

	Index Value	Index	P/E	AUTO	CAPITAL GOODS	CONSTRUCTION	Financial	FMCG	Info Tech	LOGISTICS	Metals	Oil & Gas	Pharma	POWER	Telecom
INDIA	3681.75	1.56	13.50	1.31	1.31	2.10	2.60	(0.83)	(0.11)	N.A	8.84	1.34	1.84	0.08	0.93
NIKKEI	9385.70	4.55	47.82	N.A	N.A	6.79	10.51	2.02	1.78	N.A	6.12	4.33	1.87	0.24	N.A
KOSPI	1401.08	0.55	19.76	N.A	2.58	1.93	1.75	1.36	N.A	1.66	2.62	1.36	(1.05)	(0.86)	(0.17)
SHANGHAI	2597.45	0.19	27.68	N.A	(1.22)	N.A	1.12	(0.68)	(0.35)	N.A	(0.25)	1.09	(1.73)	(0.72)	(1.95)
TAIWAN	6572.87	0.09	61.99	2.93	N.A	5.85	1.99	(1.49)	2.00	2.86	3.60	(0.04)	(0.14)	(1.28)	N.A
HANGSENG	17217.89	2.28	15.46	N.A	1.08	(0.45)	3.90	2.30	2.07	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	(2.23)	(0.70)
CAC	3336.99	1.63	11.28	N.A	1.64	N.A	(0.02)	0.83	1.26	N.A	0.72	0.61	1.53	0.61	0.66
FTSE	4496.12	2.27	21.93	6.64	(0.29)	0.81	3.26	5.36	1.74	1.41	2.47	2.13	0.65	0.35	0.89
DAX	4955.44	1.53	21.66	1.55	0.93	2.90	4.56	0.80	0.24	2.51	0.93	1.64	0.99	1.64	0.80
US	8512.28	1.21	17.85	4.51	1.74	4.33	12.02	(1.50)	0.06	1.33	2.98	3.61	(0.78)	(0.32)	0.41
AUSTRALIA	3230.70	1.79	18.08	N.A	2.56	(2.60)	0.43	(0.19)	(0.32)	3.17	4.46	3.40	(2.10)	N.A	(0.23)
BRAZIL	51499.48	1.64	18.80	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	1.07	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	1.22
MEXICO	23906.13	2.03	15.52	N.A	1.62	Tim	4.03	N.A	N.A	N.A	Tim	N.A	N.A	N.A	Tim

**KEY HIGHLIGHTS...**

**U.S. Stock-Index Futures Gain; Citigroup, Cisco Systems Advance...**  
**U.S. stock futures rose, indicating the Standard & Poor's 500 Index may extend a four month high, after Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner said stress-test results will be "reassuring" and Cisco Systems Inc.'s earning stopped estimates.**

**U.S. worker productivity probably rose in the first quarter...**  
**U.S. worker productivity probably rose in the first quarter as the worst recession in at least half a century prompted companies to squeeze more out of remaining staff. Productivity, a measure of employee output per hour, rose at a 0.6 percent annual rate after dropping at a 0.4 percent pace at the end of 2008. Another report may show claims for jobless benefits rose.**

**IMF Approves One-Year, \$20.6 Billion Credit Line for Poland...**  
**The International Monetary Fund, which has mounted rescues from Hungary to Pakistan in the past six months, yesterday approved a one-year, \$20.6 billion line of credit to Poland. Polish authorities plan to treat the extension of credit as a "precautionary" measure, meaning the European country does not intend to draw on the funds, the IMF said in a statement. The IMF last month said the economy will contract 0.7 percent this year, after growing 4.8 percent in 2008.**

**U.S. Initial Jobless Claims Fell to 631,000 Last Week...**  
**Fewer Americans filed first-time applications for unemployment insurance last week, indicating the pace of job losses is slowing even as the total number of people on benefits continues to break records. Initial jobless claims decreased by 14,000 to a less-than- forecast 631,000 in the week that ended April 25, from a revised 645,000 the prior week, Labor Department.**

**SECTOR...**

➤ Brazil seen using more cane to make sugar on India's high demand.

