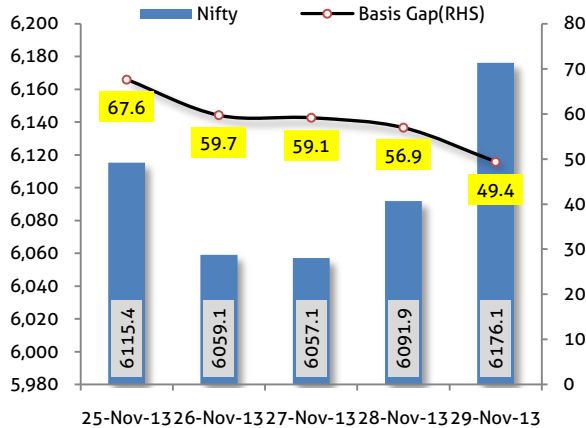


Ashika Weekly Insight

02 December 2013 to 07 December 2013



Market Outlook- The Key Indices reversed last week's decline and closed at a week's high, up ~3%. Positive cues from the global markets, rupee appreciation and decline in crude oil prices after Iran's nuclear deal lifted the sentiments on Dalal Street. A successful nuclear deal between world powers and Iran would help India reduce its current account deficit and contain inflationary concerns. Sentiment also got a boost after the rupee strengthened against the US Dollar and was trading around the 62.20 per dollar during the week. In the coming week, market participants will shift their focus on the political drama as the state of Delhi is set to have its legislative assembly polls on 4th December, 2013. In addition, December 5 would see the beginning of the Winter Session of Parliament. In other important economic data is the November manufacturing and Services PMI data and major port traffic data for the month April-November. Also, the US government will release the influential US non-farm payrolls data for November 2013 on 6 December.

Global Indices

Indices	Closing	Return(%)					
		1 D	1 W	1 M	3 M	6 M	1 Y
Dow Jones	16,086.4	(0.1)	0.1	2.6	8.6	6.0	23.5
Nasdaq	4,059.9	0.4	1.7	2.7	13.1	17.8	34.8
FTSE 100	6,650.6	(0.1)	(0.4)	(1.8)	3.7	1.4	13.3
CAC 40	4,295.2	(0.2)	0.4	0.4	9.2	9.4	20.4
DAX	9,405.3	0.2	2.0	4.2	16.1	13.4	27.1
Hang Seng	23,881.3	0.4	0.8	4.5	9.9	7.2	8.9
Nikkei 225	15,661.9	(0.4)	1.8	9.3	17.0	15.7	66.6
Shanghai Comp.	2,220.5	0.1	1.1	4.3	5.8	(2.3)	13.1
Straits Times	3,176.4	(0.3)	0.1	(1.0)	4.9	(3.5)	4.3
Nifty	6,176.1	1.4	3.0	(0.7)	12.9	4.3	6.0
Sensex	20,791.9	1.3	2.8	(0.7)	11.7	6.4	8.5

Commodities

Commodities	Latest Price	%CH-1W	%CH-1M
Brent Crude(\$/BBL)	109.69	(1.2)	0.1
Gold (\$/oz)	1250.40	0.5	(6.5)
Silver (\$/oz)	20.03	0.7	(10.7)
Copper (\$/MT)	7027.00	(0.5)	(3.4)
Alum (\$/MT)	1711.00	(2.1)	(7.2)
Zinc(\$/MT)	1859.00	(0.7)	(4.1)

Global Updates

USA

- Orders for durable goods dropped in October, pointing to a slowdown in U.S. business investment that will curb U.S. economic growth this quarter.(Bloomberg)
- The index of U.S. leading indicators rose for a fourth straight month in October, reflecting gains in factory orders and applications to begin new-home construction. (Bloomberg)
- Confidence among U.S. consumers rose last week to the highest level since early October as tensions in Washington calmed and hiring improved. (Bloomberg)
- Building permits climbed in October to the highest level in more than five years, signaling the U.S. residential real-estate market will strengthen in 2014.(Bloomberg)
- Contracts to buy previously owned U.S. homes hit a 10-month low in October, but a strong rebound in services sector activity early this month suggested some resilience in the economy as the year winds down. (Reuters)

