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Overview

- DXY steadies as key inflation data looms over
- Gold continues its upward trajectory for third straight week
- Oil prices tumbled on easing Middle East tensions

Precious Metals

Gold prices traded steady as Dollar and Treasury yields held firm after strong US data heightened doubts on whether the would deliver three interest rate cuts this year. US job growth blew past expectations in March and wages increased at a steady clip, suggesting the economy ended 1st quarter on solid ground and potentially delaying anticipated Federal Reserve interest rate cuts this year. Employers added 303,000 jobs in March, in a further sign of a buoyant labour market, against the expectations of 200k, while the unemployment rate edged down to 3.8%, compared with a predicted 3.9%. Dollar index continue to hover above the 104 mark, while US 10Y yields is also not giving up strength, marked above 4.4%. Bets for rate cut in the month of June has dropped below 50% weighing safe haven assets. However, significant increase in the geo-political tensions and natural calamities i.e. tremors felt in some parts of the world have increased uncertainties in market supporting the Gold and Silver prices. Gold on the domestic front is expected to trade in the range of Rs. 70,000- 71,500

Precious metals	Close (\$)	%Chg.
Gold	2347.9	0.8%
Silver	27.96	1.7%
CFTC data	Speculative Longs	Change WoW
Gold	178213	20493
Silver	34084	3902
ETF	Close	%Chg.
GOLD ETF	1972.7	0.14
Silver ETF	25266	9.95
Others	Close	%Chg.
DXY	104.30	0.0%
US 10Y Yields	4.42	1.6%

Base Metals

London copper prices fell as the prospect of fewer-thanexpected interest rate cuts by the U.S. weighed on investor sentiment, while Shanghai copper climbed to an all-time high. Rate cut hopes by the U.S. Federal Reserves and soft a dollar boosted copper to a 14-month high last week; however, strong jobs data showed the world's largest economy created more jobs than expected last month, suggesting that the Fed may not be in a rush to cut interest rates in the near term. Codelco, said the world's biggest copper producer churned out almost 300kt in the Q1'24, this suggests it's yet to bounce back from the lowest levels in a guarter of a century, it officially produced 326kt in the same period last year. Drought conditions in neighboring Zambia are also putting the country's planned expansion of mined output at risk, this comes following cutbacks to Anglo's copper mines in Chile and the closure of the Cobre Panama copper mine late last year.

Energy

Oil prices settled higher, garnering weekly gains, as geopolitical tensions bolstered bets on future supply disruptions. The potential of Iran joining the Israel-Hamas war lifted oil prices, as Tehran threatened retaliation for what it saw as an Israeli raid on an Iranian embassy in Syria. Tight supply expectations remain in play as OPEC+ recently reiterated that its production cuts will remain in place until End-June, while top producer Russia also flagged deeper production cuts. However, reducing chances on sooner Federal Reserve rate reduction following a solid employment report tempered gains. Over the weekend, Israel withdrew soldiers from parts of Gaza and committed to renewed dialogue over a potential ceasefire with Hamas, pushing prices lower in early Asian trading session today.

Base Metals (MCX)		Close (Rs.)) %(%Chg.	
Copper		801	1.	6%	
Aluminium		224P	1.	8%	
Nickel		1462	2.	1%	
Lead		187	0.	4%	
Zinc	· · · ·	233	3.	8%	
Inventory		Current	W/W Chg.	Units	
Copper	LME	115525	3000	MT	
	Shanghai	291849	1621	MT	
Aluminum	LME	535475	-1375	MT	
	Shanghai	219474	2634	MT	
Nickel	LME	77604	-144	MT	
	Shanghai	17200	279	MT	
Lead	LME	273025	-1500	MT	
	Shanghai	51781	2558	MT	
Zinc	LME	260200	-1775	MT	
2000	Shanghai	123846	954	MT	

Energy	Close	%Chg.			
WTI Crude oil	85.7	70	-1.1%		
Natural gas	1.7	1.77			
Inventory (EIA)	Current	W/W Chg.	Units		
Crude oil	451.42	3.21	Mnbl		
Gasoline	227.82	-4.26	Mnbl		
		116.07 -1.27			
Distillate	116.07	-1.27	Mnbl		
Distillate Natural Gas	116.07 3.13	-1.27	bcf		

CFTC data	Speculative Longs	Change WoW
Crude oil	229484	12045
Natural Gas	-83182	2254

MT- Metric Ton, MNBL – Million Barrel, BCF –Billion Cubic Feet.

