

Indices	9-Jan	8-Jan	% Chg.
S&P BSE SENSEX	36,213	35,981	0.64%
Nifty 50	10,855	10,802	0.49%
NIFTY Midcap 100	17,621	17,634	-0.07%
NIFTY Smallcap 100	6,389	6,403	-0.22%

BSE Sectoral Indices			
	9-Jan	8-Jan	% Chg.
Nifty FMCG	30,577	30,272	1.01%
Nifty Financial Services	11,741	11,635	0.90%
Nifty Bank	27,720	27,510	0.77%
Nifty Realty	241	239	0.65%
Nifty Auto	8,907	8,860	0.54%
Nifty Pharma	8,907	8,865	0.47%
Nifty IT	14,326	14,286	0.28%
Nifty MNC	13,622	13,607	0.11%
Nifty Infrastructure	3,146	3,146	0.00%
Nifty Media	2,495	2,496	-0.04%
Nifty PSU Bank	3,187	3,195	-0.25%
Nifty Energy	14,061	14,106	-0.32%
Nifty Metal	2,976	3,010	-1.16%

Major Indices			
	9-Jan	8-Jan	% Chg.
United States	23,879	23,787	0.39%
S&P 500	2,585	2,574	0.41%
London	6,907	6,862	0.66%
Frankfurt	10,893	10,804	0.83%

Major Asian Indices			
	9-Jan	8-Jan	% Chg.
Hong Kong	26,462	25,875	2.27%
Nikkei 225	20,427	20,204	1.10%
Korea	2,065	2,025	1.95%
Shanghai	2,544	2,526	0.71%
Taiwan	9,738	9,564	1.83%

FII's & DII's in equity				
	Buy	Sell	Net	Total %
09-Jan				
FII / FPI Investments	4,410	4,134	276	26%
DII's Investments	3,659	3,219	440	21%
<i>* Total % - contribution to the total turnover</i>				

FII's in Derivatives (F&O)				
	Index Fut	Index Opt	Stock Fut	Stock Opt
09-Jan				
Net	460	1,249	-366	36
OI	31,477	54,781	82,898	7,282
Chg.OI	2.3%	5.3%	0.5%	10.3%
<i>FII's' contribution to the total F&O turnover</i>				
27%				

Curr. Derivatives (NSE)				
	9-Jan	8-Jan	Chg.	% Chg.
USDINR 29-JAN-2019	70.64	70.36	0.28	0.41%
EURINR 29-JAN-2019	81.02	80.65	0.36	0.45%
JPYINR 29-JAN-2019	64.94	64.80	0.14	0.22%
GBPINR 29-JAN-2019	89.99	89.80	0.19	0.21%

Commodities (MCX)				
	9-Jan	8-Jan	Chg.	% Chg.
Aluminium(31JAN2019)	130.4	130.2	0.20	0.2%
Copper (28FEB2019)	417.3	413.4	3.85	0.9%
Crude (18JAN2019)	3,686	3,474	212.00	6.1%
Gold (05FEB2019)	32,001	31,741	260.00	0.8%
Silver (05MAR2019)	39,521	39,337	184.00	0.5%

ADR (\$)				
	9-Jan	8-Jan	Chg.	% Chg.
Tata Motors (TTM)	13.19	12.96	0.23	1.77%
Infosys (INFY)	9.87	9.75	0.12	1.23%
Wipro (WIT)	5.13	5.11	0.02	0.39%
Dr. Reddy's Lab (RDY)	37.01	36.90	0.11	0.30%
ICICI Bank (IBN)	10.78	10.76	0.02	0.19%
HDFC Bank (HDB)	102.90	103.81	-0.91	-0.88%

Domestic Market View

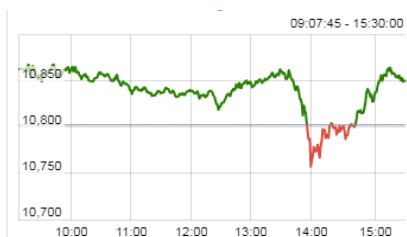
Markets to open slightly in green; TCS result eyed

Indian markets extended their gains for fourth straight session and ended higher on Wednesday tracking strength in global peers on rising hopes that the US and China would strike a deal to end their trade tiff. Today, the start is likely to be marginally in green amid positive trade on Wall Street. Traders will be looking for third-quarter corporate earnings for the financial year 2018-2019, with Tata Consultancy services (TCS) reporting quarterly results today. The company is expected to continue to deliver healthy earnings in October-December quarter though furloughs could impact some growth.

