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# Daily Currency & Commodities Outlook

## Daily Recommendations

| Commodity/Index | Expiry | Action | Entry      | Target | Stop Loss | Time Frame |
|-----------------|--------|--------|------------|--------|-----------|------------|
| Natural Gas     | April  | Buy    | 151.50-152 | 160    | 147       | Intraday   |

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## News and Developments

- Spot Gold prices rallied again yesterday hitting fresh record high of \$2353 level. Prices moved up by 0.4% amid weakness in dollar, central bank purchases and geopolitical tensions. China's central bank added 160,000 troy ounces of gold to its reserves in March. Moreover, other countries like Turkey, India, Kazakhstan and some eastern European countries were seen buying gold this year
- Dollar index ended on the negative note yesterday losing 0.16% ahead of inflation data from US, which could shed some light on timing of first rate cut. However, sharp fall was cushioned as last week mixed batch of economic data prompted market to pare bets on number of rate cuts this year by US Fed. Additionally, strength in euro weighed on the dollar. Euro gained strength due to stronger than expected Eurozone confidence and German industrial production data.
- U.S. Treasury yields rose yesterday as investors look into how deeply Fed will be able to cut interest rates this year after a mixed bag of economic data, a slowdown in services growth followed by strong job report. Yield on benchmark US 10-year treasury note rose to 4.42% and 2-year treasury yield, which typically moves in step with interest rate expectations edged higher to 4.79%
- Crude oil prices ended on the negative note losing 0.18% yesterday, however prices bounced off session lows on weakness in dollar and as fresh round of Gaza ceasefire talks remained deadlocked. Additionally, uncertainty around how Iran will respond to the bombing of its consulate in Syria last week continued to support prices
- Copper prices hit their highest in more than 14 months yesterday gaining more than 1% yesterday buoyed by weakness in dollar and strong German industrial data.
- Natural gas prices recovered early losses and closed higher on cooler weather forecasts for the US that would boost heating demand

## Price Performance

| Commodity     | LTP (₹) | Change | LTP (\$) | Change |
|---------------|---------|--------|----------|--------|
| Gold          | 70912   | 1.03%  | 2339.03  | 0.40%  |
| Silver        | 81875   | 1.25%  | 27.85    | 1.36%  |
| Copper        | 816.1   | 1.83%  | 9411.50  | 0.88%  |
| Aluminium     | 223.8   | -0.09% | 2460.50  | 0.41%  |
| Zinc          | 235.6   | 1.29%  | 2664.00  | 0.97%  |
| Lead          | 186.8   | 0.13%  | 2144.00  | 0.97%  |
| WTI Crude Oil | 7179    | -1.44% | 86.43    | -0.55% |
| US Nat Gas    | 154.1   | 1.72%  | 1.84     | 3.31%  |

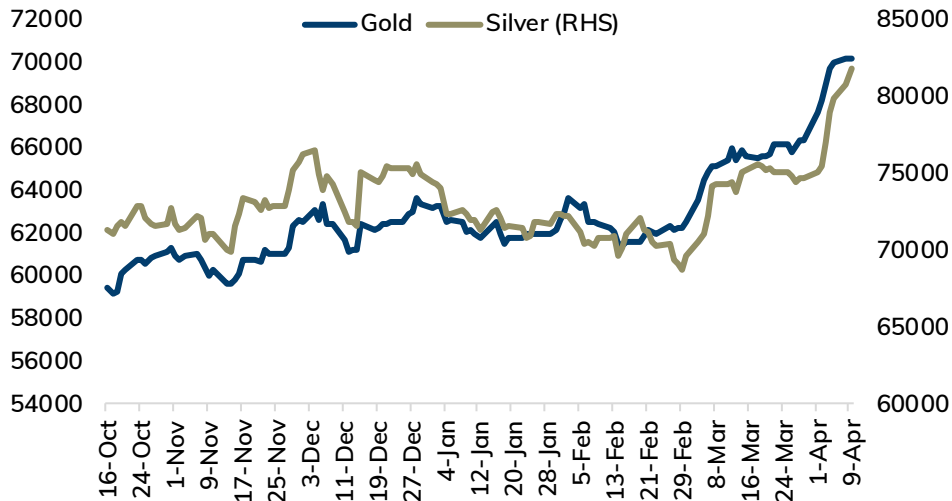
## Domestic Currencies

| Futures           | Close  | % Change | Open Interest | Change in OI | Volume | Change in Vol |
|-------------------|--------|----------|---------------|--------------|--------|---------------|
| USDINR (26th Apr) | 83.36  | -0.01%   | 2349324       | 47315        | 459658 | 104077        |
| EURINR (26th Apr) | 90.30  | -0.11%   | 41441         | 332          | 3312   | -4945         |
| GBPINR (26th Apr) | 105.23 | -0.05%   | 45517         | -6462        | 21361  | 4796          |