EUROPE

- Germany's inflation expectations rose from an 18-month low as a report showed consumer prices increased more in November than economists forecast, damping the case for further European Central Bank stimulus. (Bloomberg)
- Economic confidence in the euro area improved more than economists forecast to a 27-month high in November, the latest indication that the bloc's recovery is gaining traction.
- Bank of England Governor Mark Carney took action to restrain the U.K.'s house-price boom by ending incentives for mortgage lending in a package aimed at curbing "evolving risks" to financial stability. (Bloomberg)

ASIA

- A gauge of Japan's prices (JCPNEFEY) rose the most in 15 years in a sign Prime Minister Shinzo Abe is making progress in stamping out deflation.(Bloomberg)
- Chinese companies' borrowing costs are climbing at a record pace relative to the government's, increasing the risk of defaults and prompting state newspapers to warn of a limited debt crisis. (Bloomberg)
- Members of the Bank of Japan's monetary policy board stated that the country's economic growth will accelerate in the second half of fiscal year 2013, minutes from the board's meeting revealed on Tuesday(RTT News)

Global Economic Calendar

Date	Curr.	Event	Forecast	Previous
02-Dec-13	EUR	Manufacturing PMI	51.5	51.5
02-Dec-13	USD	ISM Manufacturing PMI	55	56.4
03-Dec-13	GBP	Construction PMI	59	59.4
04-Dec-13	EUR	GDP (QoQ)	0.10%	0.10%
04-Dec-13	USD	MBA 30-Year Mortgage Rate		4.48%
04-Dec-13	USD	Nonfarm Employment Change	170K	130K
04-Dec-13	USD	Trade Balance	-40.00B	-41.80B
04-Dec-13	USD	ISM Non-Manufacturing PMI	55.1	55.4
04-Dec-13	USD	New Home Sales	430K	
05-Dec-13	GBP	Interest Rate Decision	0.50%	0.50%
05-Dec-13	EUR	Interest Rate Decision	0.25%	0.25%
05-Dec-13	USD	Continuing Jobless Claims	2,810K	2,776K
05-Dec-13	USD	GDP (QoQ)	3.00%	2.80%
05-Dec-13	USD	Initial Jobless Claims	320K	316K
05-Dec-13	USD	Factory Orders (MoM)	-1.00%	1.70%
06-Dec-13	USD	Nonfarm Payrolls	185K	204K
06-Dec-13	USD	Personal Spending (MoM)	0.20%	0.20%
06-Dec-13	USD	Unemployment Rate	7.20%	7.30%

