

**INDICES**

	Today	Prev.	Change
BSE	17441.44	17460.95	19.51
NSE	5235.90	5237.10	-1.20
DJIA	9686.48	9686.48	-
NASDAQ	2091.79	2091.79	-
FTSE	4823.53	4838.09	-14.56
DAX	5816.20	5834.15	17.95
CAC	3332.46	3348.37	-15.91

ACTIVITY INDICATORS**Market Breath (BSE)**

Number of Advance	1576
Number of Declines	1296
Unchanged	102
Total Trades	2974

BSE GAINERS (TOP 5)

Company	Today	Prev.	%Change
Katara Spinning	19.20	16	3.2
Schrader Duncan	207.40	172.85	34.55
Choksi Laboratories	26.95	22.55	4.4
Zenith Computers	32.10	27.15	4.95
Eilatex Fashion	11.94	10.11	1.83

BSE LOSERS (TOP 5)

Company	Today	Prev.	%Change
RNRL	46.30	63.65	-17.35
Dynamic Industries	16.75	18.60	-1.85
Bright Brothers	66.10	73.05	-6.95
Saamya Biotech	10.94	12	-1.06
Arrow Textiles	10.78	11.74	-0.96

INSTITUTIONAL ACTIVITY (Rs in Crs)

	BUY	SELL	NET
FII's (NET)	877.94	1098.49	-220.55
DII's (NET)	572.74	623.97	-51.23

CURRENCIES & BOND MARKET

	Today	Prev.
Rs/ US \$	46.78	46.59
Rs/ Euro	58.56	57.88
Euro/US \$	1.2522	1.2429

COMMODITIES

	Today	Prev.
Nymex Oil (US\$/bbl)	71.65	74.05
Gold (US\$/oz)	1206.95	1234.05

Market News➤ **Bharat Bandh: Impact on industry and economy**

The all India bandh called by the opposition to protest the fuel price hike brought large parts of the country to a standstill on Monday. There were sporadic incidents of violence reported from some parts but the bandh was by and large peaceful. The non-Congress ruled states particularly Kerala and West Bengal had the maximum impact. Among the Congress ruled states, Maharashtra was the worst hit. Air, road and train services were affected and 86 flights out of Mumbai were cancelled. The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) has said the bandh has led to significant impact on business and trade in some parts of the country. According to CII, there is a loss of Rs 3,000 Crs to the Indian economy due to the day long shutdown called by opposition parties against the hike in fuel prices.

➤ **Sensex down third day in a row; RNRL plunges**

Indian stocks fell on Monday after the central bank increased interest rates for the third time this year to control inflation. The Bombay Stock Exchange's Sensex Index fell 19.51, or 0.1%, to 17,441.44. The gauge declined for the third day after swinging between gains and losses at least 26 times. The S&P CNX Nifty Index on the National Stock Exchange was little changed at 5235.90. The BSE 200 Index was flat at 2,223.58.

Trading volume on the National Stock Exchange was at least 25% lower than last week's average as a national 12-hour strike protesting inflation called by opposition political parties deterred some people from going to work. Maruti Suzuki India Ltd, maker of half the cars sold in India, dropped 1.4%. Reliance Natural Resources Ltd, a natural gas supplier owned by Anil Ambani, plunged by a record after the billionaire arranged to sell the company to his Reliance Power Ltd at a discount.

➤ **Monsoon gathers pace, boosts farm outlook**

Monsoon rains have advanced into the key grain producing states of Punjab and Haryana, continuing a rapid revival after falling 16% short of normal in June. The shortfall in rains since June 1 has now narrowed to 13% after five days of heavy rainfall, data from the weather office showed on Monday. The recovery of the June-September monsoon, the main source of water for summer-sown crops, allayed fears of crop losses in one of the world's top producers and consumers of cotton, rice and sugar, and the biggest importer of vegetable oils. It also calmed worries about double-digit percent inflation that have put the government under pressure and galvanized opposition parties, which organized their biggest protest in recent years on Monday.