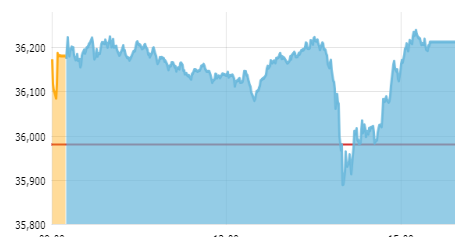
Traders will be getting encouragement with PwC-Ficci survey showing that India Inc expects over seven percent growth in the next 12 months on the back of a number of policy initiatives taken by the government. As per the report, The Indian economy is likely to grow at an average rate of 7% or more in the coming year. It added that India Inc is upbeat about the future of the economy as growth is to be driven by strong domestic demand and an increased focus on export markets. Also, there will be some support with Finance Minister Arun Jaitley's statement that the government's electric mobility programme will promote manufacturing and job creation, besides reducing pollution. Besides, a private report stated that India is likely to become the world's second-largest economy by 2030, next only to China and overtaking the US. Traders may take note of a report that NITI Aayog Vice Chairman Rajiv Kumar made a case for adopting a middle path with regard to data protection, saying data nationalism may be the anti-thesis of global growth. Meanwhile, Commerce minister Suresh Prabhu urged the finance ministry to make the process of refund of GST input tax credit online. However, there may be some cautiousness in the markets amid weak Asian peers as the markets awaited more clarity on US-China trade talks that raised hopes of a deal to avert an all-out trade war.

Domestic Market Overview

NSE NIFTY



BSE SENSEX



Last hour rally helps markets to end near intraday highs

Last hour rally helped Indian equity benchmarks to close Wednesday's trading session with strong gains. After a firm start, the key indices remained upbeat for the most part of the session, as the World Bank forecasted that Indian economy is expected to grow at 7.3% in the current fiscal year 2018-19 (FY19) and will grow further at average 7.5% in the following two years. It also said that India registered quite a bit of pick up in doing business ranking. Adding some optimism, the finance ministry said that the recovery of evaded indirect taxes shot up in 2018-19, after a low in 2017-18, the year when the goods and services tax (GST) was implemented. Recovery as a percentage of the evaded taxes dropped from 26% in 2016-17 to 14% in 2017-18. Then, it went up to 29% in 2018-19 (April to December period). Some support also came with a report stating that the central government has released Rs 48,202 crore as GST compensation to states during April-November 2018, higher than the Rs 48,178 crore paid in the previous financial year.

However, in last hour of trade markets witnessed volatility with key gauges reversing all of their gains to enter into red terrain for brief period of time, as sentiments got hurt with a private reports stating that the battered Indian rupee will take another bruising this year, despite a recent revival, weighed down by uncertainty around national elections in May and an expected economic slowdown. Some anxiety came on the street, with the World Bank's report showing that the growth of the global economy is expected to slow to 2.9 percent in 2019 compared with 3 percent in 2018, citing elevated trade tensions and international trade moderation. But soon, the markets regained momentum to end the session near day's high points, tracking firm European markets. The rally also buoyed with the World Economic Forum report stating that India is poised to become the third-largest consumer market behind only the US and China; and consumer spending in India is expected to grow from \$1.5 trillion at present to nearly \$6 trillion by 2030.

Jewellery stocks ended mixed, amid Gem and Jewellery Domestic Council (GJC) report stating that the gold jewellery industry in the country has not witnessed any significant growth in the last two years, particularly after demonetisation and GST, while stocks related to power sector ended lower,

despite report that power plants across the country generated 1,047.3 billion units (BU) of electricity in April-December, 2018, registering a 6.7% year-on-year (y-o-y) growth. Further, airline stocks remained in focus with civil aviation secretary R N Choubey's statement that India will issue new safety protocols for airlines operating Airbus A320neo aircraft fitted with Pratt & Whitney engines, while textile sector stocks remained in limelight with Confederation of Indian Textile Industry (CITI) stating that the stressed advance ratio of the textile sub-sector has been improving continuously. As per Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) financial stability report, the ratio has improved from 23.70% in September 2017 to 18.70% in September 2018.

