METALS & ENERGY

Market Overview

Currencies	Close	Previous Close	% Change
Dollar Index	106.21	106.04	0.16%
Euro/USD	1.062	1.064	-0.18%
GBP/USD	1.245	1.245	-0.05%
USD/YEN	154.28	153.23	0.69%
USD/INR	83.45	83.42	0.04%

Source: Bloomberg

Global	Indices	Close	Previous Close	% Change
D.	JIA	37,735.11	37,983.24	-0.65%
FTSE	100	7,965.53	7,995.58	-0.38%
Nik	kei	39,232.80	39,523.55	-0.74%
Nift	y 50	22,272.50	22,519.40	-1.10%
Shar	nghai	3,057.38	3,019.47	1.26%

Source: Bloomberg

COMEX Gold holds gains and trades near \$2400/oz buoyed by buying amid fears of a potential counterstrike from Israel that risks starting a full-blown war between the two Middle Eastern powers

WTI crude surged above \$86/bbl on elevated tensions in the Middle East as Israel vowed to respond to an unprecedented attack by Iran

Top Israeli military officials said their country had no choice but to respond to Tehran's weekend strike, even as European and US officials called for restraint (Bloomberg)

LME base metals edged lower as mixed economic data from China indicates an uneven momentum and adds to need for stimulus measures

Data released by the National Bureau of Statistics showed Gross domestic product increased 5.3% in the January-to-March period from a year earlier, higher than the median estimate of 4.8% in a Bloomberg survey of economists, while growth in industrial production and retail sales was slower than expected

Today, Germany ZEW survey expectations, US housing starts, industrial production will be in focus

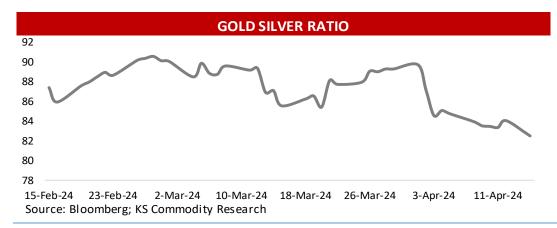
Data and Events due today (Source: Forex factory)

	IST	Currency	Data	Forecast	Previous	Importance
16-Apr-24	18:00	USD	Building Permits	1.51M	1.52M	Medium
	18:00	USD	Housing Starts	1.48M	1.52M	Low
	18:30	USD	FOMC Member Jefferson Speaks			Low
	18:45	USD	Industrial Production m/m	Industrial Production m/m 0.4% 0.1%		Medium
	22:30	USD	FOMC Member Barkin Speaks			Medium
	22:45	USD	Fed Chair Powell Speaks			High

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Gold – COMEX Gold prices pared early losses and closed higher on Monday amid possible escalation in the geo-political tensions after Israeli war cabinet approved a retaliation for an Iranian drone and missile strike during the weekend. Prices declined earlier after the US Retail sales data surprised on the upside, rising 0.7% m/m in March, following an upwardly revised 0.9% gain in February and much higher than forecasts of 0.3%, suggesting consumer spending remains robust. Meanwhile, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco President Mary Daly reiterated there's no urgency to adjust interest rates, pointing to solid economic growth, a strong labor market and still-elevated inflation, while Federal Reserve Bank of New York President John Williams said the central bank will likely start lowering interest rates this year if inflation continues to gradually come down. Market sentiment now anticipates the Fed to start lowering borrowing costs in September, instead of June, with expectations of only two rate reductions this year instead of three. Gold prices rose above \$2400 per troy ounce in early Asian trading amid a rise in geo-political risk premium amid fears over a potential retaliation by Israel which might lead to a regional conflict.

Silver - COMEX Silver prices also pared early gains and closed higher on Monday, rising by more than 3%, amid an uptick in gold prices, tracking geo-political risks. Heightened tensions probably outweighed better than expected US economic data and prospects of higher fed funds rate in the near term. Even though China released a mixed set of economic data earlier today, bullions might benefit from safe haven buying after Israel said they have no choice but to respond to Iran.