## Daily Strategy Follow-up

| Commodity/Index | Expiry | Action | Entry     | Target | Stoploss | Comment       |
|-----------------|--------|--------|-----------|--------|----------|---------------|
| Crude Oil       | April  | Buy    | 7080-7100 | 7250   | 7000     | Not Initiated |

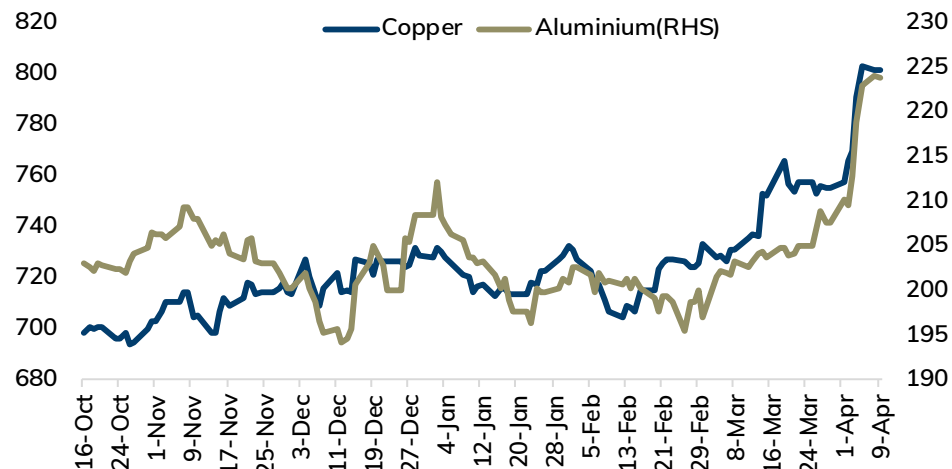
## MCX Gold vs. Silver



## Bullion Outlook

- Spot gold is likely to continue with its upward momentum amid weakness in dollar and rise in demand for safe haven following geopolitical tension in Middle East. Further, prices may go higher as market is reacting positively to rise in gold purchases by Chinese and other central banks. Spot gold prices likely to rise further towards \$2360 levels as long as it stays above immediate support near \$2315 level. On flip side, close below \$2315 level it may correct towards its psychological support of \$2300 level, only a sustain close below \$2300 level prices may move further south towards 10-day EMA around \$2285 level.
- MCX Gold June prices is likely to rise further towards 71,200 level as long as it stays above 70,200 level. On the contrary, close below 70,200 level it may correct towards its psychological support of 70000 level, only a close below this level prices may move further south towards 69500.
- MCX Silver May is expected to rise towards 82,600 level as long as it sustains above 81,000 level.