➤ **India rubber seen steady; record price cuts demand**

Indian rubber prices, which rose to a record last week, are likely to tread water as higher prices squeeze demand, even as farmers hold back stocks, unwilling to sell at lower levels, dealers said. "Tyre makers are cautious. They are making small purchases in the spot market and preferring to use inventory," said a member of Cochin Rubber Merchants Association.

The spot price of the most traded RSS-4 rubber (ribbed smoked sheet) hit a record high of Rs 18,100 per 100 kg in Kottayam, Kerala, last week, the Rubber Board data showed. Spot market was closed on Monday due to a nationwide strike. Rubber prices have nearly doubled in past one year on a drop in output due to a drought and good demand from tyre-makers, which were trying to fulfill exponential demand from automobile industry.

World News

➤ **Greece Budget Deficit Show Signs Of Easing, Down 41% In First Six Months**

Greek state's budget deficit declined by 41 percent in the first six months this year compared to the same period in 2009, Bank of Greece announced on Monday. The budget deficit, which is the net balance of the state budget including movements in public debt management accounts, from January to July 2010 dropped to 11.450 Bn euros (14.357 Bn U.S. dollars) from 19.685 Bn euros (24.683 Bn U. S. dollars) at the same period of last year, said a statement released by the Bank of Greece. In regards to ordinary budget revenues, from January to July this year, they were increased to 23.2 Bn euros (25.09 Bn dollars) from 21.74 Bn euros (27.26 Bn dollars) the same period in 2009, while ordinary budget expenditure declined to 30.2 Bn euros (37.87 Bn dollars) compared to 35.6 Bn euros (44.64 Bn dollars) during the first six months last year.

European Union and International Monetary Fund closely follow the developments in Greek economy. Since May they proved financial support to Athens to slash the debt burden and return to the right path of growth by 2014 amidst fears of a domino effect across the eurozone.

➤ **Shanghai Composite closes at new 15-month low**

Shanghai's Composite Index fell 0.8% to end at a fresh 15-month low after a measure for China's services industry fell for a third month in June, according to HSBC Holdings and Markit Economics. The Shanghai benchmark finished at 2,364, its lowest level since April 9, 2009. Shanghai-listed shares of Bank of China ended 0.9% lower, its first session of trade since announcing plans to raise up to 60 Bn yuan (\$8.9 Bn) from a rights issue in Hong Kong and Shanghai.

Economy News

➤ **Government plans sugar import tax in 2010/11: Pawar**

The government plans to impose a tax on white sugar imports in the new season that starts in October, but it will wait until it gets a clear picture of the cane crop in the next two months, Farm Minister Sharad Pawar said. India allowed tax-free imports of sugar last year to calm soaring prices and overcome a domestic shortfall as farmers had reduced cane planting and the crop was damaged by a severe drought. However, sugar prices have fallen and Indian millers say imports would be cheaper than local output unless the government levies a tax again. The June-September monsoon rains are a key influence on cane output, particularly in Uttar Pradesh. Rainfall was 16% below normal in June, but has revived sharply in the past week. The total picture on cane will be clear in August-September. The government is also considering reversing its earlier decision to increase the amount of sugar millers are forced to sell to official agencies at low state-set prices for welfare schemes.

Corporate News

➤ **RIL-RNRL GSMA to provide gas to Greenfield power plant**

The gas supply master agreement (GSMA) signed between Reliance Industries (RIL) and Reliance Natural Resource (RNRL) will provide for gas supply to Greenfield Power plant provided RNRL receives prior allocation by the government. This is a clear departure that from the stand that RIL has been taking since 2006. Reliance Power is planning to set up a gas power project to the tune of 8000 MW, which will be a boast to the company. It is also learnt that GSMA allows RIL to sign similar GSPAs with other companies. GSMA is not just for Krishna-Godavari (KG) basin but for NELP blocks. Both the power and oil ministry are drafting a policy on gas utilization as far as Greenfield Power Plants are concerned. Right now, it is only for existing fertilizer and power plants. The GSMA between the two companies is valid for 12 years, till March 31, 2022.

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