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Overview

- Market participants continue assess Trump's policies
- President raised the prospect of 10% tariffs on China and 25% tariffs on Canada and Mexico.

Precious Metals

Gold pushed higher amid the uncertainty surrounding Trump's tariff plans. The precious metal hit a three-month high in yesterday's session and close to an all-time high on domestic front as its appeal as a haven asset grew. This rise in Gold yesterday was despite a stronger dollar which witnessed a bounce after hitting ~107.90 mark. Today however, in the early morning session the effects of rising dollar along with some profit booking is being witnessed. President Trump said his administration was discussing imposing a 10% tariff on goods imported from China on Feb. 1, the same day that he previously said Mexico and Canada could face levies of around 25%. Trump has not provided many details about his proposed tariffs, making investors question the aggressiveness of the move and the depth of its potential impacts. After the release of three hostages from Gaza to Israel there has been no major update on ceasefire or escalation in the war; there have been no development seen in between Russia-Ukraine tussle as well, keeping market participants on edge. Focus today will be on weekly jobless claims from US and speech from President Trump. Gold, on domestic front, could trade in a range of ₹79,000 and 80,000.

Precious metals	Close (\$)	%Chg.
Gold	2752.6	-0.1%
Silver	30.66	-0.4%
CFTC data	Speculative Longs	Change WoW
Gold	212494	17995
Silver	28803	3194
ETF	Close	%Chg.
GOLD ETF	2020.5	21.93
Silver ETF	25902	-155.79
Others	Close	%Chg.
DXY	108.06	0.0%
US 10Y Yields	4.60	-0.8%

Base Metals

Base metal prices fell on Tuesday as the risk of possible trade wars hurting current trade flows resurfaced after President Donald Trump suggested the United States could impose a 25% tariff on imports from Canada and Mexico from Feb. 1. Copper and aluminum hit their highest since Dec. 11 and Nov. 25, respectively, as Trump in his inauguration address neither immediately imposed import tariffs nor targeted trade with top metals consumer China. The relief, however, was short-lived as Trump later said he was thinking about imposing 25% duties on imports from Canada and Mexico on Feb. 1. and possibly a 10% tariff hike on China. Nickel and other base metals also fell after the Trump administration announced it would remove subsidies and rebates used to encourage the purchases of electric vehicles in the US. Indonesia said it would require exporters to hold all proceeds onshore for at least a year to support the local currency, putting additional pressure on Nickel. Dollar index had fallen by more than 100 bps to a three-week low at the start of this week, however a sharp rebound was witnessed in the yesterday's session, weighing on base metal prices.

Base Metals (MCX)	Close (Rs.)	%Chg.
Copper	831	0.2%
Aluminium	₂₅₅ p	-0.1%
Nickel	1399	1.2%
Lead	178	0.4%
Zinc	275	-0.8%

Daily LME In	ventory	Current	W/W Chg.	Units
Copper	LME	260400	-125	MT
	Shanghai	88796	10118	MT
Aluminum	LME	600175	-4100	MT
	Shanghai	178474	-3694	MT
Nickel	LME	172206	1992	MT
	Shanghai	28394	-31	MT
Lead	LME	229425	-1800	MT
	Shanghai	43503	-1351	MT
Zinc	LME	192950	-2175	MT
ZIIIC	Shanghai	21040	-294	MT

Energy

Oil edged lower after President Donald Trump threatened tariffs on China and the European Union, while traders continued to assess the fallout from unprecedented US sanctions on Russia. The possibility of tariffs on Canadian oil already is pushing a flood of crude out of the country to the US to beat potential levies. Still, the Canada tariffs would result in higher gasoline costs for American consumers. Prices got further pressure Data from API showed that inventories grew 1 million barrels after five straight weeks of draws. The API data usually heralds a similar trend from official inventory data, which is due later today. For natural gas, forecast suggest inventories likely turned to a small deficit last week against the five-year average as extreme cold at the start of the year drove up demand and led some production to be frozen in. Natural gas in underground storage expected to have fallen by 244Bcft to 2,864 Bcf. Estimates range from a withdrawal of 233 Bcf to a withdrawal of 300 Bcf. Focus today will also be on weekly jobless claims from US and speech from President Trump.

Energy	Close (\$)	%Chg.
WTI Crude oil	75.27	-0.2%
Natural gas	4.02	5.2%

Inventory (EIA)	Current	W/W Chg.	Units
Crude oil	412.68	-1.96	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	230692	-15670
Natural Gas	55482	33999

 $\label{eq:MT-Metric Ton, MNBL-Million Barrel, BCF-Billion Cubic Feet.}$

Options Monitor

MCX Gold Mini

	Call			Particulars		P	ut	
% Chg in OI	OI	Volume	Premium	Strike	Premium	Volume	OI	% Chg in OI
-1.8%	110	28	1784.5	77500	22.5	2984	904	16.6%
-48.4%	605	1140	1272	78000	37.5	9660	2846	10.6%
-20.7%	288	721	882	78500	85.5	4886	1032	31.3%
-33.1%	1359	9253	578.5	79000	204.5	17572	2960	50.6%
150.2%	1086	11733	350	79500	405.5	8474	791	410.3%
18.0%	2128	15950	197.5	80000	692.5	3103	377	134.2%
285.0%	462	2983	103.5	80500	1062	11	11	0.0%
18.6%	1369	4607	56.5	81000	1487.5	0	0	0.0%
0.0%	0	0	5	81500	1969.5	0	0	0.0%