**COMPANY...**

- The special auditor of the income tax department has reassessed nearly Rs 1,200 crore of revenues of **DLF** in financial year 2005-06 as additional income. In the event of appellate authorities not reversing the order of assessing officer, then the company has a tax liability of Rs 300 crore to Rs 400 crore. The IT Department in December 2008 appointed a special auditor to evaluate the tax fillings for the company for FY 2005-2006.
- **Jaiprakash Hydro Power** has posted a net loss of Rs 25.52 crore for the fourth quarter of 2009 financial year. The company's net sales also went down 6.31 per cent at Rs 60.81 crore for the quarter under review as compared to Rs 64.91 crore. The company has recommended a dividend of Re 0.75 per share (7.5%) amounting to Rs 36.83 crore.
- **Union Bank of India** has reported a 10.77 per cent decline in its net profit to Rs 465 crore for the quarter ended March 31, 2009, compared to Rs 521.13 crore for the same quarter, year ago. However, its total income increased by 32 per cent to Rs 3,848.73 crore for the quarter ended March 31, 2009, as compared to Rs 2,913.10 crore for the quarter ended March 31, 2008.
- Vedanta Resources Plc said it is awaiting the government's response on acquiring the residual stake in **Hindustan Zinc Ltd**, leading to a surge in the zinc producer's share price. As on Mar 31, the government held a 29.54% stake in Hindustan Zinc. The London Stock Exchange listed Vedanta holds 64.92% stake in Hindustan Zinc through its subsidiary, **Sterlite Industries India Ltd**.
- **Jet Airways India Ltd** will launch low fare services on select routes in India from Friday. The private airline currently offers low cost travel on its subsidiary JetLite.
- **Uttam Galva Steels** has hiked prices of cold rolled steel and galvanized steel products by 1,000 rupees a tn and 2,000 rupees per 1 tn, respectively. The move will help them improve realisations in the first quarter, but any meaningful contribution to earnings will depend only on the sustainability of this price hike.
- **Tata Steel's** April sales grew 31% on year to 452,000 tn. When globally steel companies are cutting production, Tata Steel has posted rise in sales helped by increased orders like from railways and defence, and thrust on construction activity. However, output of saleable steel rose 30% to 516,000 tn during the month, indicating a build up of inventory.
- **Omaxe** says to trim debt by 40% to 10 bln rupees in FY10.
- **DLF** may face additional tax liability of 3-4 bln rupees.
- **Adlabs Films** sets up BPO ops for media business.
- **JSW Steel** sees FY10 saleable steel 6.1 mln tn, up 78% on year.
- **Hindustan Zinc** adds 46.3 mln tn reserves, resources in FY09.
- **Godrej Industries** to buy back a minimum of 5.70 lakh equity shares, which amounts to 9.9% stake at a share price not exceeding Rs 275. The buy-back would open on May 18 and would be completed on July 28, 2009. The company intends to foray into low cost housing schemes, for which it may bring an IPO under Godrej Properties Ltd, a fully owned subsidiary of Godrej group.
- **Avery India Ltd** has informed that the proposal received from AV Co 3 Ltd states the indicative price at the UK Company intends to acquire equity shares of the company is Rs. 83.00 per share. Avery India had earlier informed it has received a proposal from AV Co 3, one of the present promoters holding 78.28% in the company, to acquire balance 21.72% equity in accordance with the provisions of the SEBI delisting guidelines.

PRECIOUS METALS (SPOT PRICES)			
Name	Last Trade	% CHG 1D	% CHG 5D
<b>GOLD</b>	915.72	1.28	2.93
<b>SILVER</b>	14.01	4.24	11.24
<b>PLATINUM</b>	1166.75	3.02	4.95

ENERGY			
Name	Last Trade	% CHG 1D	% CHG 5D
<b>CRUDE OIL</b>	57.78	2.52	12.99
<b>NATURAL GAS</b>	3.90	0.44	15.74

BASE METALS			
Name	Last Trade	% CHG 1D	% CHG 5D
<b>Copper</b>	4821	1.48	10.31
<b>Aluminum</b>	1600	1.88	9.78
<b>Nickel</b>	13300	4.72	17.65
<b>Lead</b>	1492	2.77	12.28
<b>Zinc</b>	1631	1.97	15.55

LME INVENTORY (metric tonnes)			
Name	Inventory	% CHG 1D	% CHG 5D
<b>Copper</b>	393900	(2.05)	(4.27)
<b>Aluminum</b>	3844725	0.13	2.05
<b>Nickel</b>	112068	(0.63)	(2.06)
<b>Lead</b>	73200	0.21	2.74
<b>Zinc</b>	325225	0.34	(2.42)

CURRENCY			
Name	Last Trade	% CHG 1D	% CHG 5D
<b>RS/\$</b>	49.34	0.58	1.66
<b>\$/€</b>	1.33	(0.10)	(0.35)
<b>DOLLER INDEX</b>	84.04	0.28	(0.68)
<b>¥/\$</b>	99.38	(1.04)	(1.25)

Today's Major Economic Events			
IST	Data	Expected	Prior
18:00	Nonfarm Productivity	0.60%	-0.40%
18:00	Unit Labor Costs	2.70%	5.70%
18:00	Initial Jobless Claims	635K	631K
18:00	Continuing Claims	6350K	6271K
	ICSC Chain Store Sales YoY	-1.00%	-2.10%