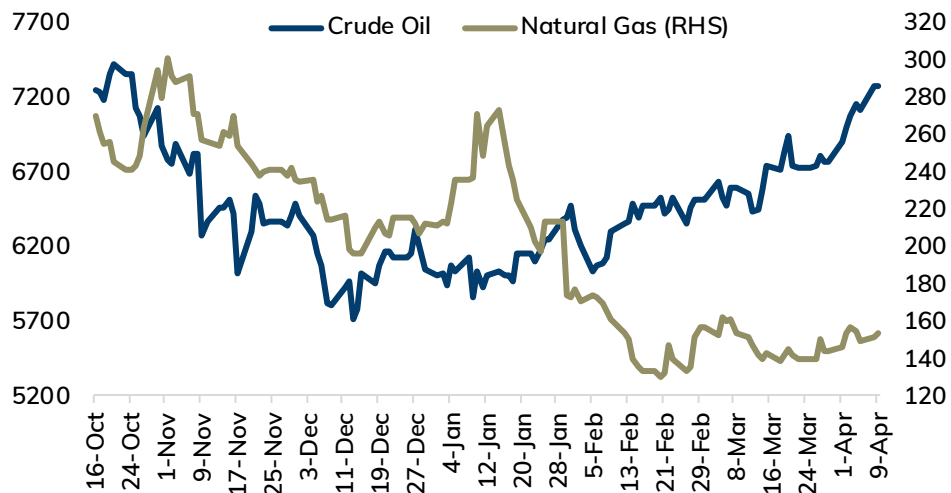
## MCX Copper vs. Aluminium



## Base Metal Outlook

- Copper prices expected to trade with positive bias amid weak dollar, optimistic global market sentiments and tightening supply risk due to disruptions in major mines in Africa, logistical problems in Congo and droughts in Zambia. Further, prices may rally on hopes for cuts to interest rates in the US and Europe as well as elevated sentiment towards other commodities.
- MCX Copper is expected to move further north towards 820 level as long as it stays above 805 level. A break above 820 would open doors for 825 levels.
- Aluminum is expected to face hurdle near 225.50 levels and slip back towards 221 level

## MCX Crude Oil vs. Natural Gas



## Energy Outlook

- NYMEX Crude oil is expected to find the support near \$85.10 level (10-day EMA) and rise back towards \$87.50 level buoyed by weakness in dollar, worries over supply tightness and persistent geopolitical tension in Middle East. Hopes for ceasefire in Gaza diminished after Hamas rejected proposal and Israeli PM said a date was set for an invasion of Rafah, Gaza's last refuge for displaced Palestinians. Moreover, investors will remain cautious ahead of inflation data from US and China, worlds top oil consumers to gain signals on economic conditions. Additionally, Tehran statement to get revenge is feeding concern that the conflict would broaden in Middle East
- MCX Crude oil is likely to rise towards 7300 levels as long as it trades above 7050 levels (10-Day EMA). A sustain break above 7300 level would open doors for 7350 levels
- MCX Natural gas April is expected to rise further towards 50-Day EMA of 160 level as long as its holds the support near 147 level

## Daily Commodity Pivot Levels

| Commodity | S2    | S1    | Pivot | R1    | R2    |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Gold      | 70175 | 70543 | 70812 | 71180 | 71449 |
| Silver    | 80190 | 81032 | 81571 | 82413 | 82952 |
| Copper    | 790.3 | 803.2 | 811.3 | 824.2 | 832.4 |
| Aluminium | 221.1 | 222.4 | 223.8 | 225.1 | 226.5 |
| Zinc      | 227.3 | 231.4 | 233.9 | 238.1 | 240.6 |
| Lead      | 182.5 | 184.7 | 186.4 | 188.5 | 190.2 |
| Crude Oil | 7044  | 7111  | 7180  | 7247  | 7316  |
| Nat Gas   | 143   | 149   | 152   | 157   | 160   |

## Daily Currency Pivot Levels

| Futures       | S2     | S1     | Pivot  | R1     | R2     |
|---------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| US\$INR (Apr) | 83.22  | 83.29  | 83.33  | 83.40  | 83.45  |
| US\$INR (May) | 83.24  | 83.33  | 83.39  | 83.48  | 83.54  |
| EURINR (Apr)  | 90.09  | 90.20  | 90.31  | 90.41  | 90.52  |
| EURINR (May)  | 90.47  | 90.49  | 90.52  | 90.54  | 90.57  |
| GBPINR (Apr)  | 105.08 | 105.15 | 105.23 | 105.30 | 105.38 |
| GBPINR (May)  | 105.11 | 105.22 | 105.36 | 105.47 | 105.61 |
| JPYINR (Apr)  | 54.67  | 54.88  | 55.23  | 55.44  | 55.79  |
| JPYINR (May)  | 55.47  | 55.54  | 55.66  | 55.73  | 55.85  |

# Key Parameters

## Major Currency Pairs

| Currencies | Close  | Pvs. Close | % Change |
|------------|--------|------------|----------|
| DXY        | 104.12 | 104.25     | -0.12%   |
| US\$INR    | 83.45  | 83.44      | 0.01%    |
| EURUSD     | 1.0837 | 1.0836     | 0.01%    |
| EURINR     | 90.60  | 89.84      | 0.85%    |
| GBPUSD     | 1.2642 | 1.2652     | -0.08%   |
| GBPINR     | 105.68 | 104.90     | 0.75%    |

## 10 year government - Global Bonds Yields

| Country | Close | Pvs. Close | Change  |
|---------|-------|------------|---------|
| India   | 7.093 | 7.103      | -0.01   |
| US      | 4.309 | 4.347      | -0.0378 |
| Germany | 2.361 | 2.395      | -0.034  |
| UK      | 4.021 | 4.056      | -0.035  |
| Japan   | 0.788 | 0.796      | -0.008  |

