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- Pakistan's External Debt and Liabilities Hit Historic High of USD122.4bn | ProPakistani: Pakistan's external debt has increased up to USUSD26bn during the last three years government tenure of Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf, as it is over USUSD122bn. Now, the volume of the external debt owed to Pakistan is over USUSD122.44bn.
- THE RUPEE: PKR: a new all-time low | BR: Pakistan's rupee ended at 169.97 against the US dollar in the inter-bank market on Tuesday, a new all-time low as the currency's slide continued to rattle the market as well as policymakers.
- Private sector borrows fast to chase higher growth target | Dawn: Before announcement of the expected hike in interest rate by the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP), the private sector geared up its borrowing from banks and changed the entire landscape within a couple of weeks by borrowing PKR172bn during the period.
- Profits, dividends: Foreign investors repatriate USD396mn in Jul-Aug | BR: Foreign investors repatriated some USD396mn on account of profit and dividend during the first two months of this fiscal year (FY22). The State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) Tuesday reported that repatriation of profit and dividend by foreign investors is on decline since the beginning of this fiscal year and fell slightly by 3% during July-Aug of this fiscal year.
- Wapda delays second green bond issue till FY23 | Dawn: The Water and Power Development Authority (Wapda) has postponed its plan of floating another green Eurobond to raise USD500mn by March next year keeping in view various internal and external factors causing increase in interest rates.
- Rising world commodity prices, Covid variants: MoF highlights downside risks to economic outlook | BR: The Finance Ministry has highlighted that there are some downside risks to the outlook of economy associated with rising international commodity prices, new variants of virus, and geopolitical dynamics especially emerged post-August 15 scenario in Afghanistan.
- Regional exports increase 34.8% in 2MFY22 | Pakistan Today: Pakistan's exports to the seven regional countries witnessed an increase of 34.75% in first two months of current financial year (2MFY22) as compared to the corresponding period of last year, the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) reported on Tuesday.
- ECC to approve 60% payment to 11 IPPs under Power Policy 2002 | News Today: Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) is set to approve 60 percent payment to IPPs under power policy 2002. Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) has already approved a 40% payment Worth PKR52.4bn of the total amount payable to IPPs of 2002 policy.
- GST dispute on power subsidy: ECC to give its decision on legality | BR: The Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) of the Cabinet is to give its verdict on legality of longstanding dispute on sales tax collection on subsidy being provided by the federal and provincial governments to consumers, well-informed sources in Nepra told Business Recorder.
- MLCF approves loan investment of PKR500mn to KTML | Mettis Global: The shareholders of Maple Leaf Cement Factory (MLCF) has approved investment in the form of loans/advances from time to time to Kohinoor Textile Mills Limited, the holding company of MLCF, up to an aggregate sum of PKR500mn for a period of one year commencing from November 01, 2021, to October 31, 2022 (both days inclusive).
- OGRA increases prescribed gas price for SSGCL by 5.4% | The News: The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) has allowed the Sui Southern Gas Company Limited (SSGCL) to charge 5.4% more charges from gas consumers to recover its multi-billion rupees of shortfall.
- CPPA-G payables: PD urges ECC to adjust pending tariff claims of KE | BR: Power Division (PD) is said to have proposed to Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) of the Cabinet to adjust pending tariff claims of Karachi Electric (KE) amounting to PKR101bn against its payables towards CPPA-G, well-informed sources told Business Recorder.
- Creditors likely to restructure Telecard's 'TFC Loan' | BR: Creditors are expected to soon restructure TeleCard's outstanding TFC loan of PKR700mn, which would pave the way for the regulatory approvals for the planned IPO of its subsidiary, Supernet, the company said. The company had raised PKR2.4bn through its TeleTFC, paying back PKR1.7bn to the creditors so far.
- Pakistani company Systems Ltd makes it to Forbes 'under USD1bn' list for second year in a row | Dawn: Lahore-based information technology company Systems Limited has been included in the Forbes list of Asia's Best Under A Billion for the second year in a row.
- Merger with AKDSL: BIPL Securities BoD approves draft scheme of arrangement | BR: The board of directors of BIPL Securities Limited (Company), in its meeting held here Tuesday, approved the draft scheme of arrangement subject to obtaining all necessary shareholders', creditors' and regulatory approvals and the sanction of the scheme by the High Court of Sindh along with fulfillment of related legal formalities.

Market Indices

	28-Sep-21	27-Sep-21	30-Jun-21
KSE 100	45,275	44,818	47,356
KSE 30	17,837	17,642	18,962
KMI 30	72,613	71,820	76,622
KSE All Shares	30,762	30,544	32,480

Volume (mn Shares)

	28-Sep-21	FYTD (Average)
KSE 100	175.4	135.3
KSE 30	77.9	44.1
KMI 30	58.4	48.9
KSE All Shares	364.4	407.3

Commodity Rates

	28-Sep-21	Daily Change	FYTD Change
Crude Oil-Brent (USD/BBL)	79.1	-0.6%	5.3%
Crude Oil-Arab Light (USD/BBL)	78.0	2.1%	8.6%
Coal (USD/Tonne)	134.4	-1.3%	51.0%
Copper(USD/Lbs)	4.2	-1.1%	-1.0%
Cotton (USD/Lbs)	96.9	2.1%	19.0%
CRC Steel (USD/Tonne)	960.0	0.0%	-19.0%

Currency (Interbank)

	28-Sep-21	Daily Change	FYTD Change
US Dollar	169.6	0.1%	7.7%
UK Pound	229.5	-1.1%	5.4%
Euro	198.1	0.0%	6.1%
UAE Dirham	46.5	0.5%	7.9%
Chinese Yuan	26.3	0.1%	7.6%

Fund Flows (USD mn)

	28-Sep-21	FYTD
FOREIGN INDIVIDUAL	-0.02	2.89
FOREIGN CORPORATES	-6.48	-86.85
OVERSEAS PAKISTANI	0.26	9.72
FIPI NET	**-6.25**	**-74.25**

Economic Data (USD mn)

	FY22E	FY21	FY20
GDP Growth	4.8%	3.9%	-0.5%
	Aug-21	**Jul-21**	
Exports	2,234	2,340	
Imports	6,463	5,601	
Remittances	2,658	2,707	
Foreign Exchange Reserves	27,228	24,777	

Money Market Data

	28-Sep-21	27-Sep-21	30-Jun-21
SBP Policy Rate	7.25	7.00	7.00
CPI Inflation	8.4%	8.4%	9.7%
3 Month T-Bill	7.60	7.60	7.28
6 Month T-Bill	8.00	8.00	7.53
12 Month T-Bill	8.76	8.69	7.81
3 Year Government Bond	9.74	9.72	8.99
5 Year Government Bond	9.96	9.95	9.49
10 Year Government Bond	10.45	10.23	9.94
3 Month KIBOR	7.77	7.78	7.45
6 Month KIBOR	8.16	8.14	7.69

Data Sources : Reuters, PSX, NCCPL, PBS, SBP