**COMMODITY & CURRENCY...**

- **Crude oil rose** above \$57 a barrel for the first time this year after a jump in U.S. refinery demand boosted speculation that economic activity is recovering. U.S. refineries boosted operating rates last week to their highest level since December, the Energy Department said and crude stockpiles increased less than analysts had estimated. Still, the increase in U.S. crude supplies brought inventories to 375.3 million barrels last week, the highest since 1990. Natural gas futures rose more than 7 percent, the biggest gain since March, after an employment report spurred speculation that the worst of the recession may be over. The Energy Department will probably say that gas in storage increased 92 billion cubic feet in the week ended May 1. The number of gas rigs operating in the U.S. has dropped 54 percent since September as prices collapsed.
- **Gold, little changed** in London today, may fall as investors turn to equities on speculation that the worst of the global recession might be over. **Investment in the SPDR Gold Trust**, the biggest exchange-traded fund backed by bullion, fell to 1,104.09 metric tons yesterday from 1,104.45 tons on May 5. The fund last attracted new flows on April 9. An economic recovery may increase demand for metals with industrial uses. The auto industry employs platinum and palladium in pollution-control gear and accounts for about half of their use. Silver, often associated with photography and jewelry, also is used in products from ball bearings to industrial catalysts.
- **Copper climbed** to the highest in almost three weeks in Asia on speculation an easing of the global recession may be near, signaling a recovery in raw material demand. A report in the U.S. will probably show unemployment reached a 25-year high in April, according to a Bloomberg News survey of economists. The labor market will lag behind as the economy emerges from the worst recession in at least 50 years, according to Federal Reserve projections. Among other LME-traded metals, aluminum slipped 0.3 percent to \$1,565.25 a ton, zinc fell 1.8 percent to \$1,570 a ton, and lead dipped 0.1 percent to \$1,450 a ton. Nickel was little changed at \$12,690 a ton. Copper scrap buyers in China, the world's biggest user of the metal, have doubled their offers, signaling a deterioration in supply and putting a floor under prices on the London Metal Exchange.
- The **euro fell** against the **dollar** on speculation the European Central Bank will announce non-standard measures to stimulate the economy following an interest-rate decision today. The 16-nation currency also declined versus the Canadian dollar and the pound. The **yen** slid versus the dollar and the euro as gains in stocks dented demand for the Japanese currency as a haven, and the Australian dollar rose to a seven-month high against the U.S. currency as jobs data beat analysts' forecasts. The ECB, led by President Jean-Claude Trichet, will reduce borrowing costs by a quarter-percentage point to 1 percent today, according to all 53 economists surveyed by Bloomberg. The Japanese yen weakened versus 15 of the 16 most-active currencies as gains in stocks spurred investors to buy higher-yielding assets. The pound snapped a six-day advance versus the dollar before a meeting of the Bank of England at which policy makers will leave the nation's key interest rate at a record low of 0.5 percent.
- **Asian currencies rose**, led by the South Korean won, as better-than-expected labor data from the U.S., New Zealand and Australia added to evidence a global recession is easing, bolstering demand for emerging-market assets. Eight of Asia's 10 most-active currencies excluding the yen advanced versus the dollar and the MSCI Asia Pacific Index of stocks touched a seven-month high after Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner said results of bank stress tests will reassure investors. The won appreciated to its strongest level this year after the central bank reported the highest foreign-exchange reserves since September. The Bloomberg-JPMorgan Asia Dollar Index, which tracks the 10 most-active regional currencies, reached a four-month high.
- **India's rupee rose** for a third day this week on speculation better-than-estimated economic data from the U.S. and Australia will temper risk aversion among global investors. The currency climbed to the highest level against the dollar since Feb. 17 as a rally in Asian equities added to optimism that demand is increasing for emerging-market assets. Offshore funds bought more Indian shares than they sold on 17 of the last 19 trading days, stock-exchange data show. The rupee also rose as a shrinking trade deficit reduces demand for the U.S. currency. Offshore contracts show traders are betting the rupee will drop to 49.47 in a month, compared with expectations for a rate of 49.67 yesterday.

Our Research Analysts-

Name	Email -ID
Nandita Jaiswal -CFA , MS (Finance)	nandita_cfa@yahoo.co.in
Neeraj Toshniwal -CFA , MS (Finance)	neeraj_toshniwal@yahoo.co.in
Rina Sanghavi -CFA , MS (Finance)	rinasanghavi2005@yahoo.co.in
Rohit Bangani -CFA , MS (Finance)	rohit_bangani@yahoo.co.in
Tarun Taparia -CFA , MS (Finance)	tarun_taparia2005@yahoo.co.in
Uday Dubey -CFA	udaydubeyster@gmail.com

We would like to hear from you at [research@lohiasecurities.net](mailto:research@lohiasecurities.net)

**DISCLAIMER:** The information and opinions contained herein have been compiled or arrived at, based upon information obtained from reliable sources. Such information has not been independently verified and no guarantee, representation of warranty, express or implied, is made as to its accuracy, completeness or correctness. All such information and opinions are subject to change without notice. LSL, its directors, analysts or employees do not take any responsibility, financial or otherwise, of the losses or the damages sustained due to the investments made or any action taken on basis of this report. LSL and its directors, associates, employees may or may not have any positions in any of the stocks dealt in the report. This report is only for PRIVATE CIRCULATION.