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Overview

- China manufacturing and services PMIs fell below expectations
- Oil prices rose on escalation in Middle East tensions
- Today, speech from Fed Powell will be in focus.

Precious Metals

Gold prices are heading for their best quarter in more than eight years, having hit a series of record highs in recent sessions as the start of U.S. monetary easing boosted the appeal of non-yielding bullion. The yellow metal has gained around 14% this quarter, its strongest performance since first quarter of 2016 and is up ~30% this year, the most in 14 years. The prospect of another 75bp this year has boosted investor demand for the precious metal. However, it gave back some of those gains late in the week after inflation data provided little evidence that the Fed needs to keep cutting aggressively. We also witnessed a delayed impact of better than expected US GDP data reported later last week at 3% v/s the prev. quarter of 1.6%. Geo-political tensions have picked up pace since last few weeks, as Israel's aggressive attacks has killed Hezbollah's several important senior leaders and civilians, increasing safe haven appeal for Gold and Silver. Focus today will be on the speech from Governor Powell, this week is also important, as we have US jobs market data scheduled on the calendar. Gold on domestic front could trade in a range between ₹74700-75700.

Precious metals	Close (\$)	%Chg.
Gold	2654.7	-0.1%
Silver	31.54	-0.3%
CFTC data	Speculative Longs	Change WoW
Gold	252628	25919
Silver	42312	15222
ETF	Close	%Chg.
GOLD ETF	1987.3	1.55
Silver ETF	26295	34.05
Others	Close	%Chg.
DXY	100.38	0.1%
US 10Y Yields	3.75	-1.1%

Base Metals

Aluminium prices in London rose, owing to fund purchasing prompted by China's new economic stimulus measures. Copper prices also rose following announcement that Beijing would allow home buyers to refinance their mortgages. Last week, People's Bank of China slashed banks' reserve requirement ratio by 50 basis points, the second such reduction this year which is expected to free up 1 trillion yuan in capital. Tightening supply and increased demand ahead of China's national holiday in the first week of October have also pushed up prices. The People's Bank of China reduced its one-year medium-term loan facility rate by 30 basis points, to 2%. These changes came after the US Federal Reserve dropped interest rates by 50 basis points earlier this month as part of efforts to orchestrate a soft landing, providing comfort other major central banks to loosen policy.

Energy

Oil prices traded positive after Israel said its military struck Hezbollah's main headquarters in southern Beirut, ramping up tensions in the Middle East. The geo political tension overshadowed the bearish news of a report that Saudi Arabia reported to be committed to higher production. Supply disruptions risk eased in Libya after Rival Libyan factions this week agreed to appoint a new central bank governor, a step toward resolving a dispute that has slashed oil output. On Chinese stimulus front, Stimulus measures is largely overlooked and the market is more focused on the immediate impact of increased supply. The potential demand boost from these stimulus efforts is likely to take longer to materialize. On OPEC meeting front, OPEC+ recently postponed planned output hikes from October to December, but the group might delay the hikes again because oil prices are so low. Concerns over demand and the strong growth of non-OPEC+ supply suggest the market will remain well supplied for the rest of the year, leaving little scope for OPEC+ to increase production. The easing backwardation in the oil curve further signals a further reduction in the tightness of the physical market.

Base Metals (MCX)	Close (Rs.)	%Chg.
Copper	849	1.5%
Aluminium	237 ^P	1.2%
Nickel	1405	0.1%
Lead	182	0.1%
Zinc	283	3.6%

Inventory		Current	W/W Chg.	Units
Copper	LME	302525	-525	MT
	Shanghai	140408	-24530	MT
Aluminum	LME	795450	-2575	MT
	Shanghai	279171	-7324	MT
Nickel	LME	130308	228	MT
	Shanghai	22638	368	MT
Lead	LME	200975	-1000	MT
	Shanghai	40779	-20225	MT
Zinc	LME	253250	-1800	MT
	Shanghai	80156	-5456	MT

Energy	Close (\$)	%Chg.
WTI Crude oil	68.60	-0.1%
Natural gas	2.90	10.9%

Inventory (EIA)	Current	W/W Chg.	Units
Crude oil	459.65	3.73	Mnbl
Gasoline	233.51	2.57	Mnbl
Distillate	123.37	0.88	Mnbl
Natural Gas	3.13	-0.21	bcf

CFTC data	Speculative Longs	Change WoW
Crude oil	161928	28703
Natural Gas	-14801	23163

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

Options Monitor

MCX Gold Mini

% Chg in OI	Call		Particulars			Put		% Chg in OI
	OI	Volume	Premium	Strike	Premium	Volume	OI	
-5.4%	365	102	2981.5	73000	202.5	2775	1484	-11.8%
0.0%	3	0	2571	73500	308.5	98	72	26.3%
11.2%	764	782	2205.5	74000	453.5	4291	2133	16.0%
-2.8%	35	52	1873	74500	639	327	135	28.6%
9.4%	1518	3123	1578.5	75000	871	6614	1484	5.0%
95.1%	160	544	1325.5	75500	1172	190	82	95.2%
20.9%	1745	3804	1108.5	76000	1457.5	984	286	22.7%
12.4%	190	160	932.5	76500	1518.5	0	0	0.0%
6.6%	1624	2247	764	77000	2165.5	21	8	-38.5%

