EVENING ROUNDUP

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

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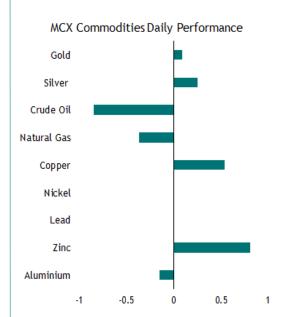


- The gold spot pared some losses from previous session but still remained on track of a second straight weekly fall as investors assessed statements from two U.S. Federal Reserve officials concerning the unexpectedly high January inflation. This surge in inflation has tempered expectations for prompt and more deeper interest rate cuts this year, especially considering that U.S. inflation exceeded expectations, growing at a faster-than-anticipated rate of 3.1% in January, still surpassing the Fed's 2% objective.
- The International Energy Agency (IEA) said that the global crude oil demand growth is losing momentum. The demand growth is set to decelerate to 1.22 million barrels per day in 2024, about half of the growth seen last year, in part due to a sharp slowdown in Chinese consumption. It had previously forecast 2024 demand growth of 1.24 million bpd.
- On the supply side, IEA raised its projection for 2024, estimating supply will grow by 1.7 million bpd, driven by non-OPEC+ supply, versus its previous forecast of 1.5 million bpd.
- NYMEX natural gas futures further extended the drop to a fresh 3-1/2-year low near-record output and a smaller-than-expected storage withdrawal last week when warm weather kept heating demand low.
- Global miner Anglo American reported a 24% rise in copper production last year to 826,000 metric tonnes, lower than a previous forecast range of 830,000-870,000 tonnes. The company left its 2024 copper output guidance at 730,000-790,000 tonnes.
- Chinese nickel giant Tsingshan Group's nickel output rose 27% in 2023 to a record 1.12 million metric tonnes nickel unit. The higher output contributed to the world's growing supplies, pressuring prices of the metal used in stainless steel and battery making.

| Events In Focus | Priority | |
|---|----------|--|
| US Building Permits & Housing Starts @ 7:00pm | High | |
| China observe Golden Week Holidays | | |

International Commodity Prices

| Commodity | Rate | %.Chg. | |
|------------------------|-----------|--------|--|
| Gold Spot (\$/oz) | 2005.5305 | 0.07 | |
| Silver Spot (\$/oz) | 22.9975 | 0.42 | |
| NYMEX Crude (\$/bbl) | 77.35 | -0.87 | |
| NYMEX NG (\$/mmBtu) | 1.586 | 0.32 | |
| SHFE Copper (CNY/T) | 0 | 0 | |
| SHFE Nickel (CNY/T) | 0 | 0 | |
| SHFE Lead (CNY/T) | 0 | 0 | |
| SHFE Zinc (CNY/T) | 0 | 0 | |
| SHFE Aluminium (CNY/T) | 0 | 0 | |



Global Commodities in MCX

| Commodity | Last | %.Chg. |
|-------------------------|--------|----------|
| Colliniodity | Last | ∕₀.Clig. |
| Gold (Rs/10grams) | 61678 | 0.09 |
| Silver (Rs/1kilogram) | 71300 | 0.25 |
| Crude Oil (Rs/barrel) | 6428 | -0.85 |
| Natural Gas (Rs/mmBtu) | 133.1 | -0.37 |
| Copper (Rs/Kilogram) | 718.5 | 0.52 |
| Nickel (Rs/Kilogram) | 0 | 0 |
| Lead (Rs/Kilogram) | 178.55 | 0.00 |
| Zinc (Rs/Kilogram) | 212.55 | 0.81 |
| Aluminium (Rs/Kilogram) | 199.75 | -0.15 |

^{*}Prices of most active Commodity futures contracts



BULLION

| Gold Mini MCX Mar | | | |
|----------------------|-------|--|--|
| Technical Levels | | | |
| R 3 | 63470 | | |
| R 2 | 62680 | | |
| R 1 | 62000 | | |
| Turnaround | 61500 | | |
| S 1 | 60710 | | |
| S 2 | 60190 | | |
| S 3 | 59480 | | |



Technical View



Bearish Divergence in MACD lines suggest weakness to continue in the counter. Any rebound could sustain only above 61500 region.

Silver Mini MCX Feb **Technical Levels** R 3 72610 **R 2** 72100 71600 R 1 70860 **Turnaround** 70480 S 1 70030 S 2 S 3 69000



Technical View



Prices may appear firmer above 71600 region. Whereas, fall below the support of 70860 may induce mild weakness.



ENERGY

Crude Oil MCX Mar Technical Levels 6870 **R** 3 R 2 6730/6800 R 1 6520/6630 **Turnaround** 6470 S 1 6320/6270 S 2 6180 S 3 6050



Technical View



Prices may appear firmer above 6470 region. Whereas, a dip below 6320 weaken prices as well.

Natural Gas MCX Feb **Technical Levels R** 3 168 R 2 154 R 1 145 Turnaround 139 S 1 130 S 2 125 S 3 118



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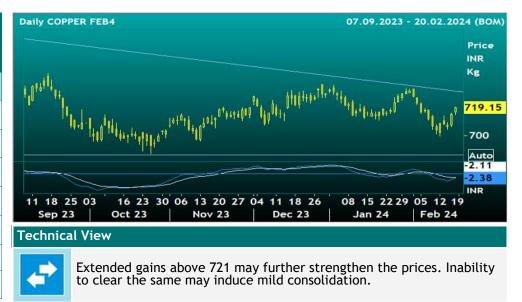


MACD Bearish divergence suggest weakness may continue further. Holding any of the support may induce mild rebounds.