COMEX as on 15-Apr-24									
Gold (US dollar per troy ounce)									
Contract	High	Low	Close	Change	% Change				
Jun	2404.3	2340.2	2383.0	8.9	0.37%				
Aug	2426.1	2362.3	2405.1	8.8	0.37%				
Silver (US do	llar per tro	y ounce)							
May	28.98	27.67	28.72	0.39	1.4%				
Jul	29.26	27.94	28.99	0.39	1.3%				
		MCX as on	15-Apr-24						
Gold (Rupee	s per 10 gra	ms)							
Jun	72366	71200	72277	434	0.6%				
Aug	72572	71400	72451	380	0.5%				
Silver (Rupe	es per kilog	ram)							
May	84024	82798	83851	1038	1.3%				
Jul	85546	84500	85368	1014	1.2%				
MCX Bullion	Index (poir	nts)							
Apr	18422	18174	18403	109	0.6%				

Source: MCX; Bloomberg

Volume and OI Analysis (MCX)									
Gold	Vol (lots)	Change (%)		OI (lots)	Change (%)				
Jun	10531	-25.3	Jun	22291	-2.0				
Aug	651	-49.5	Aug	3786	3.8				
Silver									
May	21047	-44.4	May	25787	-0.7				
Jul	3346	-34.0	Jul	6088	6.4				

Source: MCX; Bloomberg

MCX Spread Matrix (Regular 1 KG)								
Gold	Jun	Aug	Oct	Dec				
Jun	0	-174	-263	-250				
Aug			-89	-76				
Oct				13				
Dec				0				

Source: MCX; KS Commodity Research

MCX Spread Matrix (Regular 30 KG)									
Silver	May	Jul	Sep	Dec					
May	0	-1517	-2689	-4245					
Jul			-1172	-2728					
Sep				-1556					
Dec				0					

Source: MCX; KS Commodity Research

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April 15, 2024								
MCX India (Rs/kg)								
Commodity	Contract	High	Low	Close	Change	% Change		
Aluminium	Apr	238.15	230.35	232.45	6.00	2.65%		
Copper	Apr	834.30	820.15	831.30	10.75	1.31%		
Lead	Apr	189.10	187.15	188.60	0.70	0.37%		
Nickel	Apr	1520.80	1520.80	1520.80	-27.80	-1.80%		
Zinc	Apr	249.25	239.40	244.75	-1.45	-0.59%		

Source - Bloomberg

LME (USD/tonne)							
Commodity	Contract	High	Low	Close	Change	% Change	
Aluminium	3 Month	2728.0	2535.0	2555.0	61.00	2.45%	
Copper	3 Month	9640.5	9415.5	9576.0	118.50	1.25%	
Lead	3 Month	2198.0	2153.5	2185.0	8.50	0.39%	
Nickel	3 Month	19355.0	17650.0	17846.0	49.00	0.28%	
Zinc	3 Month	2897.0	2711.0	2774.5	-54.00	-1.91%	

Source - Bloomberg

LME Inventories						
Commodity	Opening Stocks	Closing Stocks	Net Change	On Warrnats	Total Cancel Warrants (C/W)	C/W Ratio*
Aluminium	523100	521600	-1500	324500	197100	37.79%
Copper	124425	123475	-950	104950	18525	15.00%
Lead	271525	271525	0	183900	87625	32.27%
Nickel	75516	75534	18	68592	6942	9.19%
Zinc	258475	258475	0	222800	35675	13.80%

Source - Bloomberg

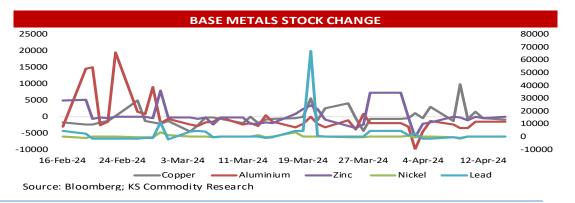
*C/W- Cancelled Warrants

LME Cash to 3 month spread (USD/tonne)							
Commodity	Close	PCP	Change				
Aluminium	13.15	-45.94	59.09				
Copper	-76.53	-124.30	47.77				
Lead	-29.40	-28.09	-1.31				
Nickel	-174.66	-169.39	-5.27				
Zinc	-19.88	4.46	-24.34				

