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Commodity	High	Low	Close	Chg	% Chg
COMEX PRECIOUS METALS					
Gold (\$/toz)	2538.5	2504.4	2523.0	-4.6	-0.18
Silver (\$/toz)	28.95	28.06	28.34	-0.80	-2.74
MCX PRECIOUS METALS*					
Gold (Rs/10 gram)	71765	71001	71381	-220.0	-0.31
Silver (Rs/kg)	84493	82700	83252	-1302.0	-1.54
ENERGY					
Brent Crude oil (\$/bbl)	77.6	73.5	73.8	-3.77	-4.86
WTI Crude oil (\$/bbl)	74.3	70.1	70.3	-3.21	-4.36
NYMEX NG (\$/MMBtu)	2.225	2.075	2.203	0.08	3.57
MCX ENERGY*					
Crude oil (Rs/bbl)	6249.0	5913.0	5919.0	-303.0	-4.87
Natural Gas (Rs/MMBtu)	185.7	175.5	184.8	0.2	0.11
LME BASE METALS (\$/tonne	e)				
Copper	9221.5	8926.5	8954.5	-228.5	-2.49
Aluminium	2428.5	2394.0	2407.5	-16.5	-0.68
Lead	2067.0	2028.5	2049.5	-10.0	-0.49
Zinc	2851.0	2797.0	2846.0	5.0	0.18
MCX BASE METALS (Rs/kg)*	k				
Copper	800.0	781.8	785.4	-16.05	-2.00
Aluminium	222.8	220.7	222.7	-0.10	-0.04
Lead	185.7	182.5	184.7	-0.65	-0.35
Zinc	265.8	262.0	265.5	0.65	0.25
	CUR	RENCIES			
Dollar Index	101.92	101.56	101.83	0.13	0.17
Euro/USD	1.107	1.103	1.104	0.00	-0.26
GBP/USD	1.315	1.309	1.311	0.00	-0.24
USD/YEN	147.2	145.2	145.5	-1.44	-0.98
USD/INR	84.0	83.9	84.0	0.04	0.05
Source: Bloomberg *MCX pric	es as on 14t	h August			

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Commodity	Current	Previous	Trend
Gold (Rs/10gm)	490	470	Widening
Silver (Rs/kg)	2043	2095	Narrowing
Copper (Rs/kg)	-19.7	-3.6	Widening
Aluminium (Rs/kg)	1.8	1.8	
Lead (Rs/kg)	-0.7	0.0	Widening
Zinc (Rs/kg)	0.2	0.3	Narrowing
Crude (Rs/bbl)	-32	-65	Narrowing
NG (Rs/mmBtu)	29.2	29.4	Narrowing
Gold Silver Ratio	88.9	87.6	Widening
Crude/NG Ratio	32.0	33.7	Narrowing
Source: Bloomberg			

MCX SPREAD MONITO

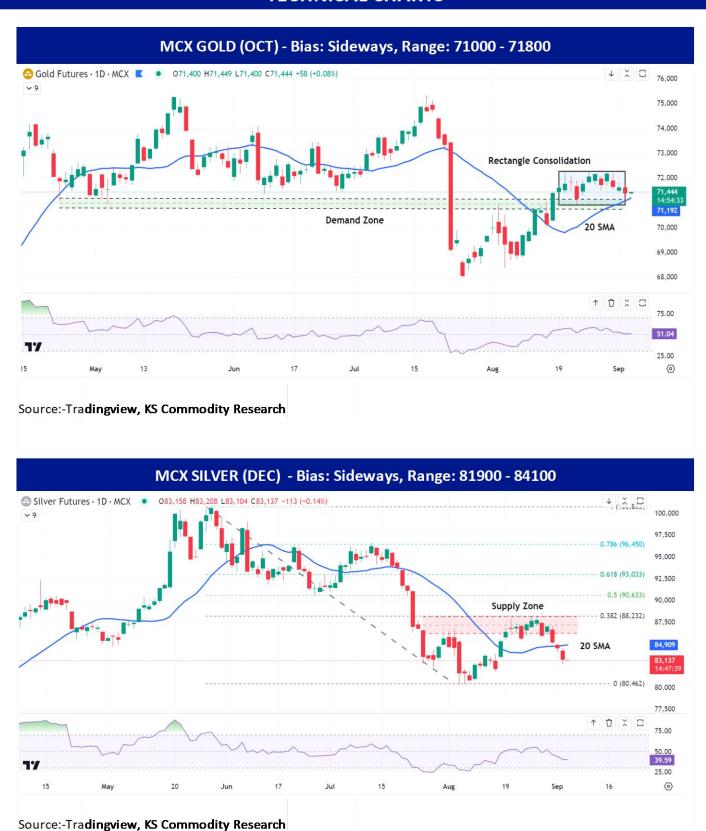
Bullion - Comex gold continue to retreat from recent record high likely due to strength in dollar, profit-taking and position adjustments ahead of a significant week of U.S. economic data releases. Currently, the CME's FedWatch tool indicates a 100% probability of a rate cut in September, with a 63% chance of a 25basis point reduction and a 37% for 50-basis point cut. Attention is now turning to potential weaknesses in the labor market. Today's JOLTS job openings report expected to show a modest decline from 8.184 million in June to 8.10 million in July. An unexpected rise in unemployment could benefit gold, adding to bets of a more aggressive 50 bps rate cut. Gold prices are expected to remain volatile with market participants adjusting their expectations for the size of likely Fed rate cuts. Comex Silver tumbled due to weakening global economy resulting in lesser demand for Industrial metals.

Crude Oil – WTI Crude Oil prices plunged 5% yesterday to \$70.10 per barrel, the lowest level since early January amid expectations of a resolution to the ongoing conflict between the Eastern and Western factions in Libya, which could lead to a resumption of oil output. This development has renewed concerns about a supply glut, especially as OPEC+ is reportedly planning to increase output by 180,000 barrels per day, gradually restoring production levels curtailed since 2022. Additionally, Goldman Sachs' warning about weakening Chinese commodity demand exacerbated the decline in oil prices. The potential resolution of the Libyan political dispute could add more barrels to the market, further pressuring prices, especially with subdued factory activity in the top two oil-consuming nations.

Natural Gas - Nymex gas October futures surged 3.5% yesterday on bargain buying after prices had been weighed down by a mild summer and high stocks. However, significant upside may be limited by forecasts of notably cooler weather from September 8-12.

Base metals – LME base metals experienced sharp declines esterday amid global risk-off sentiment as the US manufacturing PMI fell deeper into contraction in August, following disappointing actory activity data from China. LME Copper dropped to a threeweek low of \$8,926.50 per tonne, further pressured by Goldman Sachs' reduced copper price forecast to an average of \$10,100 per conne in 2025, roughly one-third lower than the previous forecast of \$15,000 per tonne. Aluminium fell below \$2,400 per tonne, while Zinc maintained previous session's declines as dollar extended recovery and approached 102 levels. Today, metals are trading mixed as the Caixin services PMI for China fell to 51.6 in August, down from 52.1 the previous month, highlighting ongoing economic weakness in the top consumer.

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