion from multiple financing sources including \$1.166 billion from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) during the first seven months (July-January) of 2022-23 compared to \$12.022 billion borrowed during the same period of last fiscal year.

Money supply reaches to Rs30.68tr in 7MFY23 (Metis): The total money supply circulating within the economy during the seventh month of FY23 has been recorded at around Rs30.68 trillion, according to provisional accounts on Monetary Aggregates for the month, maintained by the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP).

Company & Sector

SSGC, SNGPL seek gas price hike to meet revenue shortfall (The News): The Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC) and Sui Northern Gas Private Limited (SNGPL) have sought an increase in gas prices of up to Rs730 per Million British Thermal Unit (MMBTU) from the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) to meet revenue shortfalls of next FY2023.

Nepra links transfer of Rs128b to power consumers with legal opinion (Nation): The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) on Thursday linked the transfer of Rs 128bn to power consumers on account of additional surcharge and staggered FCAs with legal opinion, saying the regulator is neither accepting nor rejecting the government motions till it is furnished. NEPRA held a public hearing on the government's petitions to allow the imposition of Rs3.39 per unit additional surcharge and transfer of upto Rs 14.23/unit staggered FCAs to power consumers.

Electric vehicles' import in jeopardy over LC issues: envoy (The News): Import of EU-origin electric vehicles is in jeopardy as the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) is declining to open letters of credit (LCs) through commercial banks, stated a letter of German ambassador Alfred Grannas to the federal minister for Economic Affairs of Division (EAD).

Steel industry faces raw material shortages (The News): Steel industry is in the midst of an unprecedented crisis, with many large producers struggling to stay afloat as costs continue to mount, an industry statement said on Thursday. The announced increase in the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) will increase costs by at least 6,000 rupees/ton, making it impossible for many businesses to operate.

Supernet Infrastructure submits PAI to acquire HCL (Metis): Supernet Infrastructure Solutions Private Limited, a subsidiary of Supernet Limited (GEMSPNL) has submitted a Public Announcement of Intention (PAI), expressing its intention to acquire Hallmark Company Limited (HCL), the company's filing on PSX said. The acquisition is aimed at expanding Supernet's business operations and strengthening its position in the telecommunications and information technology industry in Pakistan.