Source - Bloomberg

Metals – LME base metals except Zinc extended gains yesterday after the US and UK imposed new restrictions on trading Russian aluminum, copper and nickel starting April 13. LME Copper jumped above \$9600/tonne on Monday boosted by bets that ban on newly produced Russian aluminum, copper and nickel may reduce Russian flows to Western markets and drive Chinese imports even higher. The Amended Sanctions Package enables the LME, LME Clear, UK Members and UK Clients to continue to "acquire" Russian Warrants (including the issuance, creation and holding of such warrants and rights in such metal in accordance with the rules of the LME) as long as the Relevant Metal was produced before 13 April 2024. Russian metal already accounted for 91% of LME aluminum stockpiles at the end of March, 62% of copper and 36% of nickel. LME Aluminium surged as much as 9% earlier in the session to \$2728/tonne, highest since June 2022, but pulled back sharply to close the session only 2.5% higher at \$2555/tonne as the latest curbs don't prevent Russia from selling its metals to buyers outside the US or UK, thereby limiting its impact on the global trade. LME Zinc fell 2%, easing after two consecutive weeks of 8% gains, as markets now await signs of uptick in demand from construction and manufacturing sector in China.

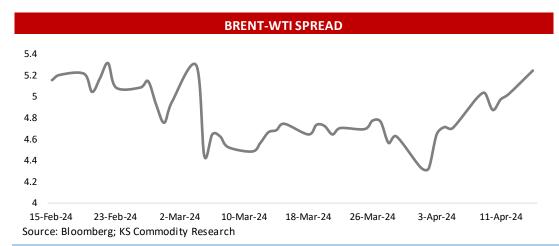
Today, LME base metals edged lower as mixed economic data from China indicates an uneven momentum and adds to need for stimulus measures. Data released by the National Bureau of Statistics showed GDP increased 5.3% in the January-to-March period from a year earlier, higher than the median estimate of 4.8% in a Bloomberg survey of economists, while growth in industrial production and retail sales was slower than expected. Also, elevated dollar and hardening treasury yields following stronger than expected US retail sales, further adds to bets that the Fed will wait longer before starting to cut interest rates.



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Crude Oil - WTI Crude oil futures pared early losses and closed marginally higher on Monday, as Israel vowed to respond to an unprecedented attack by Iran, keeping tensions elevated in the Middle East. Top Israeli military officials said their country had no choice but to respond to Tehran's weekend strike, even as European and US officials called for restraint. This escalates tensions in a region that produces about a third of the world's crude. Shipping risks have also increased after Iran seized a vessel near the key Strait of Hormuz (used for more than 20% of world's oil supply) shortly before the strikes against Israel. On the demand side, investors gauged robust US retail sales data and mixed Chinese economic data. Oil prices rose in early Asian trading amid a rise in risk premium as investors eye Israeli response and how the conflict escalates. Timespreads remain elevated, pointing to tight market conditions.

Natural Gas - NYMEX Henry Hub gas prices declined on Monday as forecast shifted warmer in southern and eastern US. At the same time, LNG exports dropped towards 11 bcfd, down 14.5% w/w, as gas supply to Cheniere's Corpus Christi LNG export plant in Texas fell further on Monday, as repairs continue on related pipeline work. According to Commodity weather group, forecast is trending warmer across much of the south and east of the country for 20-24th April. European natural gas prices advanced further as traders awaited Israel's response to Iran's attack over the weekend. Almost 20% of global LNG supplies pass through Strait of Hormuz and any escalation in conflict between Iran and Israel might lead to higher gas prices in Europe. However, the impact on US gas prices might be limited.



