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## Overview

- Dollar gained on better-than-expected services PMI data
- Oil prices set for weekly gains amidst Mid-East crisis
- Today, earnings data and unemployment rate from US will be important.

## Precious Metals

Gold prices continue to trade steady as safe-haven demand from escalating tensions in the Middle East offset pressure from a stronger dollar after investors toned down expectations of another big interest-rate cut from the U.S. Federal Reserve. Dollar index reversed from the low of ~ 100.30 and was hovering around 101.80. Israel's military urged residents of over 20 southern Lebanese towns to evacuate immediately amid an ongoing incursion following its worst losses in a year of fighting Hezbollah. Richmond Fed president Barkin said that the U.S. central bank's fight to return inflation to its 2% target may take longer than expected, limiting how far interest rates can be cut. Traders watered down their bets for a 50-basis-point rate cut in November to 33% from 49% last week. On data front, the number of Americans filing for unemployment benefits saw a modest increase of 6,000 to a seasonally adjusted total of 225,000, last week. After better than expected private payroll data, focus now shifts to US non-farm payroll data which could provide clarity fed interest rates stance ahead. Gold on domestic front could trade in a range between ₹75,500-76,500.

Precious metals	Close (\$)	%Chg.
Gold	2662.1	0.2%
Silver	32.19	0.4%
CFTC data	Speculative Longs	Change WoW
Gold	254841	2213
Silver	46088	3776
ETF	Close	%Chg.
GOLD ETF	1998.2	1.35
Silver ETF	26150	-55.32
Others	Close	%Chg.
DXY	101.99	-0.1%
US 10Y Yields	3.84	1.7%

## Base Metals

Copper prices inched lower, weighed down by geopolitical tensions, a strong dollar, and concerns about how fast China's stimulus measures will effect physical demand. Base metals extended their losses in the European afternoon after the dollar index gained in response to data showing that US service sector activity increased to a 1-1/2-year high. The strong dollar increases the cost of commodities priced in US dollars for buyers using foreign currencies. Conflict flared in the Middle East as Israel continued to attack Lebanon, and Iran's president stood firm after his country fired missiles into Israel. Over the past two weeks, China loosened homebuyer requirements and attempted to decrease mortgage rates to boost the struggling real estate sector, foreshadowing a possible resurgence in demand for construction commodities such as copper along with reduction in the RRR. China markets remain shut this week on account of national holidays.

## Energy

Oil surged by as the market braced for the possibility that Israel's retaliation against Iran for its recent missile barrage will include strikes on the country's oil infrastructure. Market participants are starting to price in the likelihood of supply disruptions in the Middle East. A major strike by Israel on Iran's export capacity could take 1.5 mbpd supply off the market. If Israel struck minor infrastructure, such as downstream assets, 300,000 to 450,000 barrels of output could be lost. The move could be extended if investors start building bullish positions in oil. Beyond the crises, there are signs of ample supplies. OPEC member Libya resumed oil production on Thursday after an internal political standoff eased. The nation's eastern government is now allowing all fields and export terminals to resume operations. The North African nation typically produces more than 1.2mb/d, but a halt to output reduced that to 450 kb/d. Natural prices settled moderately higher after weekly gas stockpiles rose less than expected. EIA nat-gas inventories for the week ended September 27 rose +55 bcf, below expectations of +62 bcf.

Base Metals (MCX)	Close (Rs.)	%Chg.
Copper	853	0.0%
Aluminium	2410	0.7%
Nickel	1476	2.7%
Lead	186	0.8%
Zinc	284	0.3%

Inventory		Current	W/W Chg.	Units
Copper	LME	298100	-2175	MT
	Shanghai	141625	1217	MT
Aluminum	LME	785450	-2500	MT
	Shanghai	280565	1394	MT
Nickel	LME	131088	-90	MT
	Shanghai	22644	6	MT
Lead	LME	199125	0	MT
	Shanghai	40779	0	MT
Zinc	LME	247075	-1675	MT
	Shanghai	79980	-176	MT

Energy	Close (\$)	%Chg.
WTI Crude oil	73.84	-0.2%
Natural gas	2.97	2.8%

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	
0.0%	3	0	2602	73500	169	227	162	30.6%
-5.1%	591	423	2293	74000	253	2409	2082	-2.1%
-9.1%	30	17	1954.5	74500	394.5	456	167	-22.7%
6.7%	1395	3615	1576.5	75000	549.5	6953	2237	-5.1%
43.3%	255	1499	1276	<b>75500</b>	762	790	133	-12.5%
-8.5%	1713	11222	1029.5	76000	1007	2450	496	-29.5%
29.9%	317	787	830.5	76500	1073.5	0	0	0.0%
41.5%	2483	9030	663	77000	1595	130	115	27.8%
2.5%	248	432	491	77500	1802	0	0	0.0%

