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# **Daily Commodities Outlook**

Daily Recommendations						
Commodity/Index	Expiry	Action	Entry	Target	Stop Loss	Time Frame
Crude Oil	August	Sell	5730-5740	5580	5830	Intraday

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#### **News and Developments**

- Spot Gold prices ended on the positive note gaining 0.32%, while Silver prices ended flat on Friday. Gold prices edged higher on weak dollar and softening of U.S treasury yields. Further, demand for safe haven increased amid ongoing geopolitical and economic uncertainty. Moreover, dovish comments from Fed Governor Waller boosted demand for bullions.
- US Dollar ended on the negative note losing 0.16% on Friday amid dovish comments from Fed official. He said he supports Fed interest rate cut at upcoming meeting. Also, an easing of inflation expectations in University of Michigan July inflation expectations report added downside pressure on dollar. Meanwhile, better than expected housing data and consumer sentiment index cushioned sharp fall in dollar
- US June housing starts rose to 1.321 million, stronger than expectations of 1.300 million. Also, June building permits unexpectedly rose to 1.397 million versus expectations of decline to 1.387 million. The University of Michigan's US July consumer sentiment index rose to a 5-month high of 61.8, stronger than expectations of 61.5. The University of Michigan US July 1-year inflation expectations indicator fell to a 5-month low of 4.4%
- US treasury yields edged lower following dovish comments from US Fed official. US Treasury 10-year yield slipped to 4.420%. While 2year treasury yield, which typically moves in step with interest rate expectations decline to 3.869%
- NYMEX Crude oil prices settled lower on Friday losing 0.42% on mixed economic data from US and tariff news. Meanwhile, sharp fall was cushioned as EU slapped new sanction on Russia
- Copper prices edged higher on Friday amid better-than-expected housing data from U.S and expectations of increased buying from China
- Natural gas prices edged up on forecasts for hot weather next week in the U.S Source: Bloomberg, ICICI Direct Research

#### **Price Performance**

Commodity	Close	High	Low	% Change
Precious Metal				
Comex Gold (\$/toz)	3358	3368	3337	0.39%
MCX Gold (Rs/10gm)	98024	98157	97320	0.57%
Comex Silver (\$/toz)	38.46	38.83	38.38	0.42%
MCX Silver (Rs/Kg)	112950	113688	112505	0.55%
Base Metals				
LME Copper (\$/tonne)	9779	9799	9659	1.16%
MCX Copper (Rs/Kg)	891.9	892.5	883.3	1.05%
LME Aluminium ((\$/tonne))	2630	2639	2583	2.00%
MCX Aluminium (Rs/Kg)	252.4	252.6	249.0	1.35%
LME Zinc (\$/tonne)	2819	2827	2736	2.98%
MCX Zinc (Rs/Kg)	265.3	265.5	258.7	2.59%
LME Lead (\$/tonne)	2010	2014	1971	1.88%
MCX Lead (Rs/Kg)	178.8	179.2	178.0	0.45%
Energy				
WTI Crude Oil (\$/bbl)	67.34	68.96	67.20	-0.30%
MCX Crude Oil (Rs/bbl)	5798.0	5930.0	5785.0	0.10%
NYMEX Natural Gas (\$/MMBtu)	3.57	3.63	3.49	0.65%
MCX Natural Gas (Rs/MMBtu)	303.5	312.0	302.1	-0.85%

### Daily Strategy Follow-up

Commodity/Index	Expiry	Action	Entry	Target	Stoploss	Comment
Natural Gas	July	Sell	307-308	297	313	Profit Booked

## Metal's Outlook



#### MCX Gold vs. Silver



## MCX Copper vs. Aluminium



#### **Bullion Outlook**

- Spot Gold is likely to slip back towards \$3320 level on expectation of recovery in dollar and U.S treasury yields. Further, better than expected economic data from U.S signals resilience in in the economy, giving Fed cover to delay cutting interest rates. Maybe statement from Federal Reserve Governor Christopher Waller was dovish but most officials who had spoken publicly signaled a desire to hold rates in upcoming meeting. Moreover, as per media report U.S is pushing for minimum tariff of 15% to 20% in any deal with EU, signaling Trump administration trying to exceeds 10% reciprocal tariff even if deal is reached, risk of higher inflation. Meanwhile, demand for safe haven may increase on escalating geopolitical tension in Middle East and uncertainty over U.S trade policies
- Spot gold is likely to slip towards \$3320 level as long as it stays below \$3375 level. MCX Gold Aug is expected to slip back towards ₹97,500 level as long as it stays below ₹98,500 level
- MCX Silver Sep is expected to slip towards ₹112,000 level as long as it trades below ₹114,000 level.

### **Base Metal Outlook**

- Copper prices are expected to trade with a negative bias on expectation that dollar may regain its strength and fears of escalating trade tension between U.S and its major trading partners. Investors are worried that tit for tat approach increased the risk of broader global trade war, which may have adverse effect on economic growth denting demand for industrial metal. Investors will remain cautious ahead of 1<sup>st</sup> August deadline when many trading partners will face higher trade levies and a list of the copper products to which the levy would apply. Additionally, prices may slip further amid rise in inventories at LME registered warehouses.
- MCX Copper July is expected to slip back towards ₹884 level as long as it stays below ₹895 level. On contrary, a break above ₹895 prices may rally further towards ₹900 level
- MCX Aluminum July is expected to rise further towards ₹255 level as long as it stays above ₹249 level. MCX Zinc July is likely to move north towards ₹268 level as long as it stays above ₹261 level.