Company	LTP	Chg	% Chg
AXISBANK	671	20	3.1
ITC	292	7	2.6
TATAMOTORS	184	4	2.0
UPL	765	13	1.7
HDFC	1991	32	1.7

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ITC	291	7	2.3
NESTLEIND	11252	235	2.1
TATAMOTORS	183	4	2.1
BHARTIARTL	335	6	1.9

Company	LTP	Chg	% Chg
GMRINFRA	17	1	5.0
IDBI	65	3	4.1
LTI	1750	58	3.4
CENTRALBK	37	1	3.1
RBLBANK	577	12	2.2

Company	LTP	Chg	% Chg
HTMEDIA	47	8	20.0
RUBYMILLS	313	52	20.0
HERCULES	121	19	18.3
PENIND	42	5	12.7
PRAJIND	145	16	12.3

Company	LTP	Chg	% Chg
HINDPETRO	238	-10	-4.0
GAIL	341	-14	-3.8
BPCL	340	-12	-3.4
YESBANK	187	-6	-3.0
ULTRACEMCO	3810	-106	-2.7

Company	LTP	Chg	% Chg
NMDC	91	-4	-3.7
GAIL	342	-13	-3.7
HINDPETRO	239	-9	-3.4
YESBANK	186	-6	-3.1
BPCL	341	-11	-3.0

Company	LTP	Chg	% Chg
GRUH	234	-22	-8.5
SAIL	52	-2	-4.0
JINDALSTEL	152	-6	-3.7
BANKINDIA	106	-3	-3.1
CANBK	281	-7	-2.5

Company	LTP	Chg	% Chg
ONMOBILE	39	-3.9	-9.1
LAKSHVILAS	77	-6	-7.0
FELDVDR	35	-3	-7.0
SILINV	222	-15	-6.3
NITCO	42	-2	-5.1

NIKKEI 225 INDEX



FTSE 100 IDX



NASDAQ NMS COMPOSITE INDEX



Global Market Overview

Asian markets end mostly higher on progressing trade talks

Asian markets ended mostly higher on Wednesday, buoyed by optimism that trade talks between the United States and China are progressing. With talks getting extended to Wednesday and US President Donald Trump saying in a tweet that discussions between the world's two largest economies were 'going very well', investors are optimistic that a trade deal can be struck ahead of a March 1 deadline established by Trump and Chinese President Xi Jinping last month at the G-20 summit in Argentina. Beijing approved the import of five genetically modified crops on Tuesday, the first in about 18 months in a bid to boost its purchases of US grains.

US markets end higher on easing fears around US-China trade

Magnifying their gains for fourth straight day, the US markets ended higher on Wednesday on the back of optimism about a potential trade deal between the US and China after talks between US and Chinese officials were extended to a third day. Officials have not made public comments about the outcome of the talks, although traders remain hopeful the US and China will reach a long-term trade agreement before a March 01 deadline. Markets also remained positive after the minutes of the latest Federal Reserve meeting confirmed Fed Chairman Jerome Powell's recent remarks suggesting the central bank will take a patient approach to further interest rate increases. The minutes of the Fed's December meeting said participants saw the appropriate extent and timing of future rate hikes as less clear than earlier.

The Fed decided to raise rates by a quarter point at the meeting, but the minutes suggest volatility in financial markets and increased concerns about global economic growth have clouded the outlook for rates. The minutes said 'against this backdrop, many participants expressed the view that, especially in an environment of muted inflation pressures, the Committee could afford to be patient about further policy firming.'

Dow Jones Industrial Average rose 91.67 points or 0.39 percent to 23879.12, Nasdaq gained 60.08 points or 0.87 percent to 6957.08 and S&P 500 was up by 10.55 points or 0.41 percent to 2584.96.

