

	Index	P/E	AUTO	CAPITAL GOODS	CONSTRUCTION	Financial	FMCG	Info Tech	LOGISTICS	Metals	Oil & Gas	Pharma	POWER	Telecom
INDIA	1.54	12.27	1.77	1.92	0.31	2.72	(0.28)	0.04	N.A	0.82	1.28	0.80	1.25	1.59
NIKKEI	(1.57)	27.76	N.A	N.A	(2.37)	1.38	(0.80)	(2.11)	N.A	(0.25)	0.84	(1.73)	(1.69)	N.A
KOSPI	(1.07)	19.09	N.A	0.33	(0.84)	(0.09)	1.20	N.A	(2.32)	(0.55)	0.77	0.26	(4.53)	1.15
SHANGHAI	(0.62)	22.01	N.A	(1.17)	N.A	(1.24)	0.35	(1.77)	N.A	(0.99)	0.01	(1.46)	(0.35)	(1.04)
TAIWAN	0.09	25.04	2.49	N.A	1.93	1.11	(0.64)	3.75	(0.46)	(0.09)	0.16	0.41	0.31	N.A
HANGSENG	0.29	13.60	N.A	(0.03)	0.84	0.17	0.73	2.49	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	0.26	(0.41)
CAC	1.17	9.80	N.A	3.22	N.A	0.68	0.23	0.69	N.A	0.04	0.96	0.93	0.96	0.34
FTSE	1.11	17.02	0.73	1.85	(0.14)	1.22	1.16	0.64	1.25	6.01	2.45	1.98	(0.18)	0.98
DAX	1.20	17.64	1.04	2.06	3.25	1.35	(0.80)	0.02	(0.75)	2.06	3.22	0.72	3.22	0.24
US	0.89	15.76	1.93	0.99	6.00	6.40	(0.53)	0.78	0.89	(2.53)	1.82	0.85	0.35	(0.33)
AUSTRALIA	(0.80)	16.02	N.A	(1.93)	(1.46)	1.04	3.64	0.90	(0.48)	(0.73)	1.48	1.12	N.A	(0.13)
BRAZIL	2.03	14.57	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	2.38	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	1.56
MEXICO	1.63	13.85	N.A	0.36	#N/A	0.56	N.A	N.A	N.A	#N/A	N.A	N.A	N.A	#N/A

**KEY HIGHLIGHTS...**

**European stocks rises and Asian stock Mixed...**

European stocks advanced as American Express Co.'s earnings lifted banks and German business confidence rebounded from a 26-year low, overshadowing reduced sales forecasts from Volvo AB and TeliaSonera AB. On the other hand Most Asian stocks fell as concern the global recession is hurting earnings at telephone and technology companies countered gains by banks.

**U.K. Shrinks Most Since Thatcher Era Dawned in 1979...**

The U.K. economy shrank more than economists forecast in the first quarter in the biggest contraction since Margaret Thatcher came to power in 1979. Gross domestic product fell 1.9 percent from the final three months of 2008 as manufacturing and business services posted record declines.

**Goods Orders in U.S. Probably Fell...**

Orders for U.S. durable goods probably fell last month after jumping in February and sales of new homes stagnated, indicating the economy will take time to pull out of the recession. Bookings for goods meant to last several years dropped 1.5 percent in March following a 3.5 percent increase, according to the median estimate.

**DOMESTIC...**

➤ Strong protests from the Indian government have apparently forced Egypt to withdraw additional import duty on Indian cotton yarn, fabric and sugar. The additional duty, imposed by the North African nation in January 2009, was hampering export of Indian goods to the country. The domestic industry complained about the imposition of the additional duty to the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, which took up the issue with Egyptian authorities. The additional duty was in violation of the norms prepared by the World Trade Organization.

➤ Govt says India FY10 FDI inflow seen over \$30 bln.

**COMPANY...**

➤ **Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd** is exploring picking equity in domestic casting and forging ventures or buy them from the East European market to enhance its manufacturing capacity. The blue-chip company is also planning to speed up manufacturing through its forging joint venture with UK-based Sheffield.

➤ **Maruti Suzuki** Q4 standalone net profit went down by 18.32% at Rs 243.13 crore versus Rs 297.68 crore. The company's standalone net sales increased by 32.41% to Rs 6,334.37 crore versus Rs 4,783.88 crore, YoY. Its topline was above estimates of Rs 6,221 crore while bottomline was below expectations of Rs 363.1 crore. The company said forex fluctuations hit January-March net profit. The company suffered Rs 121 crore MTM loss on FX loans.

➤ **Hero Honda** CFO expects full tax gain for Haridwar unit post Sep.

➤ **Dr Reddy's Laboratories** gets USFDA approval for anticid drug.