# **Energy Outlook**



#### MCX Crude Oil vs. Natural Gas



MCX Futures Pivot Levels					
Commodity	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2
Gold	96997	97510	97834	98347	98671
Silver	111865	112407	113048	113590	114231
Copper	880.0	885.9	889.2	895.2	898.5
Aluminium	247.8	250.1	251.3	253.6	254.9
Zinc	256.4	260.8	263.2	267.6	270.0
Lead	177.5	178.2	178.7	179.3	179.8
Crude Oil	5693	5745	5838	5890	5983
Nat Gas	296	300	306	310	316

### **Energy Outlook**

- Crude oil is likely to trade with negative bias and slip further towards \$65 level on expectation of recovery in dollar, weak global market sentiments and rising output from Middle East producers. Further, market participants fears that higher trade tariffs and higher borrowing cost could slowdown global economic growth and in turn dampen demand for oil. Moreover, Iran is due to hold nuclear talks in Istanbul with Britain, France and Germany on Friday, any positive outcome will put downside pressure on prices. Meanwhile, sharp fall may be cushioned on supply concerns as European Union approved 18th package of sanctions against Russia over the conflict in Ukraine
- MCX Crude oil Aug is likely to slip back towards ₹5550 level as long as it stays below ₹5800 level.
- MCX Natural gas July is expected to dip towards ₹290 level as long as it stays below ₹312 level.

International Commodity Pivot Levels					
Commodity	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2
Gold	3324	3341	3355	3372	3385
Silver	38.10	38.28	38.55	38.73	39.00
Copper	9605	9692	9745	9832	9886
Aluminium	2561	2595	2617	2651	2673
Zinc	2703	2761	2794	2852	2885
Lead	1955	1982	1998	2026	2042
Crude Oil	66.07	66.71	67.83	68.47	69.59
Nat Gas	3.43	3.50	3.56	3.63	3.70

# **Key Parameters**



	Major Currency	Pairs	
Currencies	Close	Pvs. Close	% Change
DXY	98.48	98.73	-0.26%
US\$INR	86.16	86.08	0.09%
EURUSD	1.1626	1.1596	0.26%
EURINR	100.24	99.76	0.48%
GBPUSD	1.3416	1.3416	0.00%
GBPINR	115.80	115.31	0.43%

### 10 year government - Global Bonds Yields

Country	Close	Pvs. Close	Change
India	6.306	6.301	0.00
US	4.416	4.451	-0.04
Germany	2.695	2.675	0.02
UK	4.674	4.655	0.02
Japan	1.541	1.568	-0.03

### US Crude Stocks Change (Barrels)

Release Date	Time (IST)	Actual	Forecast
16-07-2025	8:00 PM	-3.9M	-1.8M
09-07-2025	8:00 PM	7.1M	-1.7M
02-07-2025	8:00 PM	3.8M	-3.5M
25-06-2025	8:00 PM	-5.8M	-1.2M
18-06-2025	8:00 PM	-11.5M	-2.3M
11-06-2025	8:00 PM	-3.6M	-2.4M
04-06-2025	8:00 PM	-4.3M	-2.9M

### LME Warehouse Stocks (Tonnes)

Commodity	Current Stock	Change in Stock	% Change
Copper	122175	25	0.02%
Aluminium	430700	3500	0.82%
Zinc	119100	-2375	-1.96%
Lead	268400	-2550	-0.94%
Nickel	207576	294	0.14%

## **Economic Calendar**



Date & Time (IST)	Country	Data & Events	Actual	Expected	Previous	Impact
Monday, July 21, 2025						
6:30 AM	China	1-y Loan Prime Rate	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	Medium
6:30 AM	China	5-y Loan Prime Rate	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%	Medium
Tuesday, July 22, 2025						
6:00 PM	US	Fed Chair Pow ell Speaks				High
7:30 PM	US	Richmond Manufacturing Index			-7	Medium
Wednesday, July 23, 2025						
7:30 PM	US	Existing Home Sales			4.03M	High
8:00 PM	US	Crude Oil inventories		-	3.9M	Medium
Thursday, July 24, 2025						
1:30 PM	Europe	Flash Manufacturing PMI			49.5	Medium
1:30 PM	Europe	Flash Services PMI			50.5	Medium
2:00 PM	UK	Flash Manufacturing PMI			47.7	High
2:00 PM	UK	Flash Services PMI			52.8	High
6:00 PM	US	Unemployment Claims			221K	High
6:15 PM	UK	ECB Press Conference				High
7:15 PM	US	Flash Manufacturing PMI			52.9	High
7:15 PM	US	Flash Services PMI			52.9	High
7:30 PM	US	New Home Sales			623K	Medium
8:00 PM	US	Natural Gas Storage			46B	Medium
Friday, July 25, 2025						
11:30 AM	UK	Retail Sales m/m			-2.70%	Medium
6:00 PM	US	Core Durable Goods Orders m/m			0.50%	Medium
6:00 PM	US	Durable Goods Orders m/m		-	16.40%	Medium





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