Index Futures

(OI in '000)Shares)	Future 9-Jan	Chg (%)	Spot 9-Jan	Spot 8-Jan	Chg (%)	Prem / Disc	Total Open Interest	
							9-Jan	Chg (%)
NIFTY	10,877.7	0.30	10,855	10,802	0.49	22.6	26,622	-0.52
NIFTYIT	14,343.0	0.06	14,326	14,286	0.28	17.0	25	-8.29
BANKNIFTY	27,751.6	0.21	27,720	27,510	0.77	31.1	2,170	6.47

Increasing OI, Increasing Delivery Qty & Increasing Price in Stock Futures (Open Interest in '000 Shares)

Symbol	Total OI		Del Qty Cash Market			Prev % Del.	Increase Del Qty	Spot (₹)	Fut (₹)	Spot Chg (%)	Fut Chg (%)	Prem / Disc
	9-Jan	Chg (%)	9-Jan	8-Jan	% Del.							
ZEEL	15,635	13.1%	26,31,252	24,91,695	40%	57%	1,39,557	451	454	0.5%	-0.1%	2.6
BATAINDIA	2,310	8.4%	3,01,645	1,42,403	26%	27%	1,59,242	1,148	1,148	1.7%	1.5%	-0.5
INDUSINDBK	8,636	7.7%	14,20,982	4,62,327	21%	30%	9,58,655	1602	1608	1.6%	1.5%	6.7
UJJIVAN	4,240	7.1%	5,17,815	90,109	15%	11%	4,27,706	286	286	1.1%	0.2%	-0.6
STAR	4,285	6.0%	2,51,068	1,61,979	15%	15%	89,089	476	479	2.3%	2.1%	2.4
SOUTHBANK	1,53,377	5.9%	2,02,75,049	43,87,568	69%	46%	1,58,87,481	15	16	1.3%	0.6%	0.1
HDFCBANK	14,800	5.8%	15,16,749	12,20,334	69%	56%	2,96,415	2117	2121	0.7%	0.4%	4.2
IDFCBANK	1,76,028	5.4%	57,19,989	45,38,829	33%	31%	11,81,160	46	45	0.3%	-0.5%	-0.8
TATAMTRDVR	29,404	5.0%	16,77,740	9,29,860	42%	28%	7,47,880	97	98	1.0%	0.9%	0.6

Decreasing OI, Decreasing Delivery Qty & Decreasing Price in Stock Futures (Open Interest in '000 Shares)

Symbol	Total OI		Del Qty Cash Market			Prev % Del.	Increase Del Qty	Spot (₹)	Fut (₹)	Spot Chg (%)	Fut Chg (%)	Prem / Disc
	9-Jan	Chg (%)	9-Jan	0-Jan	% Del.							
GAIL	13,018	7.9%	32,87,760	17,81,940	49%	69%	15,05,820	341	342	-3.4%	-3.3%	0.5
CHENNPETRO	1,323	7.3%	2,27,686	71,872	25%	28%	1,55,814	270	270	-3.8%	-3.8%	-0.2
SAIL	83,616	6.7%	33,36,888	18,57,852	22%	21%	14,79,036	52	52	-3.8%	-4.2%	0.0
L&TFH	21,096	6.6%	18,04,201	10,43,901	29%	29%	7,60,300	145	145	-2.6%	-2.5%	0.8
JINDALSTEL	23,540	5.2%	27,58,412	19,34,597	18%	16%	8,23,815	152	152	-3.7%	-3.8%	0.6
BPCL	10,462	4.5%	19,66,722	10,04,956	41%	42%	9,61,766	340	338	-3.0%	-3.3%	-2.2
CIPLA	8,993	4.2%	9,79,533	8,64,758	49%	48%	1,14,775	510	513	-0.8%	-0.7%	2.9
SHREECEM	82	4.1%	13,846	5,508	58%	49%	8,338	16345	16405	-2.2%	-2.6%	59.55
TCS	13,979	3.4%	10,35,222	8,15,866	40%	46%	2,19,356	1887	1890	-0.2%	-0.4%	3.30