CRUDE OIL							
MCX Crude Oil (Rs/barrel) as 15-Apr							
Contract	High	Low	Close	Change	% Change		
Apr	7166	7029	7115	-72	-1.0		
May	7115	6995	7085	-68	-1.0		
NYMEX V	VTI Crude	Oil (USD/k	parrel)				
May	86.11	84.05	85.41	-0.25	-0.3		
Jun	85.5	83.49	84.86	-0.22	-0.3		
ICE Bren	nt Crude O	il (USD/bar	rel)				
Jun	91.05	88.73	90.1	-0.35	-0.4		
Jul	90.06	87.92	89.25	-0.28	-0.3		
NYMEX	Heating O	il (USD cen	ts/gallon)				
May	271.08	261.62	265.42	-3.09	-1.2		
Jun	270.74	261.98	265.8	-2.66	-1.0		
NYMEX	Gasoline ((USD cents	/gallon)				
May	282.23	274.19	278.39	-1.90	-0.7		
Jun	279.68	271.98	275.97	-1.64	-0.6		
Spread (U	SD/barrel)		Close	Prev.	% Change		
ICE Brent-	NYMEX W	TI	5.24	5.37	-0.13		
NYMEX 3-2	2-1 Crack S	pread	29.70	30.41	-0.71		
Source: M	CX;Bloomb	oerg					

NATURAL GAS									
MCX Natural Gas (Rs/mmBtu)									
Contract	High	Low	Close	Change	% Change				
Apr	149.2	141	141.3	-7.20	-4.8				
May	170.6 162.8		163.1	-6.80	-4.0				
NYMEX Natural Gas (USD/mmBtu)									
May	1.792	1.678	1.691	-0.08	-4.5				
Jun	2.052	1.931	1.946	-0.08	-4.1				
Spread/Ra	tio		Close	Prev.	% Change				
WTI-Natga	s Ratio		50.51	48.40	2.11				
MCX WTI-N	Natgas Rat	io	50.35	48.40	1.96				
Source: MCX;Bloomberg									

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Source:-Tradingview, KS Commodity Research







	Commodity	\$3	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	R3	Breakout Above	Breakout Target	Breakdown Below	Breakdown Target
Index	MCX BULLDEX Apr	18029	18102	18277	18350	18525	18598	18773	18539	18654	18267	18152
Precious Metals	Spot Gold	2276.5	2300.4	2339.7	2363.7	2403.0	2426.9	2466.2	2418.2	2448.2	2348.6	2318.5
	MCX Gold Jun	70405	70802	71571	71968	72737	73134	73903	72918	73461	71636	71093
	MCX Gold Aug	70575	70987	71747	72159	72919	73331	74091	73096	73640	71806	71262
	MCX Gold Mini May	70486	70894	71593	72001	72700	73108	73807	72938	73452	71720	71206
Σ	MCX Gold Mini Jun	70412	70811	71518	71917	72624	73023	73730	72844	73358	71628	71114
snc	Spot Silver	26.55	27.10	27.85	28.40	29.15	29.70	30.45	29.60	30.25	28.15	27.50
ec ic	MCX Silver May	81486	82142	82712	83368	83938	84594	85164	84525	85093	83177	82609
E	MCX Silver Jul	83365	83933	84411	84979	85457	86025	86503	85943	86425	84793	84311
	MCX Silver Mini Apr	81694	82211	82852	83369	84010	84527	85168	84345	84880	83071	82536
	MCX Silver Mini Jun	83256	83808	84375	84927	85494	86046	86613	85883	86399	84653	84137
Industrial Metals	LME Copper	9235	9325	9460	9550	9685	9775	9910	9700	9805	9452	9347
	MCX Copper Apr	808.3	814.2	822.4	828.4	836.6	842.5	850.7	839.1	845.7	823.5	817.0
	MCX Copper May	816.7	821.9	829.6	834.8	842.5	847.7	855.4	844.6	850.6	830.4	824.4
	LME Zinc	2533	2622	2719	2808	2905	2994	3091	2877	2965	2672	2584
	MCX Zinc Apr	230.8	235.1	240.7	245.0	250.5	254.8	260.4	250.2	254.8	239.4	234.7
ž	MCX Zinc May	234.5	238.2	243.6	247.3	252.6	256.3	261.7	251.9	256.1	241.9	237.6
e	LME Lead	2118	2136	2163	2180	2207	2225	2252	2209	2230	2161	2140
at .	MCX Lead Apr	185.4	186.3	187.4	188.2	189.3	190.2	191.2	189.7	190.6	187.6	186.7
n o	MCX Lead May	187.1	188.0	188.9	189.8	190.7	191.7	192.5	191.0	191.8	189.0	188.2
≘	LME Nickel	15616	16633	17321	18338	19026	20043	20731	18784	19570	16908	16122
	LME Aluminium	2263	2399	2456	2592	2649	2785	2842	2661	2750	2449	2361
	MCX Aluminium Apr	221.7	226.1	229.5	233.9	237.3	241.7	245.1	236.8	240.3	228.2	224.6
	MCX Aluminium May	224.4	228.5	231.9	236.0	239.3	243.4	246.8	238.6	242.0	230.4	227.0
Energy	NYMEX Crude Oil	82.60	83.30	84.65	85.40	86.70	87.45	88.75	86.55	87.50	84.30	83.30
	MCX Crude Oil Apr	6915	6972	7052	7109	7189	7246	7326	7190	7254	7040	6976
	MCX Crude Oil May	6920	6958	7040	7078	7160	7198	7280	7151	7207	7019	6963
	NYMEX Natural Gas	1.55	1.60	1.65	1.75	1.80	1.85	1.90	1.75	1.80	1.65	1.60
	MCX Natural Gas Apr	132.10	136.50	140.30	144.70	148.50	152.90	156.70	145.80	149.50	136.80	133.10
	MCX Natural Gas May	154.60	158.70	162.30	166.50	170.10	174.30	177.90	167.40	170.90	158.80	155.30