MCX Crude Oil

	Call			Particulars		P	ut	
% Chg in OI	OI	Volume	Premium	Strike	Premium	Volume	OI	% Chg in OI
13.0%	78	318	361.1	6350	117.2	11644	331	15.3%
7.6%	313	6263	311.6	6400	134.5	49265	2042	-8.6%
117.7%	209	4763	283.4	6450	153.9	21918	946	58.2%
45.6%	2273	52681	254.8	6500	175.6	131840	5633	40.0%
111.9%	1320	40784	229.2	6550	199.3	56770	1592	21.3%
46.8%	4998	136146	206.2	6600	224.9	113175	4325	1.2%
74.1%	1936	30923	183.7	6650	252.6	12885	815	-8.1%
5.1%	5125	72192	164.2	6700	282.3	21962	2587	6.8%
-6.9%	1159	16486	146.2	6750	316.5	1508	203	-4.2%

MCX Natural Gas

	Call			Particulars		Pu	t	
% Chg in OI	OI	Volume	Premium	Strike	Premium	Volume	OI	% Chg in OI
-33.6%	1642	77133	12.5	320	1.95	134558	7327	62.9%
-38.2%	3698	162419	7.9	330	4.4	141992	6190	28.5%
-23.5%	4450	120544	4.85	340	8.75	57712	3268	51.2%
-4.3%	1770	58379	3.75	345	11.65	13035	497	62.4%
-24.9%	4917	77120	2.9	350	255	9863	2175	-7.4%
-13.5%	2130	24616	2.25	355	18.55	1510	293	0.0%
-23.7%	4863	35500	1.75	360	22.8	1226	416	-31.4%
-25.5%	4686	22593	0.95	370	31.65	205	249	-30.8%
-14.6%	2829	13102	0.55	380	42.95	160	83	-61.4%

Level Playing Sheet

Commodity	Exch.	Expiry	Close	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	Trend	Conviction	Intraday Range
Castor Seed	NCDEX	Feb	6,510	6,446	6,478	6,497	6,529	6,548	Bearish	Moderate	6488 - 6539
Cocudakl	NCDEX	Feb	2,768	2,752	2,760	2,771	2,779	2,790	Bearish	Moderate	2766 - 2785
Cotton	NCDEX	Jan	54,500	54,367	54,433	54,517	54,583	54,667	Bearish	Moderate	54400 - 54550
Dhaniya	NCDEX	Apr	8,610	8,539	8,575	8,607	8,643	8,675	Bearish	Moderate	8557 - 8625
Jeera	NCDEX	Jan	22,625	22,355	22,490	22,585	22,720	22,815	Bearish	Moderate	22538 - 22768
Guar Seed	NCDEX	Feb	5,506	5,462	5,484	5,503	5,525	5,544	Bearish	Moderate	5494 - 5535
Guar Gum	NCDEX	Feb	10,641	10,560	10,601	10,640	10,681	10,720	Bearish	Moderate	10621 - 10701
Mentha Oil	MCX	Jan	930	919	924.33	931	936	943	Bearish	Moderate	922 - 934
Turmeric	NCDEX	Apr	14,300	14,119	14,209	14,325	14,415	14,531	Flat	Moderate	14164 - 14370

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Gold	MCX	Feb	79564	79153	79359	79497	79703	79841	Bullish	Moderate	79428 - 79772
Gold Comex	Comex	Jan	2768	2748	2758	2763	2773	2779	Bullish	High	2761 - 2776
Silver	MCX	Mar	91944	90681	91313	91931	92563	93181	Bearish	Moderate	90997 - 92247
Silver Comex	Comex	Feb	31.29	30.77	31.03	31.28	31.54	31.79	Bearish	Moderate	31 - 31
Crude	MCX	Jan	6561	6478	6519	6567	6608	6656	Bearish	Moderate	6499 - 6588
Crude Nymex	Nymex	Feb	74.69	73.92	74.31	74.92	75.31	75.92	Bearish	Moderate	74 - 75
Nat Gas	MCX	Jan	340	314	327	334	347	355	Bullish	High	331 - 351
BullDex	MCX	Jan	19269	19216	19243	19279	19306	19342	Bullish	Low	19230 - 19293
Copper	MCX	Jan	831.20	826	829	831	834	836	Bearish	Moderate	828 - 833
Zinc	MCX	Jan	275.15	272	274	275	277	279	Bearish	Moderate	273 - 276
Lead	MCX	Jan	178	176	177	178	179	180	Strong	Moderate	177 - 179
Aluminum	MCX	Jan	255.25	253	254	255	257	258	Bullish	Moderate	253 - 256

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