Corporate News

- Government of Andhra Pradesh has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the **Adani Group** to build Data Center Parks up to 5 GW capacities in and around Visakhapatnam over the next 20 years. This ambitious project would be a first-of-its-kind 100% renewable energy powered project in the world.
- **Ashok Leyland** has bagged orders from IRT (Institute of Road Transport, Chennai), UPSRTC (Uttar Pradesh State Roadways Transport Corporation) and CTU (Chandigarh Transport Undertaking) for 2580 buses. These orders are among the largest from STU's for a single OEM. All these buses can be delivered before March 2019.
- **Glenmark Pharmaceuticals'** Suisse subsidiary, Glenmark Specialty S.A., has entered into an exclusive licensing agreement with Yuhan Corporation for commercializing its novel nasal spray Ryaltris in South Korea.
- **Dilip Buildcon's** wholly owned subsidiary -- DBL Anandapuram Anakapalli Highways has received the financial closure from the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) for the project Six laning of Anandapuram - Pendurthi - Anakapalli section of NH-5 (new NH-16) from Km.681.000 (Existing Km. 681.000) to Km.731.780 (Existing Km.742.400 (Design Length = 50.780 km) in the State of Andhra Pradesh under Bahratmala Pariyojana on Hybrid Annuity Mode. The construction period is 30 months and operation period is 15 years.
- **Tata Steel BSL** has received approval to raise funds through issuance of Non-Convertible Redeemable Preference Shares (NCRPS) to Tata Steel, on a private placement basis for an amount not exceeding to Rs 12,000 crore. The Board of Directors of the Company at its meeting held on January 09, 2019 has approved the same.
- **Ashok Leyland** has acquired additional 5,00,010 shares of Rs 10 each constituting 12.50% in the paid-up share capital of Ashley Aviation (AAL). Consequent to the said acquisition, the Company's shareholding in AAL stands increased to 88.75%. AAL is engaged in the business of aviation sector.
- **Coal India's** subsidiary -- Mahanadi Coalfields (MCL) incurred losses of Rs 60 crore on the first day of the two-day strike. Coal production of MCL, which is currently going at an average of 4.65 lakh tonne a day, is likely to plunge further from its negative growth of 0.87 per cent to around 1.31 per cent during current fiscal due to loss of working hours in various mines if the strike continues.
- **PNC Infratech's** wholly owned subsidiaries -- PNC Challakere (Karnataka) Highways and PNC Aligarh Highways have achieved financial closure letter for Hybrid Annuity Mode (HAM) Projects from National Highways Authority of India.
- **Cochin Shipyard (CSL)** has inked an Annual Maintenance Contract (AMC) with the Kerala Coastal Police for the repairs & maintenance of 23 Nos of Coastal Interceptor Boats based over 18 Coastal Police stations being operated by the state Coastal Police. The AMC Agreement, with an intended validity of 5 years, is expected to help the force in keeping these assets operational and reducing downtime.
- **Lupin** is recalling over 23,000 bottles of an antibiotic drug in the US for being sub-potent. The company is recalling the lot due to below specification results for assay.
- **GlobalSpace Technologies** has received approval for the acquisition of equity shares of Makebot Robotic Solutions. The Board of Directors of the company at their meeting held on January 9, 2019, approved the same.
- **Ramco Systems** has been chosen by a major Australian property and infrastructure group to unify its multi-country payroll operations for 11000 employees on a single platform, which is cloud, mobile and chatbot ready. The company will replace five disparate legacy platforms across Australia, Singapore and Malaysia. The new application will integrate with Workday, Oracle and Kronos.
- **Tera Software** has bagged a work order worth of Rs 324.89 crore from Andhra Pradesh State FiberNet (APSFL) and the company has signed an agreement with APSFL to act as Project Implementation Agency for BharatNet Phase-II works to establish Optical Fibre Grid Network (Supply, installation and Commissioning) in 3394 Gram Panchayats in the state of Andhra Pradesh to be commissioned in 12 months and further O&M for the period of 7 years.
- **NHPC** has restored Dulhasti Power Station on January 08, 2019. Unit 1 & Unit 2 of Dulhasti Power Station have started generation at a capacity of 256 MW, while Unit 3 is under shutdown due to annual maintenance work.
- **Subex** has launched a new brand, CrunchMetrics, an advanced anomaly detection system designed to help organizations discover business opportunities and mitigate risks in real-time. It leverages the combined power of statistics, Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML) to sift through data and identify anomalies that are a representation of business impact.