Indian Economy

Economy

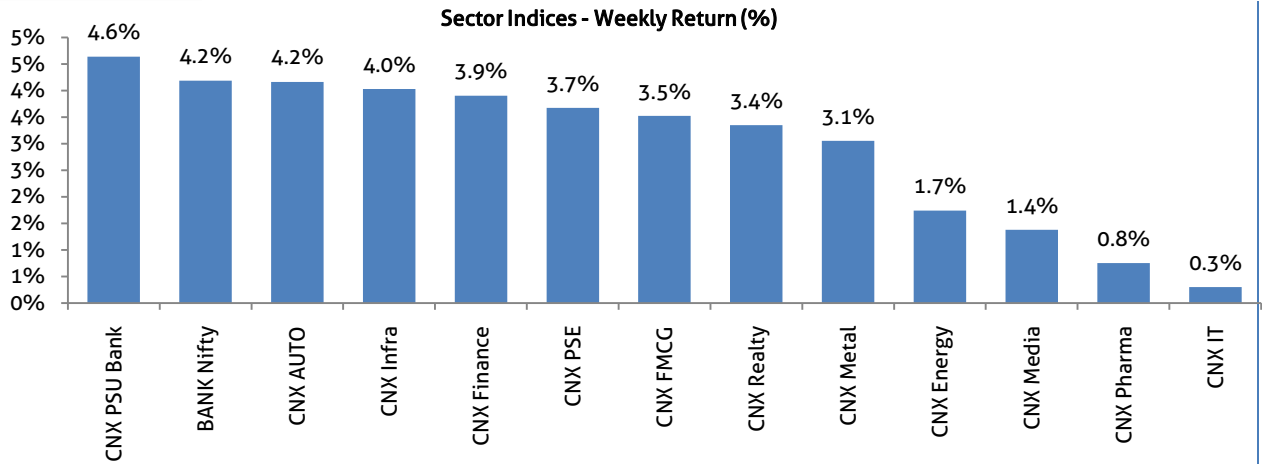
- India's economy expanded 4.8 per cent in July-September, the fourth straight quarter of sub-5 per cent growth, official data showed on Friday. Slower expansion of government-supported services and continued contraction in the mining sector were major drags while 4.6 per cent growth in agriculture after just 2.7 per cent in the previous quarter provided comfort. Gross domestic product (GDP) had grown 5.2 per cent in the same quarter of the previous financial year.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has decided to launch Inflation Indexed National Savings Securities-Cumulative (IINSS-C) for retail investors in the second half of December. These will be sold through banks.
- Commerce and Industry Minister Anand Sharma on Friday said the government is engaged in negotiating food subsidies given in the form of administered price, or minimum support price (MSP), to farmers at the World Trade Organization (WTO) and that it was not linked to the recently-announced National Food Security Act.
- Planning Commission deputy chairman Montek Singh Ahluwalia said the current account deficit may remain between 2.5% and 2.7% of the GDP this fiscal. (ET)
- The Reserve Bank of India has directed all regional rural banks to follow the minimum 9% capital adequacy rule from this year, marking the end of their transitory phase. (ET)
- A panel led by C Rangarajan has, in-principle, agreed on a formula that will allow highway developers in stressed projects to backend majority of their annual premium payable to the government. (ET)
- The Reserve Bank of India said about US\$25bn had been received from special concessional swap windows for deposits by non-resident Indians and overseas foreign currency borrowings by banks. (BS)
- There was a 52% jump in the restructured loan amount under corporate debt restructuring in the past fiscal to Rs. 2.29trn, according to the latest Reserve Bank data. (ET)

Corporate

- The Tata Group called off plans to set up a bank and withdrew its licence application, implying that the Reserve Bank of India's conditions were restrictive and conforming with them would affect its other businesses besides having to ensure that more than 1,000 units were compliant with requirements. (ET)
- Reliance Industries has shut another well on the main gas fields in the eastern offshore KG-D6 block due to high water ingress, leading to output plummeting to all-time low of 8.7 mmscmd. (ET)
- In a letter to the petroleum and natural gas ministry, ONGC has warned its output growth and international acquisitions were under "serious threat" because of a disproportionate rise in fuel subsidy burden. (BS)
- Wockhardt's regulatory woes in the US have worsened, with the Food and Drug Administration imposing an "import alert" on its Chikalthana plant in Aurangabad. (BL)
- Tata Consultancy Services bagged a major deal to handle nearly 1,000 offshore jobs for British energy NPower as part of its restructuring. (ET)
- Cairn India will spend about US\$1bn to buy back shares giving Anil Agarwal greater control over the company as environment rules derail his mining business. (BS)
- Bharti Airtel is looking to raise up to US\$1bn by selling bonds mainly to European investors as it seeks to boost its coffers in preparation for upcoming spectrum auctions and for potential acquisitions. (ET)
- Jet Airways' plan to sell or lease five of its wide-body Airbus A330 planes to Kuwait Airways is in trouble, with the Kuwait government suspending its flag carrier's chairman, Sami Al-Nesif. (BS)
- Tata Motors is evaluating "possible areas" of cooperation with Jaguar Land Rover, with the engineering teams at the UK plant as well as at the India centre working in synchronisation. (BS)
- Maruti Suzuki India will recall 1,492 vehicles to fix defects in the steering column. (BL)
- ONGC Videsh Ltd, the overseas arm of state-owned Oil and Natural Gas Corp, is looking to buy a stake in US major Chevron's US\$4.3bn Block B gas project in Vietnam. (BL)