➤ **GlaxoSmithkline Consumer Healthcare Ltd** has posted a net profit of Rs 838.90 million for quarter ended March 31, 2009 compared to Rs 565.50 million in the corresponding quarter of 2008. Total income of the company increased from Rs 4294.60 million to Rs 5650.10 million in the quarter to March 2009.

➤ **IDBI Bank Ltd** has, on standalone basis, posted net profit of Rs. 313.67 crore for the quarter ended March 31, 2009. Interest earned was Rs. 3262.21 crore and interest expended stood at Rs. 2780.81 crore.

➤ **Hindustan Construction Co. Ltd** has, on consolidated basis, posted net profit of Rs. 59.24 crore for the year ended March 31, 2009 against Rs. 88.92 crore for the previous year. Net sales stood at Rs. 3560.32 crore against Rs. 2994.68 crore for the year ended March 2008. The company has recommended a dividend of Re. 0.80 per share of Re. 1 each.

➤ **Corporation Bank** on standalone basis reported net profit of Rs. 260.49 crore for the quarter ended March 31, 2009 against Rs. 205.60 crore for the same quarter of 2008. Interest earned for the quarter was Rs. 1706.38 crore against Rs. 1253.52 crore for the quarter ended March 2008. Interest expended was Rs. 1278.09 crore against Rs. 850.96 crore year ago. The bank has recommended a final dividend of 80% i.e. Rs.8 per share of the face value of Rs.10 each.

➤ **Idea Cellular** said it has earmarked a capital expenditure of Rs 6,000 crore for the current fiscal. The capex plan includes entering new market and growing its existing markets. The company has enough liquidity and does not plan to raise funds for its capex. The company has cash of Rs 5,000 crore on its balance sheet and about Rs 2,000 crore can be generated through operations.

➤ **Coromandel Fertilisers** has posted a net loss of Rs 12.47 crore in the quarter ended March 31, 2009, compared with a net profit of Rs 3.36 crore in the corresponding quarter last year. The company's net sales during the quarter stood at Rs 856.86 crore against Rs 584.43 crore last year, up 46.61 per cent. The consolidated net profit for the financial year ending March, 2009, rose to Rs 559.50 crore from Rs 210.10 crore, up 166.3 per cent. The net sale during the year was Rs 9,374.98 crore compared with Rs 3,757.34 crore.

PRECIOUS METALS (SPOT PRICES)			
Name	Last Trade	% CHG 1D	% CHG 5D
<b>GOLD</b>	908.69	1.71	4.59
<b>SILVER</b>	12.76	2.88	6.14
<b>PLATINUM</b>	1179.00	(0.32)	(2.56)

ENERGY			
Name	Last Trade	% CHG 1D	% CHG 5D
<b>CRUDE OIL</b>	49.96	0.64	(4.95)
<b>NATURAL GAS</b>	3.39	(0.53)	(9.06)

BASE METALS			
Name	Last Trade	% CHG 1D	% CHG 5D
<b>Copper</b>	4310	(0.62)	(10.20)
<b>Aluminum</b>	1446	(0.14)	(2.69)
<b>Nickel</b>	11050	(2.64)	(13.84)
<b>Lead</b>	1399	(4.23)	(10.08)
<b>Zinc</b>	1394	(1.76)	(10.60)

LME INVENTORY (metric tonnes)			
Name	Inventory	% CHG 1D	% CHG 5D
<b>Copper</b>	429550	(2.48)	(8.53)
<b>Aluminum</b>	3691700	0.41	0.70
<b>Nickel</b>	106728	(0.60)	1.26
<b>Lead</b>	71725	12.69	18.21
<b>Zinc</b>	340500	(0.39)	(1.93)

CURRENCY			
Name	Last Trade	% CHG 1D	% CHG 5D
<b>RS/\$</b>	49.86	0.46	0.02
<b>\$/€</b>	1.32	(1.39)	(0.93)
<b>DOLLER INDEX</b>	84.95	(0.64)	(1.02)
<b>¥/\$</b>	97.04	1.34	2.30

Today's Major Economic Events			
IST	Data	Expected	Prior
18:00	Durable Goods Orders	-1.50%	3.40%
18:00	Durables Ex Transportation	-1.20%	3.90%
19:30	New Home Sales	337K	337K
19:30	New Home Sales MoM	0.00%	4.70%