- **Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)** has been recognized as a Leader in the Everest Group PEAK Matrix for Application services in capital Markets. In an assessment of 27 global service providers offering capital markets application services, TCS was positioned highest for market impact and vision and capability. The report cites TCS' engagements in Agile/DevOps implementation and cloud services as best-in-class examples.
- **Parnami Credits** is planning to issue of Non-Convertible Debentures (NCDs) through Private Placement basis. The meeting of the Board of Directors of the company will be held on January 11, 2019, to consider the same.
- **Maruti Suzuki India** has reported 12% fall in its production to 107,478 vehicles in December 2018, as compared to 122,096 vehicles in December 2017. Of total, the company manufactured 28,406 vehicles under mini segment (including Alto, Wagon R) in December 2018, as against 32,443 units manufactured in corresponding month previous year.
- **Transgene Biotek** has been granted United State of America patent on technology for Oral delivery of Insulin and Insulin analogues.
- **Pennar Engineered Building (PEBS Pennar)**, a part of Pennar Group, a leading value-added engineering products and solutions company, is witnessing a trend where pre-engineered buildings are now finding a big preference among high-rise buildings.
- **NMDC** has received an approval from the finance ministry for the share buyback plan worth Rs 1,000 crore. The timeline for the launch of the offer will be decided by NMDC's board.
- **R Systems International** has completed the process of dissolution of Computaris USA Inc., (step down subsidiary of the company), in order to optimize the subsidiary structure of Computaris International, UK (wholly owned subsidiary of the company).
- **KSS's** subsidiary -- K Sera Box Office has incorporated a wholly Owned Subsidiary namely Chhotumaharaj Food & Hospitality. The newly incorporated subsidiary will be engage in the business of Hotels and Restaurants and yet to commence its business operations.
- **Godrej Consumer Products** has announced that an incident of fire that took place on at the premises of its Nigerian subsidiary on January 5 and 6, 2019. The fire has been contained and isolated to a part of the warehouse and a section of the production area. There was no injury or loss of life in this incident.
- **Pfizer** has reportedly planned to shut down two of its plants located at Irungattukottai in Tamil Nadu and Aurangabad in Maharashtra. The company concluded that due to the very significant long-term loss of product demand, manufacturing at these sites in not viable.
- **Indian Bank** has received approval for raising Basel III Compliant AT1 Bonds up to Rs 2200 crore and Tier 2 Bonds up to Rs 1100 crore. The bank will raise the funds in one or more tranches in the financial year 2019-20 based on the requirement.
- **Poddar Housing and Development** has received approval to raise funds aggregating up to Rs 50 crore through issuance of the 50,000 secured, Unrated, redeemable, unlisted, Non-Convertible Debentures (NCDs) of a face value of Rs 10,000 each on private placement basis.
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- **Glenmark Pharmaceuticals** is aiming a consolidated revenue growth of 12-15% over the next 3-5 years, on account of strengthening the current business of generics, branded generics, anticipated launch of dermatology and respiratory specialty products during 2019-2022, and new molecular entity (NME) products from 2023 onwards.
- **ITC** has inked pact with the Bamboo Research and Training Centre (BRTC) in Maharashtra for the supply of agarbattis (incense sticks) marketed under its Mangaldeep brand. This is part of the company's safety matches and agarbatti business unit. BRTC is an autonomous organization formed by Maharashtra Forest Department.
- **Oriental Bank of Commerce** has sold 0.8425% equity stake in NSDL e-Governance Infrastructure out of 3.125% equity stake held by the Bank prior to such sale.
- **Tata Steel BSL** has reported production of 1.04 million tonnes (MT) in Q3 FY19 as against 0.96 MT in Q3 FY18. The sales were at 0.92 MT in Q3 FY19 as compared to 1.00 MT in Q3 FY18.

Economy

➤ **India poised to become third-largest consumer market behind US, China: WEF**

With expectations of growth in Indian consumer spending, an international organization, World Economic Forum (WEF) has said that India is poised to become the third-largest consumer market behind only the US and China. It noted that domestic private consumption is expected to grow to nearly \$6 trillion by 2030 from \$1.5 trillion at present.

As per the report titled 'Future of Consumption in Fast-Growth Consumer Markets', by 2030, India will move from being an economy led by the bottom of the pyramid, to one led by the middle class. Nearly 80% of households in 2030 will be middle-income, up from about 50% currently. The middle class will drive 75% of consumer spending in 2030.

World Economic Forum further highlighted that over the next decade, consumption in fast-growth consumer markets such as China, India and Southeast Asia will be reshaped by the Fourth Industrial Revolution and more than one billion first-time consumers.