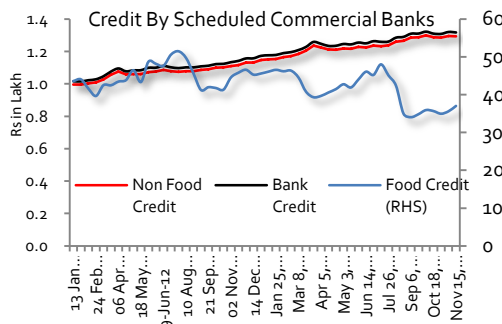
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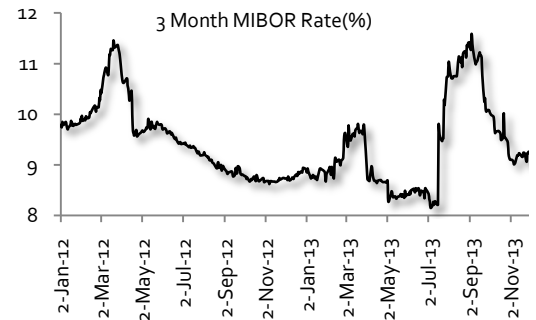


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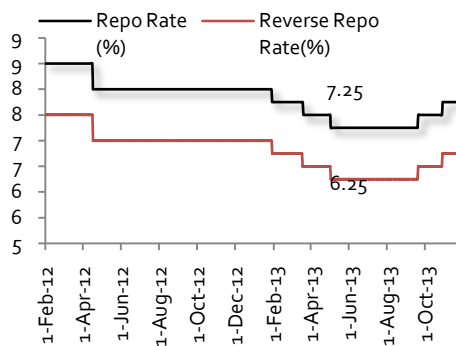
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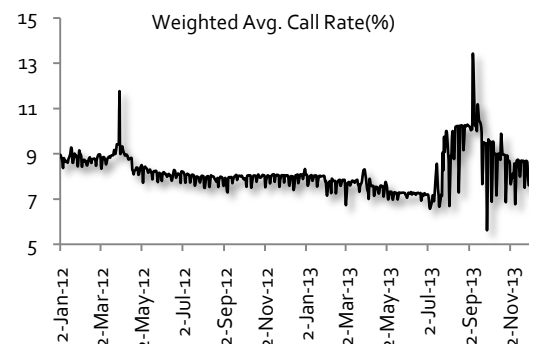
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Corporate Action for the week

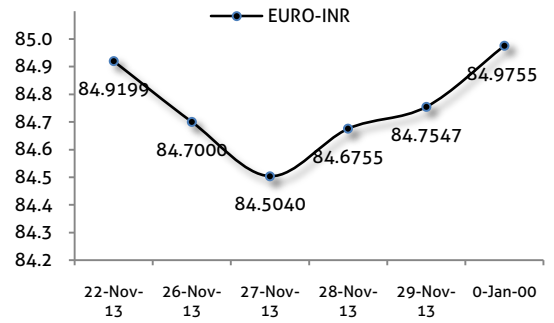
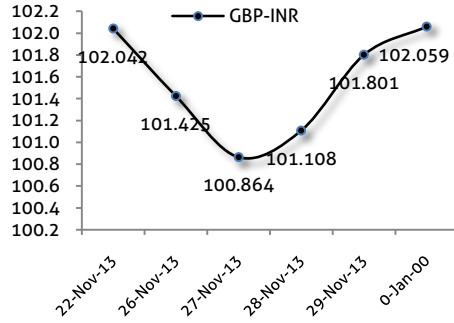
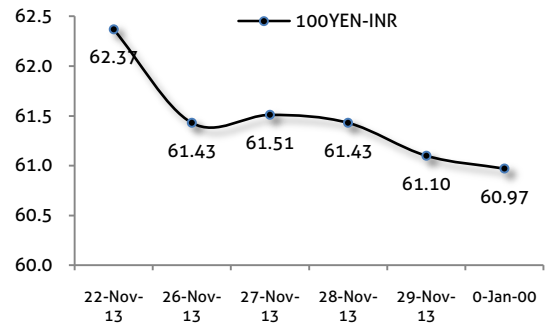
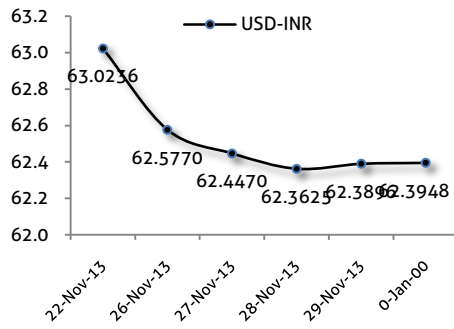
Events

