

# EVENING ROUNDUP

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

Thursday, February 8, 2024



- Gold spot eased today with moderate moves as investors maintained a cautious stance due to the lack of clarity over Federal Reserve's monetary policy path. Earlier remarks from Fed has dismissed the chances of rate cut in March, but as of now it appears to be unclear whether the rate cut is possible in May. At the same time, the lingering tensions in Middle East checked the bullion from a major correction as Israel rejected a ceasefire offer from Hamas amid continuous talks to end the Gaza conflict.
- China's consumer prices fell by 0.8% yoy in January which is the steepest pace in more than 14 years. The producer prices slid 2.5% yoy.
- Israel turned down Hamas' offer of a truce, which might prolong supply concerns in crude oil market by escalating hostilities in the Middle East.
- The Energy Information Administration (EIA) cut its forecast for U.S. crude oil growth in 2024 by 120,000 bpd to 170,000 bpd, sharply lower than last year's output increase of 1.02 million bpd.
- 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.
- China's aluminium product exports to the European Union which was covered by the bloc's carbon border tariff fell 30% in 2023, the China Nonferrous Metals Industry Association (CNIA) said. The EU launched the first phase of the Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) in October, as it tries to stop more polluting foreign products from undermining its green transition.

## Events In Focus

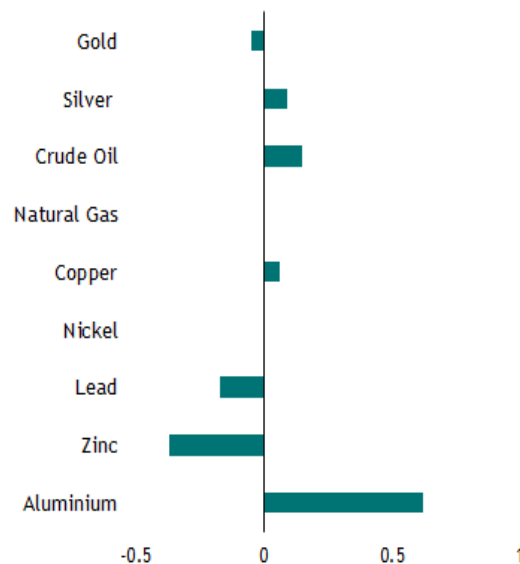
## Priority

US Weekly Jobless Claims @ 7:00pm	High
US EIA Natural Gas Inventories @ 9:00pm	Very High

## International Commodity Prices

Commodity	Rate	% Chg.
Gold Spot (\$/oz)	2035.158	0.05
Silver Spot (\$/oz)	22.3648	0.81
NYMEX Crude (\$/bbl)	73.88	0.03
NYMEX NG (\$/mmBtu)	1.977	0.51
SHFE Copper (CNY/T)	67850	-0.13
SHFE Nickel (CNY/T)	125800	1.68
SHFE Lead (CNY/T)	16310	0.8
SHFE Zinc (CNY/T)	20550	0.32
SHFE Aluminium (CNY/T)	18950	0.13

## MCX Commodities Daily Performance



## Global Commodities in MCX

Commodity	Last	% Chg.
Gold (Rs/10grams)	62501	-0.04
Silver (Rs/1kilogram)	70375	0.09
Crude Oil (Rs/barrel)	6140	0.15
Natural Gas (Rs/mmBtu)	165.3	-0.12
Copper (Rs/Kilogram)	711.4	0.03
Nickel (Rs/Kilogram)	0	0
Lead (Rs/Kilogram)	179	-0.20
Zinc (Rs/Kilogram)	214.5	-0.35
Aluminium (Rs/Kilogram)	201.95	0.62

\*Prices of most active Commodity futures contracts

# BULLION

## Gold Mini MCX Mar

### Technical Levels

R 3	64300
R 2	63470/63840
R 1	63000
Turnaround	62460
S 1	61900
S 2	61470
S 3	60710



### Technical View



A voluminous rebound above 62460 may offer further upside. Extended fall below 61900 region may induce weakness.

## Silver Mini MCX Feb

### Technical Levels

R 3	72560
R 2	72000
R 1	71600
Turnaround	70900
S 1	70000
S 2	69540
S 3	69090



### Technical View



Extended dip below 70000 may induce further weakness. Holding the same support can induce mild rebounds.



## ENERGY

### Crude Oil MCX Feb

#### Technical Levels

R 3	6560
R 2	6440
R 1	6240/6300
Turnaround	6180
S 1	6060
S 2	5840/5780
S 3	5680



#### Technical View



Present recovery moves may strengthen above 6180 region. Whereas, a dip below 6060 may induce weakness as well.

### Natural Gas MCX Feb

#### Technical Levels

R 3	186
R 2	181
R 1	173
Turnaround	168
S 1	160
S 2	152
S 3	145



#### Technical View



MACD Bearish divergence suggest prevalence of weakness. However, a rebound above 168 region may strengthen prices.



