

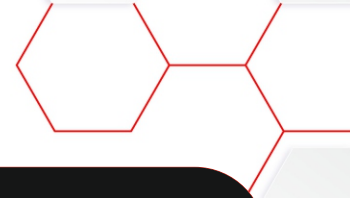


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Sensex plunges 550 points on flaring tensions in Middle East

Concerned with flaring tensions in the Middle East, equity markets fell sharply on Monday. Geopolitical tensions escalated in the Middle East after Iran launched drones and missiles against military targets in Israel on Saturday night in response to a suspected Israel attack on Iran's Syria consulate on April 1.

The rupee declined 6 paise to 83.44 against the US dollar in early trade on Monday, tracking negative equity markets and withdrawal of foreign funds amid renewed concerns over geopolitical tensions in the Middle East.

At 10:07 AM, the frontline S&P BSE Sensex was trading at 73,699 down 553 points or 0.74%. Market breadth is negative and out of a total of 3,381 shares traded on the Bombay Stock Exchange, 480 advanced while 2,792 declined and 109 remained unchanged. The broader Nifty50 was at 22,355 levels down 165 points or 0.73%.

In the broader market, the BSE Mid Cap and Small Cap indices declined 1.8% and 2.47%, respectively.

The broad-based selling was led by the Nifty Realty index (down 2.3%), and the Nifty PSU bank index (down 1.5%).

WEEKLY REVIEW – APRIL 8 – APRIL 12, 2024

Indian equity indices snapped three-week winning streak to end the truncated week on a flat note. On a weekly basis, the Nifty clocked small gains while the Sensex declined. Both headline indices attained fresh record highs this week. The Nifty settled above the 22,500 level.

India's retail inflation eased to a 10-month low of 4.85% on an annual basis in March from 5.09% in the previous month. India's industrial output growth as per the Index of Industrial Production (IIP) accelerated to 5.7% in February from 3.8% in January 2024, indicating a growth in the manufacturing sector of the Indian economy.

In the week ended on Friday, 12 April 2024, the S&P BSE Sensex declined 3.32 points to settle at 74,244.90. The Nifty 50 index added 5.7 points or 0.03% to close at 22,519.40. The BSE Mid Cap index advanced 0.19% to end at 40,909.03. The BSE Small Cap index decreased 0.35% to close at 45,872.07.

Indices	Last close	One-day change in %	One month change in %	% YTD change in %
Domestic				
S&P BSE Sensex	74,244.90	-1.06	0.78	2.77
Nifty 50	22,519.40	-1.03	0.82	3.63
S&P BSE 200	10,275.72	-0.87	2.16	6.61
S&P BSE 500	32,772.26	-0.83	2.74	6.68
S&P BSE Midcap	40,909.03	-0.49	4.26	11.05
S&P BSE Smallcap	45,872.07	-0.6	7.1	7.49
S&P BSE Auto	49,732.34	-0.59	3.72	17.77
S&P BSE Bankex	54,884.37	-0.91	2.27	0.93
S&P BSE Cap Goods	62,251.73	-0.49	6.68	11.88
S&P BSE Consumer Durables	53,028.38	-1.39	2.51	6.06
S&P BSE FMCG	19,334.04	-1.1	0.62	-5.54
S&P BSE Healthcare	35,261.84	-1.23	2.14	11.77
S&P BSE IT	35,781.66	-0.84	-5.07	-0.64
S&P BSE Metal	30,348.42	-0.55	8.55	12.44
S&P BSE Oil & Gas	28,245.21	-1.28	0.44	22.69
S&P BSE Power	7,027.27	-0.77	5.52	20.77
S&P BSE Realty	7,496.45	-0.96	8.64	21.17

GLOBAL MARKETS

Asian shares slumped and gold prices rose on Monday as risk sentiment took a hit after Iran's retaliatory attack on Israel stoked fears of a wider regional conflict and kept traders on edge.

The dollar scaled a fresh 34-year high against the yen on growing expectations that sticky inflationary pressures in the United States will keep rates there higher for longer.

Markets in Asia began the week on a cautious footing. MSCI's broadest index of Asia-Pacific shares outside Japan fell 0.7% after Iran had, late on Saturday, launched explosive drones and missiles at Israel in retaliation for a suspected Israeli attack on its consulate in Syria on April 1.

Japan's Nikkei slid more than 1%, while Australia's S&P/ASX 200 index lost 0.6%. Hong Kong's Hang Seng Index slumped 0.8%.

US stock market indices ended sharply lower on Friday after earnings of major US banks failed to impress and looming geopolitical tensions.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average declined 475.84 points, or 1.24%, to 37,983.24, while the S&P 500 fell 75.65 points, or 1.46%, to 5,123.41. The Nasdaq Composite closed 267.10 points, or 1.62%, lower at 16,175.09.