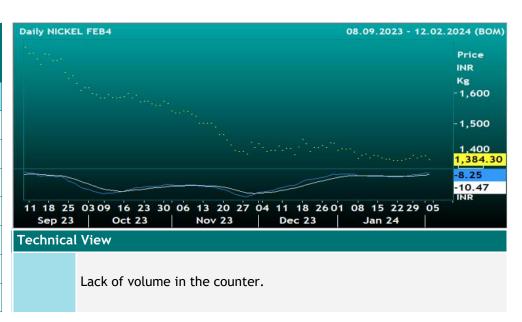


BASE METALS

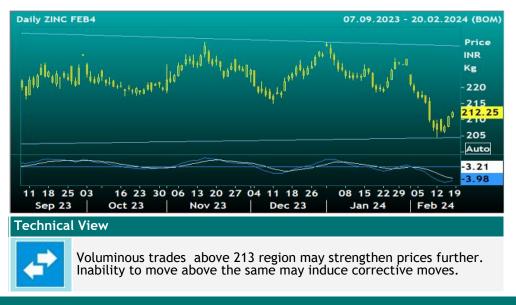
Copper MCX Feb **Technical Levels** 735 **R** 3 R 2 726/730 R 1 721 714 Turnaround S 1 710/703 S 2 699 S 3 695



| Nickel MCX Feb | | |
|-------------------|------|--|
| Technical Levels | | |
| R 3 | 1800 | |
| R 2 | 1640 | |
| R 1 | 1510 | |
| Turnaround | 1460 | |
| S 1 | 1380 | |
| S 2 | 1300 | |
| S 3 | 1200 | |



| Zinc MCX Feb | | | |
|------------------|--------|--|--|
| Technical Levels | | | |
| R 3 | 222 | | |
| R 2 | 218.30 | | |
| R 1 | 214.80 | | |
| Turnaround | 213 | | |
| S 1 | 210.50 | | |
| S 2 | 207.80 | | |
| S 3 | 205.80 | | |





BASE METALS

Lead MCX Feb **Technical Levels** 183.30 **R** 3 R 2 181.20 R 1 179,10 177,50 Turnaround S 1 176 S 2 174.40 S 3 173.70



Aluminium MCX Feb **Technical Levels R** 3 206.50 **R 2** 204.80 R 1 203.60 **Turnaround** 202.60 S 1 199 S 2 198/197.20 S 3 196.70





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, 12 Feb | | | | | | |
| | China | | Spring Festival Golden Week Holiday | | | |
| 17:30 | India | Moderate | CPI Inflation YY | 5.10% | 5.09% | 5.69% |
| 17:30 | India | Moderate | Industrial Output YY | 3.8% | 2.4% | 2.4% |
| | | | Tuesday, 13 Feb | | | |
| | China | | Spring Festival Golden Week Holiday | | | |
| | | High | OPEC Monthly Report | | | |
| 19:00 | United States | High | Core CPI MM, SA | 0.4% | 0.3% | 0.3% |
| 19:00 | United States | High | Core CPI YY, NSA | 3.9% | 3.8% | 3.9% |
| 19:00 | United States | Very High | CPI MM, SA | 0.3% | 0.2% | 0.3% |
| 19:00 | United States | Very High | CPI YY, NSA | 3.1% | 3.0% | 3.4% |
| | Wednesday, 14 Feb | | | | | |
| | China | | Spring Festival Golden Week Holiday | | | |
| 15:30 | Euro Zone | Moderate | GDP Flash Estimate QQ | | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| 15:30 | Euro Zone | Moderate | Industrial Production MM | | -0.2% | -0.3% |
| 21:00 | United States | Very High | EIA Weekly Crude Stock | | 2.560M | 5.521M |
| 21:00 | United States | Very High | EIA Weekly Distillate Stock | | -1.600M | -3.220M |
| 21:00 | United States | Very High | EIA Weekly Gasoline Stock | | -1.160M | -3.145M |
| | | | Thursday, 15 Feb | | | |
| | China | | Spring Festival Golden Week Holiday | | | |
| 19:00 | United States | Moderate | Retail Sales MM | | -0.1% | 0.6% |
| 19:00 | United States | Moderate | Retail Sales YoY | | | 5.59% |
| 19:00 | United States | High | Initial Jobless Claim | | 220k | 218k |
| 19:00 | United States | High | Continuing Jobless Claim | | 1.878M | 1.871M |
| 19:45 | United States | Moderate | Industrial Production MM | | 0.3% | 0.1% |
| 19:45 | United States | Moderate | Industrial Production YoY | | | 0.98% |
| 21:00 | United States | Very High | EIA-Natural Gas Chg Bcf | | | -75B |
| | | | Friday, 16 Feb | | | |
| | China | | Spring Festival Golden Week Holiday | | | |
| 19:00 | United States | High | Building Permits: Number | | 1.515M | 1.493M |
| 19:00 | United States | Moderate | Build Permits: Change MM | | | 1.8% |
| 19:00 | United States | High | Housing Starts Number | | 1.470M | 1.460M |
| 19:00 | United States | Moderate | House Starts MM: Change | | | -4.3% |
| 19:00 | United States | Moderate | PPI Final Demand YY | | 0.7% | 1.0% |
| 19:00 | United States | Moderate | PPI Final Demand MM | | 0.1% | -0.1% |





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