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1	CIL Nova Petro	5-Dec-13	Consolidation of Shares

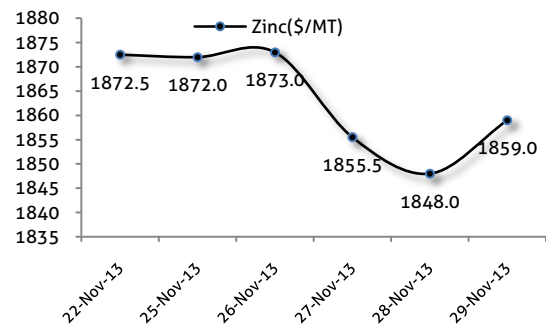
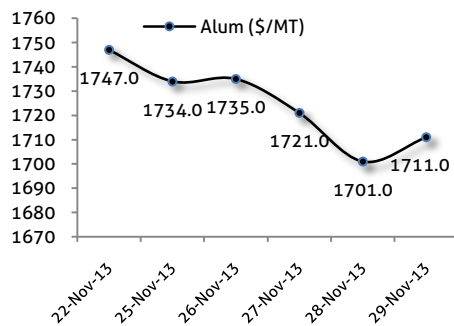
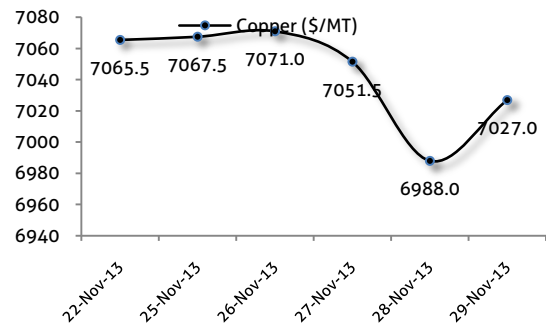
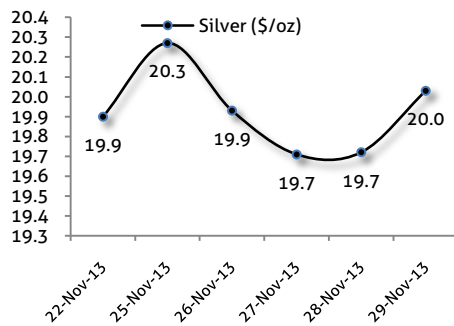
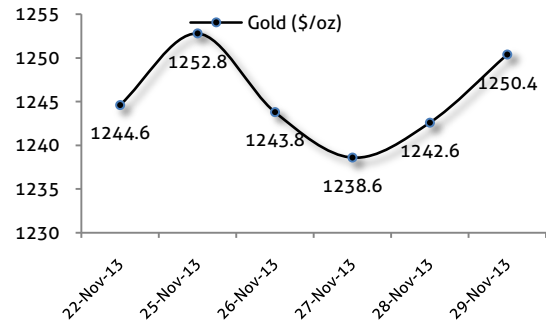
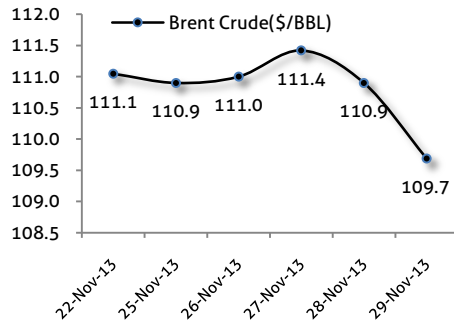
Dividend

Sl. Nos.	Scrip Name	Ex-Date	CMP	Div. Amt	Div Yield(%)
1	Sharon Bio	3-Dec-13	290.3	1.5	0.5
2	Fedders Lloyd	4-Dec-13	29.5	1.0	3.4
3	Financial Tech	5-Dec-13	167.4		
4	Pfizer	5-Dec-13	1704.0	360.0	21.1
5	SYMPHONY	5-Dec-13	404.9	6.5	1.6
6	Wyeth	5-Dec-13	985.9	145.0	14.7

Currencies



Commodities



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