## BASE METALS

### Copper MCX Feb

#### Technical Levels

R 3	741
R 2	727/734
R 1	722
Turnaround	715
S 1	706
S 2	695
S 3	687



#### Technical View

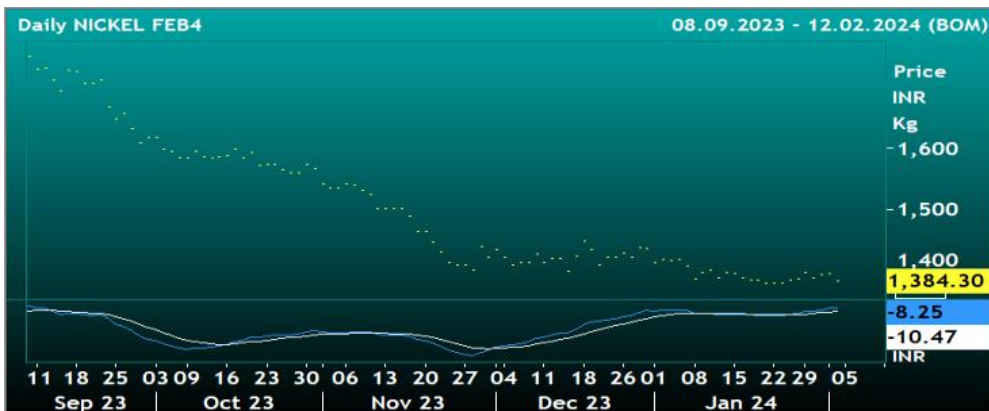


Corrective moves still possible in the counter. Mild rebound may be seen if prices held on any of the support levels.

### 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



#### Technical View

Lack of volume in the counter.

### Zinc MCX Feb

#### Technical Levels

R 3	222.10
R 2	218.30
R 1	216.50
Turnaround	215.50
S 1	213.80
S 2	213
S 3	211.50



#### Technical View



Extended fall below 213.80 may weaken prices further. Whereas, if the same support is held, mild rebound is possible.

## BASE METALS

### Lead MCX Feb

#### Technical Levels

R 3	184.80
R 2	183.50
R 1	182.40
Turnaround	181.20
S 1	178.30
S 2	177.50
S 3	176.60



#### Technical View



Mild weakness may be seen. Rebound may sustain above 181.20.

### Aluminium MCX Feb

#### Technical Levels

R 3	205.70
R 2	204.80
R 1	203.60
Turnaround	202.50
S 1	199.90
S 2	198
S 3	197.20



#### Technical View



Prices may gain momentum above 202.50. Else, mild consolidation may be seen below the same resistance.



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
<b>Monday, 05 Feb</b>						
07:15	China	Moderate	Caixin Services PMI	52.7		52.9
20:30	United States	Moderate	ISM Non Manufacturing PMI	53.4	52.0	50.6
<b>Tuesday, 06 Feb</b>						
15:30	Euro Zone	Moderate	Retail Sales MM	-1.1%	-1.0%	-0.3%
15:30	Euro Zone	Moderate	Retail Sales YY	-0.8%	-0.9%	-1.1%
<b>Wednesday, 07 Feb</b>						
19:00	United States	Moderate	International Trade	-62.2B	-62.2B	-63.2B
19:00	United States	Moderate	Goods Trade Balance (R)	-87.89B		-88.46B
21:00	United States	Very High	EIA Weekly Crude Stock	5.520M	1.895M	1.234M
21:00	United States	Very High	EIA Weekly Distillate Stock	-3.221M	-1.000M	-2.542M
21:00	United States	Very High	EIA Weekly Gasoline Stock	-3.146M	0.140M	1.156M
<b>Thursday, 08 Feb</b>						
07:00	China	High	PPI YY	-2.5%	-2.6%	-2.7%
07:00	China	High	CPI YY	-0.8%	-0.5%	-0.3%
07:00	China	High	CPI MM	0.3%	0.4%	0.1%
10:00	India	Moderate	Repo Rate	6.50%	6.50%	6.50%
10:00	India	Moderate	Reverse Repo Rate	3.35%		3.35%
10:00	India	Moderate	Cash Reserve Ratio	4.50%	4.50%	4.50%
20:30	United States	Moderate	Wholesale Inventories		0.4%	0.4%
19:00	United States	High	Initial Jobless Claim		220k	224k
19:00	United States	High	Continuing Jobless Claim		1.878M	1.898M
21:00	United States	Very High	EIA-Natural Gas Chg Bcf		-76B	-197B
<b>Friday, 09 Feb</b>						
Feb 9 - 15	China		Spring Festival - Golden Week Holiday begins			



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