**COMMODITY & CURRENCY...**

- **Gold rose** to a three-week high in London, heading for its first weekly gain since March, after a report that China has increased its reserves of the precious metal by 76 percent since 2003. China boosted its gold reserves by 76 percent since 2003 and has the world's fifth-biggest holding by country. The nation increased its reserves by 454 tons to 1,054 tons through domestic purchases and refining scrap metal. The amount is more than Switzerland's 1,040 tons, World Gold Council data show, and is worth \$31 billion at current prices. China has the world's largest foreign exchange reserves at \$1.95 trillion as of March 31, according to state administration data. The holdings have climbed about sixfold in the past six years as the country had record trade surpluses and inflows of foreign investment. Gold prices have almost tripled to more than \$900 an ounce from \$337. The U.S. has the world's biggest gold holdings at 8,134 tons, followed by Germany with 3,413 tons, World Gold Council data show. France has 2,487 tons and Italy 2,452 tons, while the IMF has 3,217 tons, according to the council. **Investment in the SPDR Gold Trust**, the biggest ETF backed by bullion, fell 1.5 metric tons to 1,104.45 metric tons. That was the first decline since April 17. Among other metals for immediate delivery in London, **silver** added 0.2 percent to \$12.81 an ounce. **Platinum** lost 0.1 percent to \$1,182 an ounce, and palladium was 0.3 percent higher at \$233.75 an ounce.
- **Crude oil** traded little changed, set for a third weekly decline, on signs that OPEC isn't cutting supplies fast enough to reduce the glut in inventories. The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries will trim crude oil shipments by 0.6 percent in the four weeks ending May 9, the smallest drop since February, tanker-tracker Oil Movements said. Earlier this week, the U.S. Energy Department reported crude stockpiles rose for a seventh consecutive week to the highest since September 1990. Nippon Oil Corp., Japan's largest refiner, will cut fuel production by about 6 percent next month from year-earlier levels as the recession in Japan weakens petroleum demand. Crude oil may decline next week on speculation that U.S. inventories will increase because the recession has cut consumption. **Eni SpA**, Italy's biggest oil company, cut its forecast for production this year as weaker demand and a slump in crude prices spurred a 43 percent decline in first-quarter profit. Natural gas futures fell to the lowest in more than six years after a government report showed an above-average gain in U.S. inventories amid weakening demand during the recession. Stockpiles increased 46 billion cubic feet in the week ended April 17 to 1.741 trillion cubic feet, the Energy Department said. The average gain for the week over the past five years is 35 billion. Supplies were 23 percent higher than the five-year average.
- **Copper headed for its first weekly decline** since March on speculation that demand is still weakening. Nickel and zinc also dropped. Japan's copper wire and cable shipments dropped to a 33-year low in the year ended March 31, the Japanese Electric Wire and Cable Makers' Association said today. The country's output of copper and copper alloy fabricated products, including sheets and tubes, plunged by a record in March to the lowest in more than 34 years, the **Japan Copper and Brass Association said**. Copper may decline next week on speculation the metal is no longer reflecting the outlook for demand. Copper in Shanghai capped its worst week since December amid renewed concern the global recession will further cut demand for the metal used in construction and vehicles.
- **The pound fell** on concern Britain will lose its AAA credit rating. European stocks rose as American Express Co.'s earnings lifted banks and **German business confidence** rebounded. The U.K. currency weakened 1.6 percent against the yen, 1.4 percent versus the euro and 0.7 percent against the dollar after Moody's Investors Service said the government is "taking risks" with public finances and the economy shrank 1.9 percent in the first quarter. Europe's Dow Jones Stoxx 600 Index rose 0.2 percent. American Express reported a smaller-than-estimated 58 percent profit decline for the first quarter after the close of normal trading in New York. While the euro strengthened against the dollar and European stocks gained as the Munich-based Ifo institute's business climate index increased to 83.7 in April, Britain's economy is worsening.
- **The Australian and New Zealand dollars** dropped against the yen, completing weekly losses, on speculation the global recession will damp demand for the two nations exports. Australia's dollar also completed a weekly decline versus the greenback on concern the nation's jobless rate will rise and after Prime Minister Kevin Rudd said the first recession in almost two decades will cut tax receipts by more than A\$115 billion (\$82.1 billion). New Zealand's dollar fell for a third week against the dollar and the yen before a central bank meeting on April 30 at which economists expect policy makers will cut benchmark rates from a record low.
- **China's yuan climbed** to a one-month high after the People's Bank of China set the strongest reference rate since November, bolstering confidence the government won't seek depreciation to aid exporters. The central bank fixed the central parity rate higher for a third day as **ICE's Dollar Index**, a gauge of strength in the greenback, dropped to its lowest in a week. Goldman Sachs Group Inc., CLSA Asia-Pacific Markets and Morgan Stanley have all raised economic growth forecasts for China this week on signs a 4 trillion yuan (\$586 billion) stimulus package is working. India's rupee may gain as much as 6.7 percent to 46.80 per dollar in coming weeks as rallying stocks boost demand for the currency, according to Reliance Equities International Pvt, citing trading patterns.

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