MCX Crude Oil

% Chg in OI	Call		Particulars			Put		% Chg in OI
	OI	Volume	Premium	Strike	Premium	Volume	OI	
-0.2%	1061	10396	298.5	5500	119	91521	5052	7.8%
155.6%	115	2116	268.6	5550	136.4	23978	1067	46.8%
2.4%	2349	67235	240.9	5600	157.3	129209	4257	36.7%
43.0%	818	24496	214.7	5650	178.6	65790	1584	29.9%
-3.2%	8214	230937	190.1	5700	203	195343	5092	0.1%
12.1%	2714	51794	166.9	5750	228.1	24485	2093	1.5%
-12.2%	10870	129030	146.3	5800	255.1	56482	4501	-1.0%
-2.6%	3688	24895	129.2	5850	286.4	4960	2019	-0.9%
-21.0%	14425	86187	112.5	5900	319	13320	4481	-17.2%

MCX Natural Gas

% Chg in OI	Call		Particulars			Put		% Chg in OI
	OI	Volume	Premium	Strike	Premium	Volume	OI	
-32.0%	202	984	25.85	210	3.85	17251	4256	59.6%
-14.8%	952	7707	19.55	220	6.2	30132	4137	6.9%
-33.1%	1680	39166	14.35	230	9.5	49757	4995	60.7%
-34.4%	1463	31634	12.05	235	11.5	22648	1984	220.5%
-44.1%	2842	57762	10.3	240	255	35862	3829	27.0%
-19.2%	791	24389	8.65	245	16.4	8169	605	320.1%
-39.1%	3849	50527	7.2	250	19.25	5672	894	110.8%
-6.7%	1782	26199	5.1	260	25.75	132	124	85.1%
16.8%	2392	19375	3.6	270	33.35	104	54	-1.8%

Level Playing Sheet

Commodity	Exch.	Expiry	Close	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	Trend	Conviction	Intraday Range
Castor Seed	NCDEX	Oct	6,853	6,764	6,809	6,844	6,889	6,924	Bearish	Moderate	6827 - 6907
Cocudakl	NCDEX	Dec	3,039	3,010	3,025	3,039	3,054	3,068	Bearish	Moderate	3032 - 3061
Cotton	NCDEX	Nov	58,080	57,593	57,837	58,143	58,387	58,693	Bearish	Moderate	57990 - 58540
Dhaniya	NCDEX	Oct	7,354	7,266	7,310	7,350	7,394	7,434	Bearish	Moderate	7288 - 7372
Jeera	NCDEX	Oct	26,860	26,653	26,757	26,903	27,007	27,153	Bearish	Moderate	26830 - 27080
Guar Seed	NCDEX	Oct	5,741	5,649	5,695	5,737	5,783	5,825	Bearish	Moderate	5716 - 5804
Guar Gum	NCDEX	Oct	11,525	11,302	11,413	11,497	11,608	11,692	Bearish	Moderate	11455 - 11650
Mentha Oil	MCX	Oct	934	924	928.70	934	939	945	Bearish	Moderate	926 - 937
Turmeric	NCDEX	Oct	14,362	13,849	14,105	14,343	14,599	14,837	Bearish	Moderate	13977 - 14471

Commodity	Exch.	Expiry	Close	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	Trend	Conviction	Intraday Range
Gold	MCX	Oct	75718	75166	75442	75933	76209	76700	Bullish	Low	75304 - 76071
Gold Comex	Comex	Sept	2644	2622	2633	2653	2664	2683	Bearish	Moderate	2628 - 2658
Silver	MCX	Dec	91398	89933	90665	91957	92689	93981	Bearish	Moderate	90299 - 92323
Silver Comex	Comex	Oct	31.67	30.97	31.32	31.85	32.20	32.73	Bearish	Moderate	31 - 32
Crude	MCX	Oct	5694	5575	5634	5698	5757	5821	Bearish	Moderate	5666 - 5789
Crude Nymex	Nymex	Nov	67.67	65.91	66.79	67.46	68.34	69.01	Bearish	Moderate	67 - 69
Nat Gas	MCX	Sept	244	222	233	239	250	256	Bullish	Moderate	236 - 253
BullDex	MCX	Sept	18843	18661	18752	18892	18983	19123	Bullish	Low	18707 - 18938
Copper	MCX	Sept	856.25	849	853	859	863	869	Bullish	Moderate	851 - 861
Zinc	MCX	Sept	283.45	274	279	284	289	294	Bullish	Moderate	276 - 286
Lead	MCX	Sept	184	183	184	185	186	187	Bullish	Moderate	183 - 185
Aluminum	MCX	Sept	237.25	234	236	237	239	240	Bullish	High	235 - 238

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