Options Monitor

MCX Gold Mini

	Call			Particulars		P	Put	
% Chg in OI	OI	Volume	Premium	Strike	Premium	Volume	OI	% Chg in OI
-9.8%	486	303	1655	68000	233.5	3021	2052	51.0%
-44.6%	36	28	1398.5	68500	337.5	256	104	7.2%
-5.4%	767	1680	1076	69000	472	3169	1320	92.7%
14.1%	146	1031	843	69500	667	222	116	0.0%
68.2%	903	4850	624.5	70000	865	1504	577	1127.7%
600.0%	98	260	453	70500	1149	8	4	0.0%
165.9%	569	2417	330.5	71000	1399.5	62	25	0.0%
0.0%	0	0	92.5	71500	1475.5	0	0	0.0%
0.0%	0	0	320.5	72000	2113	0	0	0.0%

MCX Crude Oil

	Call			Particulars		F	Put	
% Chg in OI	OI	Volume	Premium	Strike	Premium	Volume	OI	% Chg in OI
-43.1%	2895	16478	202.1	7000	55.6	69949	10101	-15.8%
-6.1%	1069	3346	171.6	7050	68.8	12252	930	-2.7%
-28.0%	3249	54282	150.8	7100	89.4	86628	8517	-7.3%
-2.9%	1268	14167	130.5	7150	106.5	19626	1909	62.1%
-10.4%	4304	154832	111.7	7200	133.8	148265	7513	165.7%
77.1%	595	35789	93.8	7250	159.1	14734	807	3568.2%
-17.7%	3545	102423	82.1	7300	185.5	59458	3369	791.3%
-16.3%	437	11155	67.4	7350	218.5	240	25	400.0%
-12.1%	1918	57142	55.7	7400	245.3	6442	556	186.6%

MCX Natural Gas

	Call			Particulars		Pu	t	
% Chg in OI	OI	Volume	Premium	Strike	Premium	Volume	OI	% Chg in OI
0.0%	0	0	34.4	115	0.25	554	283	8.8%
0.0%	37	1	24.65	125	0.55	4448	930	10.5%
-12.1%	109	384	16.95	135	1.85	5583	1713	-8.0%
12.3%	1607	16128	13.1	140	3.05	30039	8691	25.0%
-0.3%	3010	17943	9.9	145	255	23252	4074	13.2%
38.9%	10972	64354	7.35	150	6.85	50891	9033	4.1%
51.3%	5505	28299	5.4	155	9.7	13530	1918	-10.1%
-5.6%	2885	8098	2.7	165	16.2	900	201	-6.1%
25.0%	1732	2775	1.35	175	23.9	0	8	0.0%

Level Playing Sheet

Commodity	Exch.	Expiry	Close	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	Trend	Conviction	Intraday Range
Castor Seed	NCDEX	Apr	6,028	5,969	5,998	6,050	6,079	6,131	Bearish	Moderate	5984 - 6065
Cocudakl	NCDEX	Apr	2,573	2,542	2,558	2,570	2,586	2,598	Bearish	Moderate	2564 - 2592
Cotton	NCDEX	May	61,580	61,233	61,407	61,653	61,827	62,073	Bearish	Moderate	61320 - 61740
Dhaniya	NCDEX	Apr	7,760	7,567	7,663	7,787	7,883	8,007	Bearish	Moderate	7615 - 7835
Jeera	NCDEX	Apr	24,440	23,677	24,058	24,432	24,813	25,187	Bearish	Moderate	24245 - 25000
Guar Seed	NCDEX	Apr	5,362	5,203	5,282	5,330	5,409	5,457	Bearish	Moderate	5306 - 5433
Guar Gum	NCDEX	Apr	10,664	10,275	10,469	10,585	10,779	10,895	Bearish	Moderate	10527 - 10837
Mentha Oil	MCX	Apr	907	893	900	912	919	932	Bearish	Moderate	896 - 916
Turmeric	NCDEX	Apr	16,816	16,348	16,582	16,766	17,000	17,184	Flat	Moderate	16674 - 17092

Commodity	Exch.	Expiry	Close	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	Trend	Conviction	Intraday Range
Gold	MCX	Apr	70189	68996	69592	70246	70842	71496	Bullish	Moderate	69919 - 71169
Gold Comex	Comex	Apr	2326	2246	2286	2307	2347	2368	Bullish	Low	2297 - 2358
Silver	MCX	May	80863	77776	79319	80175	81718	82574	Bullish	Moderate	79747 - 82146
Silver Comex	Comex	May	27.50	25.96	26.73	27.17	27.95	28.39	Bullish	Moderate	27 - 28
Crude	MCX	Apr	7284	7148	7216	7256	7324	7364	Bullish	Moderate	7236 - 7344
Crude Nymex	Nymex	May	86.10	84.97	85.54	86.18	86.75	87.39	Bullish	Moderate	86 - 87
Nat Gas	MCX	Apr	152	145	148	150	154	156	Bearish	Moderate	149 - 155
BullDex	MCX	Apr	17923	17449	17686	17809	18046	18169	Bullish	Moderate	17748 - 18108
Copper	MCX	Apr	801.40	790	796	800	805	809	Bullish	Low	798 - 807
Zinc	MCX	Mar	232.60	229	231	233	234	236	Bullish	Moderate	232 - 235
Lead	MCX	Apr	187	183	185	186	188	190	Bullish	Moderate	186 - 189
Aluminum	MCX	Mar	223.95	220	222	223	225	227	Bullish	Moderate	223 - 226

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