➤ **GST, central excise and service tax evasion of Rs 48,555 crore detected in April-December**

Minister of State for Finance Shiv Pratap Shukla has said that Goods and Services Tax (GST), central excise and service tax evasion worth Rs 48,555 crore detected in 8,917 cases during the April-December period of 2018-19, the highest in two years.

The Minister has stated that of this, investigation in 3,626 cases of GST evasion/violations was initiated till December in the current financial year by Central GST (CGST) formations. He pointed out that on the basis of investigation conducted so far, it emerges that the amount of tax involved in these 3,626 evasion/violations cases is estimated to be Rs 15,278.18 crore. He added that an amount of Rs 9,959.29 crore of GST evasion has been recovered during the nine-month period.

Shukla further said that in FY18, 6,815 cases of central excise, service tax and GST evasion were detected involving an amount of Rs 32,204.49 crore. He also indicated that in FY17, 10,212 cases of central excise and service tax evasion were detected involving an amount of Rs 23,618.52 crore. He added that the recovery during 2016-17 and 2017-18 stood at Rs 6,107.88 crore and Rs 4,579.94 crore, respectively. He added that up to December this fiscal, recovery in evasion cases of GST, excise and service tax stood at Rs 13,907.83 crore.

➤ **Additional capital infusion of Rs 41,000 crore into PSBs to help them lower NPAs: ICRA**

The rating agency ICRA in its latest report has said that the government's decision to infuse additional Rs 41,000 crore into cash-starved public sector banks (PSBs) for the financial year

2019 is optimistic for these lenders as it will assist them lower their losses on dud loans. It noted that the government had sought Parliament's approval for infusion of an additional Rs 41,000 crore, taking the total fund infusion to Rs 1.06 trillion in FY19. It added that with this round, the overall capital infusion into state-run banks during FY15-FY19 stands at Rs 2.56 trillion.

According to the report, the current round of recapitalisation would enhance the lending capacity of these banks and help them come out of the Reserve Bank's prompt corrective action (PCA) framework. It also pointed out that of the 21 state-owned banks, as many as 11 are under the PCA framework, which imposes lending restrictions on weak banks. It stated that after the merger of Dena and Vijaya Bank with Bank of Baroda (BoB), the number of state-run banks will come down to 19. It added that as a part of capital allocation plan for FY19, recently some state-run lenders have been allocated a relatively higher quantum of capital.

ICRA further said that this capital will enable lenders to reduce their net non-performing advances below the PCA threshold of 6 percent as well as achieving regulatory capital ratios (including capital conservation buffer of 1.875 percent required as of March 2019). Notwithstanding a higher share of capital allocation to some state-owned banks under the PCA, the agency expects capital allocation to other banks under PCA to be limited to enable them to meet the regulatory minimum capital ratios-- 7 percent of tier 1 and 9 percent of CRAR. Despite additional capital infusion, it expects most of these banks currently under the PCA to report second consecutive year of losses in FY19.

