EVENING ROUNDUP

A Daily Evening Report on Bullion, Base Metals and Energy Commodities

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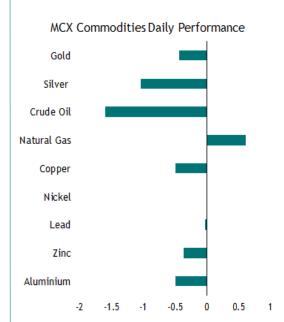


- Gold prices eased moderately as investors cautiously await the FOMC minutes scheduled tonight and the major U.S. employment data later this week for more clarity on the Fed's monetary policy outlook. The market has broadly conceived the idea that the central bank will start cutting the interest rates this year.
- Crude oil prices slipped as supply worries due to Red Sea attacks eased after most of the transits continue to reroute to avoid conflicted areas.
- Saudi Arabia may slash price premiums on all crude grades it sells to Asia in February to one-year-lows despite the escalation of tensions in the Red Sea, as concerns intensify that supply may outpace demand.
- Nigeria's upstream crude oil regulator announced an annual oil and condensates production target of 2.6 million barrels per day by 2026, an ambitious jump from 2023 levels of around 1.6 million bpd.
- Russian crude oil product exports from the Black Sea port of Tuapse in January are reportedly set to fall by 26.1% month on month to 1.086 million metric tons from 1.469 million metric tons scheduled for December.
- NYMEX natural gas futures recorded their biggest percentage fall in 2023 after the fall in 2006 as the prices were under pressure from record production, ample inventories in storage and relatively mild weather conditions. Meanwhile, the prices expected to receive support this month on heating demand as the winter peeks in January.
- Natural gas supplies to Europe by Russian energy giant Gazprom were down 55.6% to 28.3 billion cubic meters in 2023. The calculations, based on data from the European gas transmission group Entsog and Gazprom's daily reports on gas transit via Ukraine, showed that average daily pipeline exports of Russian gas to Europe declined to 77.6 million cubic meters in 2023 from 174.8 mcm in 2022.

Events In Focus	Priority	
US ISM Manufacturing PMI @ 8:30pm	High	
US FOMC Meeting Minutes @ 12:30am (Midnight)	Very High	

International Commodity Prices

Commodity	Rate	%.Chg.	
Gold Spot (\$/oz)	2052.8	-0.3	
Silver Spot (\$/oz)	23.3863 -1.09		
NYMEX Crude (\$/bbl)	70.05	-0.47	
NYMEX NG (\$/mmBtu)	2.55	-0.7	
SHFE Copper (CNY/T)	68680	-0.35	
SHFE Nickel (CNY/T)	127690	0.77	
SHFE Lead (CNY/T)	15950	0.06	
SHFE Zinc (CNY/T)	21695	0.77	
SHFE Aluminium (CNY/T)	19510	-0.38	



Global Commodities in MCX

Commodity	Last	%.Chg.	
Gold (Rs/10grams)	62979	-0.44	
Silver (Rs/1kilogram)	73318	-1.05	
Crude Oil (Rs/barrel)	5855	-1.48	
Natural Gas (Rs/mmBtu)	213.7	0.56	
Copper (Rs/Kilogram)	726.2	-0.5	
Nickel (Rs/Kilogram)	0	0	
Lead (Rs/Kilogram)	182.55	-0.03	
Zinc (Rs/Kilogram)	229.7	-0.37	
Aluminium (Rs/Kilogram)	207.25	-0.48	

*Prices of most active Commodity futures contracts



BULLION

Gold Mini MCX Feb		
Technical Levels		
R 3	64990	
R 2	64290/64640	
R 1	63760	
Turnaround	62830	
S 1	62680/62360	
S 2	62040/61700	
S 3	61470	



Technical View



A sturdy rebound above 63760 can strengthen the prices, while a fall below 62830 may induce weakness as well.

Silver Mini MCX Feb			
Technical Levels			
R 3	75630/76100		
R 2	74700/75080		
R 1	75080		
Turnaround	74140		
S 1	72870/72370		
S 2	71730/71400		
S 3	71000		



Technical View



MACD Bearish divergence suggest possibility of weakness. However, a voluminous surge above 74140 can strengthen the prices as well.



ENERGY

Crude Oil MCX Jan **Technical Levels** 6350 **R** 3 R 2 6170/6220 R 1 5960/6020 **Turnaround** 5900 S 1 5780 S 2 5630/5520 S 3 5430

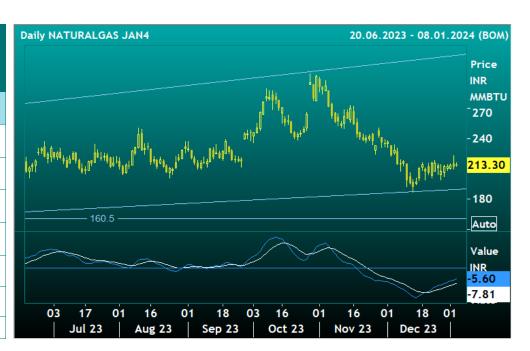


Technical View



Mild weak bias may linger in the counter. Rebound can sustain only with sturdy gains above 5900 region.

Natural Gas MCX Jan **Technical Levels R** 3 249 **R 2** 233/238 R 1 225 **Turnaround** 208 S 1 198/192 S 2 186.90 S 3 178



Technical View



MACD Bullish divergence suggest mild positivity. However, a corrective dip below 208 region can induce weakness.