RUPEE, OIL & FIIs

Indian Rupee: On Friday, the rupee closed 7 paise lower at 83.38 against the US dollar. India's forex reserves jumped by \$2.98 billion to a fresh peak of \$648.562 billion for the week ended April 5, the RBI said on Friday.

Crude Oil: Crude oil prices were muted after Iran's drone and missile attacks on Israel.

Brent crude futures, the global benchmark, rose 0.07% to \$90.51 a barrel, while the US West Texas Intermediate (WTI) contracts eased 0.07% to \$85.60 per barrel.

FPIs: Foreign investors have infused over Rs 13,300 crore in Indian equities in the first two weeks of the month owing to a resilient domestic economy with promising growth prospects.

According to the data with the depositories, FPIs made a net investment of Rs 13,347 crore in Indian equities this month (till April 12). Although, Friday witnessed FPI selling to the tune of Rs 8,027 crore.

FPIs were net sellers for four out of five sessions in Indian markets last week and the net outflow stands at Rs 3,835.75 crore, while the inflows and outflows by domestic institutional investors (DIIs) counterbalanced each other last week, according to stock exchange data.

International

DJIA*	38,459.08	-0.01	-0.8	2.04
Nasdaq Composite*	16,442.20	1.68	2.64	9.53
Nikkei 225 (Japan)	39,523.55	0.21	1.87	18.11
Straits Times (Singapore)	3,216.91	-0.33	2.4	-0.72
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	16,721.69	-2.18	-2.18	-1.91
Kospi Composite (Seoul)	2,681.82	-0.93	0	1
FTSE 100 (London)	7,923.80	-0.47	3.32	2.46
Cac 40 (France)*	8,023.74	-0.27	0.05	6.37
Xetra Dax (Germany)*	17,954.48	-0.79	1.17	7.18
S&P 500 (US)*	5,199.06	0.74	1.59	9
Shanghai (China)	3,019.47	-0.49	-1.19	1.5
MICEX (Russia)*	3,452.93	0.39	3.61	11.42
Bovespa (Brazil)*	1,27,396.35	-0.51	1.01	-5.06
JCI (Indonesia)	Closed	NA	NA	0
SET (Thailand)	Closed	NA	NA	0

***Data as of Apr 11**

FII equity investments, Rs cr

	Buy	Sell	Net	MTD
10-Apr	13,830.00	10,599.00	3,231.00	13,347.00
Mar-24	3,49,396.70	3,18,499.69	30,897.01	
Feb-24	3,46,071.09	3,42,071.05	4,000.04	
Jan-24	3,34,371.62	3,60,482.66	-26,111.04	
Dec-23	3,10,626.00	2,52,127.73	58,498.27	
Nov-23	2,59,204.53	2,40,026.67	19,177.86	
Oct-23	1,94,916.98	2,17,029.93	-22,112.95	
Last Close	31,364.00	22,837.00	8,527.00	
6 Months average	2,99,097.82	2,88,372.96	10,724.87	

MF equity investments, Rs cr

	Buy	Sell	Net	MTD
10-Apr	9,390.00	7,029.00	2,361.00	1,952.00*
Mar-24	201194.39	157327.2	43867.19	
Feb-24	193495.11	178241.96	15253.15	
Jan-24	212804.1	189734.7	23069.4	
Dec-23	184663.33	161059.58	23603.75	
Nov-23	106323.62	88998.6	17325.02	
Oct-23	109154.74	89242.61	19912.13	
Last Close	272	297	-25	
6 Months average	1,67,939.22	1,44,100.78	23,838.44	

-MF Data as of Apr 9

WEEK AHEAD

India Inc is all set to enter a new corporate earnings season next week. Domestic and global macroeconomic data, trend in global stock markets, the movement of rupee against the dollar and crude oil prices will also dictate trend on the bourses. Investment by foreign portfolio investors (FPIs) and domestic institutional investors (DIIs) will also be monitored.

Domestic stock markets will remain closed on Wednesday, 17 April 2024 on account of Ram Navami.

On the economic front, the Wholesale price index (WPI) inflation data for March is due today.

On the political front, India is gearing up for its election in 2024. The elections will occur in 7 phases, starting on 19 April and ending on 1 June. The Lok Sabha elections 2024 results will be declared on 4 June 2024.

Overseas, China's first quarter gross domestic product (GDP) data will be announced on 16 April 2024.

Japan will announce inflation rate for March on 19 April 2024. US Retail Sales data for March will be declared on 15 April 2024.

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