## MCX Crude Oil

% Chg in OI	Call		Particulars			Put		% Chg in OI
	OI	Volume	Premium	Strike	Premium	Volume	OI	
-26.2%	5128	82359	217.7	5900	128.8	185115	8615	22.6%
-19.4%	2128	34445	195.3	5950	150	53948	1987	138.5%
-36.2%	8224	235329	175.4	6000	172	191878	7233	74.2%
-53.1%	962	59130	159.2	6050	196.8	31135	993	357.6%
-3.2%	6298	178274	138.8	<b>6100</b>	222.4	78181	4166	383.3%
-9.1%	1764	55891	121.5	6150	251.5	16265	493	369.5%
15.0%	6666	157916	108.8	6200	281.7	36788	1455	209.6%
4.1%	968	26764	96.2	6250	312.9	1661	91	237.0%
2.7%	3477	101709	85.3	6300	345	6585	511	164.8%

## MCX Natural Gas

% Chg in OI	Call		Particulars			Put		% Chg in OI
	OI	Volume	Premium	Strike	Premium	Volume	OI	
-12.3%	164	77	37.3	210	2.3	7934	4930	16.8%
-1.9%	829	344	29.05	220	3.95	16609	4635	9.4%
-17.4%	1143	4704	21.95	230	6.5	21368	4779	1.6%
-28.4%	667	4751	19.1	235	8.15	15985	2122	25.5%
-19.6%	2914	31695	16.25	<b>240</b>	255	38004	4793	26.5%
-15.1%	1689	33907	13.9	245	12.5	26794	2296	174.6%
0.9%	4363	59576	11.75	250	15	29838	2432	179.5%
12.5%	5931	40210	8.25	260	20.95	4525	544	150.7%
6.0%	3126	19365	5.85	270	28	128	83	97.6%

## Level Playing Sheet

Commodity	Exch.	Expiry	Close	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	Trend	Conviction	Intraday Range
<b>Castor Seed</b>	NCDEX	Oct	6,891	6,729	6,810	6,913	6,994	7,097	Bearish	High	6770 - 6954
<b>Cocudakl</b>	NCDEX	Dec	2,928	2,897	2,912	2,936	2,951	2,975	Bearish	Moderate	2905 - 2944
<b>Cotton</b>	NCDEX	Nov	57,460	57,367	57,413	57,457	57,503	57,547	Bearish	Moderate	57435 - 57525
<b>Dhaniya</b>	NCDEX	Oct	7,264	7,148	7,206	7,308	7,366	7,468	Bearish	Moderate	7177 - 7337
<b>Jeera</b>	NCDEX	Oct	26,405	26,012	26,208	26,352	26,548	26,692	Bearish	Moderate	26280 - 26620
<b>Guar Seed</b>	NCDEX	Oct	5,535	5,352	5,443	5,597	5,688	5,842	Bearish	Moderate	5398 - 5643
<b>Guar Gum</b>	NCDEX	Oct	11,215	10,770	10,992	11,375	11,597	11,980	Bearish	Moderate	10881 - 11486
<b>Mentha Oil</b>	MCX	Oct	925	920	922.33	927	930	935	Bearish	Moderate	921 - 929
<b>Turmeric</b>	NCDEX	Oct	13,654	13,371	13,513	13,631	13,773	13,891	Bearish	Moderate	13572 - 13832

Commodity	Exch.	Expiry	Close	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	Trend	Conviction	Intraday Range
<b>Gold</b>	MCX	Oct	76244	75612	75928	76149	76465	76686	Bullish	Low	76039 - 76576
<b>Gold Comex</b>	Comex	Sept	2657	2639	2648	2649	2658	2659	Bullish	Moderate	2649 - 2659
<b>Silver</b>	MCX	Dec	92978	90773	91875	92548	93650	94323	Bullish	High	92212 - 93987
<b>Silver Comex</b>	Comex	Oct	32.31	31.52	31.91	32.12	32.51	32.72	Bullish	Moderate	32 - 33
<b>Crude</b>	MCX	Oct	6161	5828	5994	6103	6269	6378	Bullish	High	6049 - 6324
<b>Crude Nymex</b>	Nymex	Nov	73.17	68.82	71.00	72.25	74.43	75.68	Bullish	High	72 - 75
<b>Nat Gas</b>	MCX	Sept	249	241	245	248	252	255	Bullish	Moderate	247 - 254
<b>BullDex</b>	MCX	Sept	19018	18792	18905	18998	19111	19204	Bullish	Moderate	18952 - 19158
<b>Copper</b>	MCX	Sept	852.60	838	845	856	864	875	Bullish	Low	842 - 860
<b>Zinc</b>	MCX	Sept	283.95	278	281	285	288	292	Bullish	Moderate	280 - 287
<b>Lead</b>	MCX	Sept	186	183	184	186	187	189	Strong	Moderate	183 - 186
<b>Aluminum</b>	MCX	Sept	240.65	234	237	241	244	248	Bullish	High	236 - 243

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