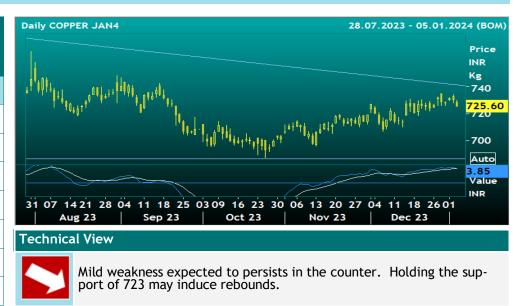


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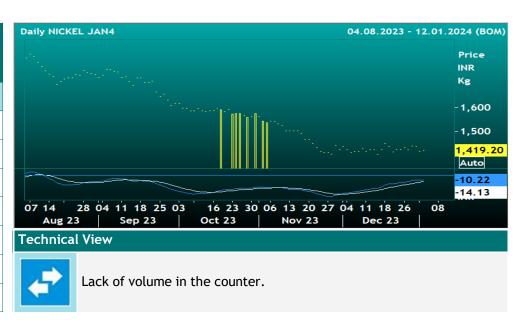
BASE METALS

Copper MCX Jan Technical Levels R 3 751 R 2 741/747 R 1 735 Turnaround 727 S 1 723 S 2 719

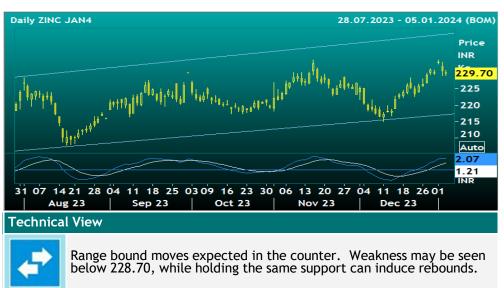
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Nickel MCX Jan **Technical Levels R** 3 1800 R 2 1640 R 1 1510 **Turnaround** 1460 S 1 1380 S 2 1300 S 3 1200



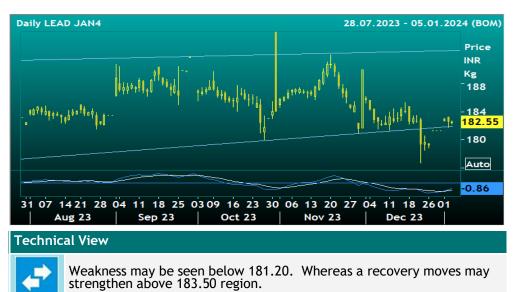
Zinc MCX Jan		
Technical Levels		
R 3	242.30	
R 2	237.30/239.80	
R 1	234.80	
Turnaround	230.50	
S 1	228.70/226.20	
S 2	224.40/222.60	
S 3	220.80	



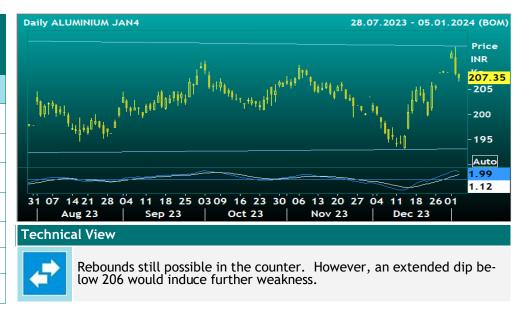


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Lead MCX Jan **Technical Levels R** 3 187.30 R 2 185/185.90 R 1 184.30 **Turnaround** 183.50 S 1 181.20 S 2 180.10 S 3 178.80



Aluminium MCX Jan **Technical Levels R** 3 215.10 R 2 213.30 R 1 210.50 **Turnaround** 209 **S** 1 206 S 2 205.30 S 3 203





Bullish Sentiments



Neutral/Sideways



Bearish Sentiments



Mild Bullish Sentiments



Mild Bearish Sentiments

S1/S2/S3 -Support level - Price points where buying pressure thought to be strong enough to counter selling pressure.

R1/R2/R3 -Resistance level - - Price points where selling pressure thought to be strong enough to counter buying pressure.



ECONOMIC CALENDAR

Time	Country	Importance	Data/Events	Actual	Forecast	Previous
Monday, 01 Jan						
			New Year's Day			
			Tuesday, 02 Jan			
07:15	China	High	Caixin Manufacturing PMI Final	50.8	50.4	50.7
			Wednesday, 03 Jan			
20:30	United States	High	ISM Manufacturing PMI		47.1	46.7
			Thursday, 04 Jan			
00:30	United States	Very High	FOMC Minutes			
18:45	United States	High	ADP National Employment		113k	103k
19:00	United States	High	Initial Jobless Cailm		215k	218k
19:00	United States	High	Continuing Jobless Claim		1.882M	1.875M
21:00	United States	Very High	EIA-Natural Gas Chg Bcf			-87B
21:30	United States	Very High	EIA Weekly Crude Stock			-7.114M
21:30	United States	Very High	EIA Weekly Distillate Stock			0.741M
21:30	United States	Very High	EIA Weekly Gasoline Stock			-0.669M
			Friday, 05 Jan			
15:30	Euro Zone	Moderate	CPI NSA			123.86
15:30	Euro Zone	Moderate	Producer Prices MM		-0.1%	0.2%
15:30	Euro Zone	Moderate	Producer Prices YY		-8.7%	-9.4%
19:00	United States	Very High	Non-Farm Payrolls		163k	199k
19:00	United States	Very High	Unemployment Rate		3.8%	3.7%
20:30	United States	Moderate	Durable Goods, R MM			5.4%
20:30	United States	Moderate	Factory Orders MM		2.3%	-3.6%
20:30	United States	Moderate	ISM Non-Manufacturing PMI		52.6	52.7





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