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# Bulls dominate but bears triumph at close; bourse bites 15 points on profit-taking

Despite the strong presence of bullish sentiment at start, the bourse closed at 43,250.84, down by a meager -15.38 points. The index stabilized at 43,700+ level during midday, however; it took a quick dip towards the red zone during final trading hours. We believe Investors seized the opportunity to grab profits as stiff resistance were witnessed at these levels towards close. Going forward, given the positive overall sentiment, we expect bullish trend to continue through the week.

The major scrips that dragged the index down were HUBC (-40 pts), LUCK (-36 pts), PPL (-28 pts), OGDC (-24 pts) and TRG (-20 pts). The bourse found its support and resistance at 43,126.48 points and 43,709.71 points respectively.

Refineries sector remained in the spotlight gaining a total volume of 92mn shares. The OMCs sector was the second most traded sector with 73mn shares while the Technology & Communication sector totaled 72mn shares.

The bourse witnessed a volume of 702mn shares with the traded value reaching PKR 29bn. Despite closing in red, the advance to decline ratio favored the bulls as 183 scrips closed green, 182 closed red and 19 remained unchanged.

### **News & Corporate Announcements:**

A magnetic bomb, stuck to a vehicle, was diffused by the Bomb Disposal Squad (BDS) near the Bilawal Chowrangi area in Karachi on Tuesday. The BDS team was called in after the Sindh Police was informed about unknown persons planting a bomb on a vehicle near the Bilawal House. SSP Zubair Nazir said a 200-metre area was cordoned off and people evacuated as the BDS inspected the explosive-ridden vehicle.

Pakistan is planning to provide financial assistance to fishermen in order to promote entrepreneurship for economic empowerment.

The federal government is going to offer direct funding to the fishermen under its flagship "Kamyab Jawan" (successful youth) programme. The programme offers loans to skilled and qualified youth for entrepreneurship

The Supreme Court was informed on Monday that the national flag carrier had cleared 110 pilots out of the 141 whose licences to fly had been suspended against the backdrop of the fake degrees controversy.

The export of Pakistani goods to Afghanistan via Torkham border came to a halt on Monday after the local clearing agents stopped work to protest lack of facilities at the border crossing.

Malaysian car manufacturer company Proton is all set to launch in Pakistan. Proton will introduce its first line of intelligent automobiles in partnership with Al-Haj Automotive. Al-Haj Group was incorporated as a private limited company in 2006 and has been awarded with Green Field Status to assemble Proton in Pakistan.

Market Summary	
Current Index	43,250.84
Change	-15.38
Percent change	-0.04
High	43,709.71
Low	43,126.48
Volume traded (mn shares)	405.41
Value traded (PKR mn)	19.00

Source: PSX and AAH Research









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Rating - Expected Total Return Buy - Greater than 10% Hold - Neither Buy nor Sell Sell - Less than and equal to -10%

## Valuation Methodology

To arrive at our 12-months Price Target, ABA Ali Habib Research uses different valuation methods which include: 1). DCF methodology, 2). Relative valuation methodology, and 3). Asset-based valuation methodology. In this report, our PT is founded on FCFF based DCF methodology.

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