## US Crude Stocks Change (Barrels)

| Release Date | Time (IST) | Actual | Forecast |
|--------------|------------|--------|----------|
| 03-04-2024   | 8:00 PM    | 3.2M   | -0.3M    |
| 27-03-2024   | 8:00 PM    | 3.2M   | -0.7M    |
| 20-03-2024   | 8:00 PM    | -2.0M. | -0.9M    |
| 13-03-2024   | 8:00 PM    | -1.5M  | 0.9M     |
| 06-03-2024   | 9:00 PM    | 1.4M   | 2.4M     |
| 28-02-2024   | 9:00 PM    | 4.2M   | 3.1M     |
| 22-02-2024   | 9:30 PM    | 3.5M   | 3.9M     |

## LME Warehouse Stocks (Tonnes)

| Commodity | Current Stock | Change in Stock | % Change |
|-----------|---------------|-----------------|----------|
| Copper    | 114275        | -1250           | -1.08%   |
| Aluminium | 533150        | -2325           | -0.43%   |
| Zinc      | 260125        | -75             | -0.03%   |
| Lead      | 272600        | -425            | -0.16%   |
| Nickel    | 77148         | -456            | -0.59%   |

# Economic Calendar

| Date & Time (IST)         | Country | Data & Events                     | Actual | Expected | Previous | Impact |
|---------------------------|---------|-----------------------------------|--------|----------|----------|--------|
| Monday, April 08, 2024    |         |                                   |        |          |          |        |
| 5:20 AM                   | Japan   | Current Account                   | 1.37T  | 1.99T    | 2.73T    | Medium |
| 11:30 AM                  | Europe  | German Industrial Production m/m  | 2.10%  | 0.60%    | 1.00%    | Medium |
| 2:00 PM                   | Europe  | Sentix Investor Confidence        | -5.9   | -8.3     | -10.5    | Medium |
| Tuesday, April 09, 2024   |         |                                   |        |          |          |        |
| 4:31 AM                   | UK      | BRC Retail Sales Monitor y/y      | 3.20%  | 1.80%    | 1%       | Medium |
| 3:30 PM                   | US      | NFIB Small Business Index         | -      | 90.2     | 89.4     | Medium |
| Wednesday, April 10, 2024 |         |                                   |        |          |          |        |
| 6:00 PM                   | US      | CPI y/y                           | -      | 3.40%    | 3.20%    | High   |
| 6:00 PM                   | US      | Core CPI y/y                      | -      | 3.70%    | 3.80%    | High   |
| 8:00 PM                   | US      | Crude Oil Inventories             | -      | -        | 3.2M     | Medium |
| 11:30 PM                  | US      | FOMC Meeting Minutes              | -      | -        | -        | High   |
| Thursday, April 11, 2024  |         |                                   |        |          |          |        |
| 7:00 AM                   | China   | CPI y/y                           | -      | 0.40%    | 0.70%    | High   |
| 7:00 AM                   | China   | PPI y/y                           | -      | -2.80%   | -2.70%   | High   |
| 5:45 PM                   | Europe  | Main Refinancing Rate             | -      | 4.50%    | 4.50%    | High   |
| 6:00 PM                   | US      | PPI m/m                           | -      | 0.30%    | 0.60%    | High   |
| 6:00 PM                   | US      | Core-PPI m/m                      | -      | 0.20%    | 0.30%    | High   |
| 6:00 PM                   | US      | Unemployment Claims               | -      | 217K     | 221K     | High   |
| 8:00 PM                   | US      | Natural Gas Storage               | -      | -        | -37B     | Medium |
| Friday, April 12, 2024    |         |                                   |        |          |          |        |
| Tentative                 | China   | Trade Balance                     | -      | 508B     | 891B     | Medium |
| 11:30 AM                  | UK      | GDP m/m                           | -      | 0.10%    | 0.20%    | High   |
| 5:30 PM                   | India   | CPI y/y                           | -      | 4.90%    | 5.09%    | High   |
| 7:30 PM                   | US      | Prelim UoM Consumer Sentiment     | -      | 79       | 79.4     | High   |
| 7:30 PM                   | US      | Prelim UoM Inflation Expectations | -      | -        | 2.90%    | Medium |



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