

EVENING ROUNDUP

Daily Evening Report on Bullion, Base Metals and Energy Commodities

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- Middle East tensions escalated further on Monday as U.S. forces struck Iran for a ninth straight day, while concerns over shipping through the Strait of Hormuz intensified after Iran reported that two oil tankers had exploded and become immobilized.
- Spot gold steadied, while spot silver climbed on the day as investors weighed the escalating conflict in the Middle East, which drove oil prices higher. Sentiment was also influenced by comments from another U.S. Federal Reserve official indicating that further interest rate increases may be necessary to contain inflation.
- Crude oil prices surged to a fresh monthly high today as tensions between the U.S. and Iran intensified. However, prices later pared their early gains after Iran's Foreign Ministry stated that negotiations with the U.S. could be pursued if they align with the country's national interests.
- The International Energy Agency reported that global oil supply increased by 4.1 million barrels per day in June, though it remained 9.4 million bpd below pre-war levels. The agency forecasts supply growth of 7.5 million bpd next year following an expected contraction of 3.7 million bpd this year, provided shipping through the Strait of Hormuz improves.
- Total aluminum inventories in LME fell below 300000 tonnes for the first time since 2022.
- China's aluminium exports rose 12.5% to 711000 tonnes in June, reaching a record high. In H1-2026, China's cumulative aluminium exports totaled 3.4 million tonnes, up 16.3% year-on-year.
- The global refined copper market showed a 145000 metric tonnes deficit in April, compared with a 23000 metric tonnes surplus in March, the International Copper Study Group (ICSG) said.
- China's imports of refined copper rose to a nine-month high of 281307 metric tonnes in June, driven by robust demand and a decline in its domestic supply.
- The U.S. Inflation eased to 3.5% yoy in June, while core inflation also moderated, indicating a further slowdown in underlying price pressures.

Events In Focus

Priority

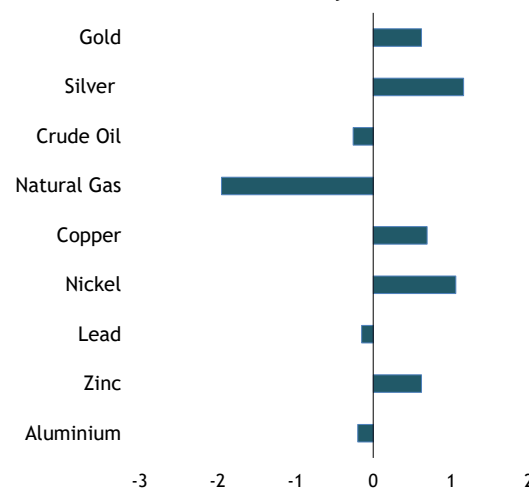
No Major US Economic Data

Indices & Currency	LTP	% Chg.
DJIA Index	52146.42	-0.77
BSE Sensex	77736.32	-0.53
China's SSE Index	3796.2814	0.85
Dollar Index	100.805	0.04
Indian Rupee	96.445	0.17

International Commodity Prices

Commodity	LTP	% Chg.
Gold Spot (\$/oz)	4019.323	0.07
Silver Spot (\$/oz)	56.8947	1.78
NYMEX Crude (\$/bbl)	81.92	-0.69
NYMEX NG (\$/mmBtu)	2.851	-2.06
SHFE Copper (CNY/T)	104020	0.2
SHFE Nickel (CNY/T)	129530	-0.68
SHFE Lead (CNY/T)	15790	-0.22
SHFE Zinc (CNY/T)	24345	-0.9
SHFE Aluminium (CNY/T)	23010	-0.86

MCX Commodities Daily Performance



MCX Commodities	LTP	% Chg.
Gold (Rs/10grams)	141774	0.62
Silver (Rs/1kilogram)	218906	1.16
Crude Oil (Rs/barrel)	7922	-0.29
Natural Gas (Rs/mmBtu)	276.2	-1.95
Copper (Rs/Kilogram)	1311.35	0.69
Nickel (Rs/Kilogram)	1643.6	1.06
Lead (Rs/Kilogram)	198.7	-0.15
Zinc (Rs/Kilogram)	375.45	0.62
Aluminium (Rs/Kilogram)	342.25	-0.2

*Prices of most active Commodity futures contracts



MCX Commodities - Evening Technical View & Levels



Gold Mini Aug

Range bound trades expected to prevail in this session. Whereas, a rebound above the 143700 level could offer the possibility for upticks.

S3	S2	S1	Turnaround	R1	R2	R3
130000	134000	137400	143700	145700	149000	155000



Silver Mini Aug

Sustained trades below 223000 region indicate the possibility for further weakness. But a voluminous rebound above the same could shift this sentiments.

S3	S2	S1	Turnaround	R1	R2	R3
205000	213000	217300	223000	227000	230000	235000



Crude Oil Aug

The possibility of upside moves still prevails. However, a voluminous decline below the 7720 level could increase downward pressure.

S3	S2	S1	Turnaround	R1	R2	R3
7140	7390	7560	7720	8060	8210	8510



Natural Gas Jul

A break below 273 may lead to further weakness. Conversely, a rebound above the 280 level could offer upside momentum.

S3	S2	S1	Turnaround	R1	R2	R3
253	262	273	280	286	294	301



Copper Jul

Prices may appear firmer above 1320 region. Whereas, a voluminous break below 1305 could weaken the prices.

S3	S2	S1	Turnaround	R1	R2	R3
1280	1290	1296	1305	1320	1333	1348



Alumini Jul

Voluminous dip below 341.70 could trigger weakness. Rebound could strengthen only above 345.20 region.

S3	S2	S1	Turnaround	R1	R2	R3
334.80	337	339.40	341.70	345.20	346.60	349.20



Zinc Mini Jul

Rebound above 375.90 could regain upward momentum. Whereas, a dip below 372.70 could induce weakness.

S3	S2	S1	Turnaround	R1	R2	R3
366.60	368.70	371.20	372.70	375.90	378	380.20



Lead Mini Jul

Prices could strengthen with solid move above 200.20 region. Slip below the 198.30 level could weaken the prices.

S3	S2	S1	Turnaround	R1	R2	R3
194	195.50	197.20	198.30	200.20	203	205.90



ECONOMIC CALENDAR

Time	Country	Importance	Data/Events	Actual	Forecast	Previous
Monday, 20 July						
06:30	China	High	Loan Prime Rate 1Y	3.00%		3.00%
06:30	China	High	Loan Prime Rate 5Y	3.50%		3.50%
Tuesday, 21 July						
			No Major US Economic Data			
Wednesday, 22 July						
20:00	United States	Very High	EIA Weekly Crude Stock			-1.692M
20:00	United States	Very High	EIA Weekly Distillate Stock			4.556M
20:00	United States	Very High	EIA Weekly Gasoline Stock			-1.533M
Thursday, 23 July						
18:00	United States	High	Initial Jobless Claim		212k	208k
18:00	United States	High	Continuing Jobless Claim			1.805M
20:00	United States	Very High	EIA-Natural Gas Chg Bcf			41B
Friday, 24 July						
19:30	United States	High	New Home Sales-Units		0.610M	0.580M

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.



Bullish



Mild Bullish



Neutral/Sideways



Bearish



Mild Bearish

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