

### Commodity Research - Metals & Energy

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Commodity	High	Low	Close	Chg	% Chg
COMEX PRECIOUS METALS					
Gold (\$/toz)	2956.5	2887.6	2949.0	48.3	1.67
Silver (\$/toz)	33.475	32.460	33.373	0.52	1.58
MCX PRECIOUS METALS					
Gold (Rs/10 gram)	86140	85200	86113	1058.0	1.24
Silver (Rs/kg)	96975	95680	96848	1268.0	1.33
ENERGY					
Brent Crude oil (\$/bbl)	76.1	74.9	75.8	0.62	0.82
WTI Crude oil (\$/bbl)	72.1	70.1	71.9	1.11	1.57
NYMEX NG (\$/MMBtu)	4.017	3.554	4.007	0.28	7.57
MCX ENERGY					
Crude oil (Rs/bbl)	6272.0	6173.0	6233.0	35.0	0.56
Natural Gas (Rs/MMBtu)	340.4	309.5	339.0	26.7	8.55
LME BASE METALS (\$/tonne)					
Copper	9485.0	9361.0	9472.0	76.5	0.81
Aluminium	2674.5	2627.0	2668.5	23.5	0.89
Lead	1998.0	1980.0	1996.5	5.0	0.25
Zinc	2895.5	2854.0	2884.0	11.5	0.40
MCX BASE METALS (Rs/kg)					
Copper	868.9	860.5	868.4	3.6	0.41
Aluminium	262.7	258.1	262.0	3.6	1.37
Lead	180.0	179.2	179.8	0.3	0.17
Zinc	270.3	268.1	270.1	1.9	0.69
	CU	RRENCIES			
Dollar Index	107.1	106.8	107.1	0.3	0.45
Euro/USD	1.049	1.044	1.045	0.0	-0.36
GBP/USD	1.263	1.258	1.261	0.0	-0.10
USD/YEN	152.2	151.2	152.1	0.6	0.36
USD/INR	87.0	86.9	86.9	0.1	0.08
Source: Bloomberg					

MCX SPREAD MONITOR (M2-M1)					
Commodity	Current	Previous	Trend		
Gold (Rs/10gm)	762	801	Narrowing		
Silver (Rs/kg)	1794	1873	Narrowing		
Copper (Rs/kg)	2.8	1.4	Widening		
Aluminium (Rs/kg)	-1.6	-1.4	Widening		
Lead (Rs/kg)	1.9	2.2	Narrowing		
Zinc (Rs/kg)	2.4	2.8	Narrowing		
Crude (Rs/bbl)	14	14			
NG (Rs/mmBtu)	-0.1	0.4	Narrowing		
Gold Silver Ratio	89.3	89.6	Narrowing		
Crude/NG Ratio	18.4	19.8	Narrowing		

**Bullion** - Comex Gold futures surged over 1.70% to a record high of \$2,949 per ounce, driven by investor concerns over U.S. policy shifts and robust central bank buying. Silver also advanced 1.60%, settling near \$33.375 per ounce, it's highest since October 2024. Trump announced plans on Tuesday to impose 25% auto tariffs, along with duties on semiconductors and pharmaceutical imports, escalating trade tensions. Meanwhile, initial U.S.-Russia discussions on a Ukraine peace deal concluded without a scheduled Trump-Putin meeting, adding uncertainty. San Francisco Fed President Daly emphasized the need for restrictive monetary policy to ensure continued inflation control. Today, Gold id trading steady below \$2,950 per ounce as the US floated the possibility of lifting sanctions on Russia amid diplomatic talks, alarming Europe and Kyiv. Investors now turn to January's FOMC monetary policy decision and key housing data for further market direction.

Crude Oil — WTI crude surged above \$72 per barrel yesterday, marking its second consecutive session of gains, driven by concerns over supply disruptions triggered by a drone attack on a key Russian oil pipeline that transports about 1% of the global crude supply. Russia's Deputy Prime Minister Alexander Novak confirmed that CPC oil pumping volumes have dropped by 30-40% following the attack. Additionally, the market is considering reports suggesting that OPEC+ members are contemplating a delay in restoring output. However, the price rise was capped, with crude closing near \$71.50 per barrel, as the US and Russia agreed to continue discussions aimed at finding a path to resolve the war in Ukraine, although no date was set for a summit. Today, crude prices are trading near \$72 per barrel on the possible postponement of OPEC+ supply increases and uncertainty around flows from Russia.

**Natural Gas** - Nymex Henry Hub gas futures saw a sharp rebound of 8.55% on Tuesday, as forecasts shifted significantly colder for the central and eastern parts of US, signaling demand for heating fuel.

Base metals – Base metals closed higher, with copper and aluminium posting nearly a percent gain. LME copper settled at \$9,472/ton, driven by supply concerns as Freeport Indonesia's mine operates at 40% capacity due to export restrictions. On the other hand, aluminum neared a one-month high amid tightening supply growth and stronger demand for manufactured goods. Meanwhile, Trump's 25% tariffs on steel and aluminum have widened the US-LME price gap, with copper also under scrutiny. Additionally, proposed tariffs on autos, semiconductors, and pharmaceuticals add further uncertainty to the broader metals market. Given these additional tariffs along with supply concerns might keep LME base metals prices elevated.

Source: Bloomberg

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