Source - Bloomberg; KS Commodity Research

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	(OPTION	IS MONIT	OR AS ON	15-Apr-24		
	Gold	Silver	Crude Oil	Natural gas	Copper	Zinc	Nickel
Call Vol (lots)	3684	20437	1767231	269615	423	111	0
Put Vol (lots)	6123	28477	1428156	230558	156	3	0
Call OI (lots)	3179	6504	69296	104333	160	53	0
Put OI (lots)	6790	13745	68800	54459	172	7	0
Put Call Ratio (Vol)	1.66	1.39	0.81	0.86	0.37	0.03	-
Put Call Ratio(OI)	2.14	2.11	0.99	0.52	1.08	0.13	-
Turnover Call (crores)	2717.9	5242.0	127573.8	5270.4	88.8	13.9	0.0
Turnover Put (crores)	4346.3	7057.1	101770.1	4273.6	31.8	0.4	0.0
Max Call Vol (lots)	1372	6773	522192	81274	212	58	0
Max Call Vol Strike	72000	84000	7100	150	830	250	-
Max Put Vol (lots)	1387	10738	439132	56707	40	2	0
Max Put Vol Strike	70000	83000	7100	140	830	245	-
Max Call OI (lots)	761	1256	9285	20939	55	36	0
Max Call OI Strike	70000	85000	7200	150	830	250	-
Max Put OI (lots)	1013	1298	11025	10878	43	36	0
Max Put OI Strike	65000	82000	7100	140	780	230	-

Souce: MCX; KS Commodity Research; Vol stands for Volume; OI stands for Open Interest

MCX SPREAD MONITOR							
Commodity	Current	Previous	Trend				
Gold 1M-2M (Rs/10gm)	-174	-228	Narrowing				
Silver 1M-2M (Rs/kg)	-1517	-1541	Narrowing				
Copper 1M-2M (Rs/kg)	-6.20	-6.00	Widening				
Aluminiun 1M-2M (Rs/kg)	-2.05	-1.95	Widening				
Lead 1M-2M (Rs/kg)	-1.40	-1.70	Narrowing				
Nickel 1M-2M (Rs/kg)	0.00	0.00					
Zinc 1M-2M (Rs/kg)	-2.10	-1.70	Widening				
Crude 1M-2M (Rs/bbl)	30.00	34.00	Narrowing				
Natural gas 1M-2M (Rs/mmBtu)	-21.80	-21.40	Widening				
Aluminium-Lead (Rs/kg)	43.85	38.55	Widening				
Zinc- Aluminium (Rs/kg)	12.30	19.75	Narrowing				
Zinc-Lead (Rs/kg)	56.15	58.30	Narrowing				
Gold Silver Ratio	0.86	0.87	Narrowing				
Crude/NG Ratio	50.35	48.40	Widening				

Source: Bloomberg; KS Commodity Research

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