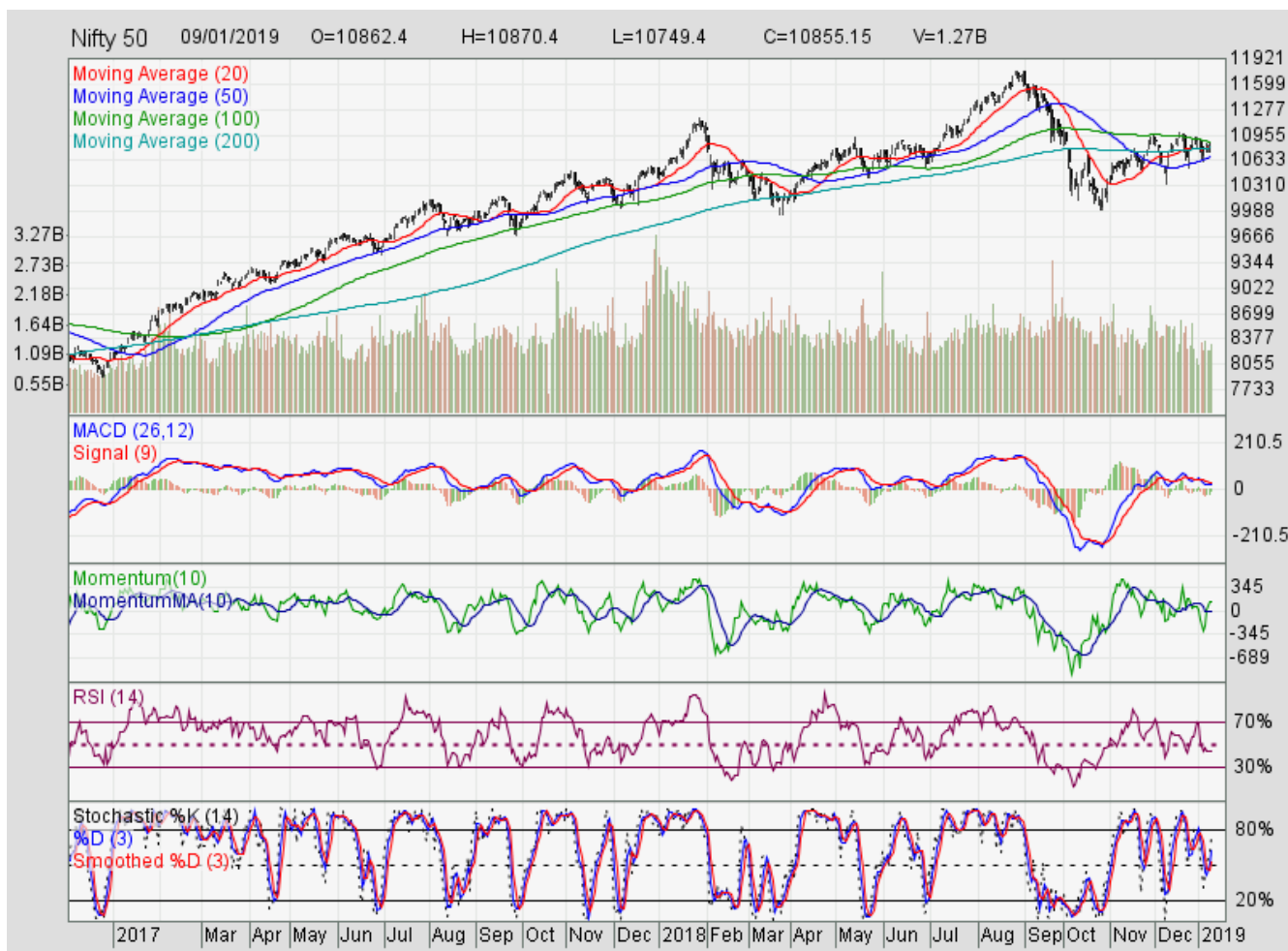
➤ **Recovery of evaded indirect taxes shoots up in FY19: Finance Ministry**

The Finance Ministry has stated that the recovery of evaded indirect taxes shot up in ongoing financial year (FY19), after a low in FY18, the year when the goods and services tax (GST) was implemented. Recovery as a percentage of the evaded taxes dropped from 26% in FY17 to 14% in FY18. Then, it went up to 29% in the first nine months (April to December) of FY19.

Though, the evasion is slated to grow more than twofold in two years, and about 50% in one year of GST implementation. It rose from Rs 23,619 crore in FY17 to Rs 48,555 in First nine months of FY19. The evaded amount of Central GST (CGST) detected is about Rs 15,278 crore. While the overall recovery amounts to Rs 13,908 crore, recovery under the CGST adds up to nearly Rs 10,000 crore. If the overall recovery rate is about 29%, the figure under CGST is 65%.

Besides, the Finance Ministry has recently stated that in the first nine months (April-December) of current financial year (FY19), the direct tax collections surged by 14.1% to Rs 8.74 lakh crore. During the same period, the refunds amounting to Rs 1.30 lakh crore have also been issued, an increase of 17% from the year-ago period.

CNX Nifty Intraday chart



Technical View

Index closed a day at 10855 with gains of 53 points after a volatile session on Wednesday and formed pin bar kind of candle pattern on daily chart which suggest indecision in the markets. Still index has strong resistance near 10900-10960 zone and support for index is coming near 10800-10750 zone. Nifty bank has support near 27650-27500 and resistance is near 27820-27950 zone..

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