April 27, 2021

Market Outlook

Indian markets are likely to see a flattish opening on the back of mixed global cues and climbing new Covid-19 cases in the country that could derail the economic recovery. However, global news flows and sector specific development will be key monitorables.

Markets Yesterday

- Domestic markets ended higher tracking gains mainly in BFSI and metal stocks amid positive global cues
- US markets ended mixed amid gains in tech stocks ahead of quarterly earnings and Federal Reserve's monetary decision

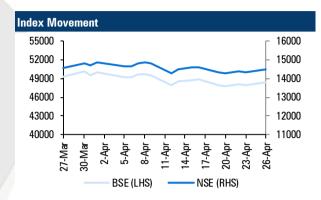
Key Developments

- For Bajaj Finance, loan growth has picked up as per guidance to 4% YoY, 7% QoQ to ₹ 153000 crore. However, new loan addition was at 55 lakh vs. 60 lakh QoQ. NII is seen declining 3% YoY to ₹ 4533 crore but improving 5% QoQ. NIM stability to continue. Provisions are expected to remain elevated at ₹ 1620 crore, citing recent lockdowns and full recognition of NPAs from proforma slippages. PAT is estimated to grow at 20% YoY and flat QoQ to ₹ 1134 crore
- HDFC AMC is expected to see a sequential improvement in AUM at ₹ 4.2 lakh crore. However, moderation in market share is expected to continue further. Marginal improvement in AUM mix and base effect is seen leading to 9% YoY growth in revenue from operation to ₹ 521 crore. Steady other income and controlled expense trajectory is seen leading PBT to ₹ 491 crore, 47 bps of AUM. PAT is seen remaining sequentially flat at ₹ 368 crore, ~35 bps of closing AUM

Nifty Heat Map 1,312 700 591 6.276 656 ICICI Bank JSW Steel Axis Bank Ultratech Grasim Ind 4.3% 3.7% 3.2% 3.4% 2.7% 704 344 2.361 2.370 216 **HDFC** Life SBI HUL Ficher Power Grid 2.6% 2.3% 2.3% 2.3% 2.2% 943 3,739 Reliance 1,938 941 Asian 2.558 SBILife Bajaj Auto Tata Steel **Paints** Ind. 2.1% 1.8% 1.8% 1.6% 1.6% Bajaj 4,737 1,760 16,871 962 1,480 TechM Kotak Bank Nestle Finance 1.5% 1.5% 1.5% 1.3% 1.3% 860 670 480 Indusind Tata 1.336 Bharti 528 Wipro L&T Bank Consum 1.0% 1.1% 1.0% 1.0% 591 10,002 Bajaj 731 1.344 UPL Adani Ports Infosys Coal India Finserv 0.9% 0.9% 0.7% 0.7% 0.6% 88 2.510 Tata 295 103 781 HDFC Itd ONGC M&M Motors 0.5% 0.5% 0.4% 0.3% 0.2% 3,784 2,865 5,067 NTPC Divis Lab Hero Moto Dr Reddy ITC 0.1% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0% -0.1% 28,063 348 Sun 635 6,639 Shree 3,101 TCS Hindalco Maruti Cement Pharma -0.2% -0.5% -0.6% -0.3% 0.3%1,405 3.539 905 419 929 HDFC Bank **BPCL** HCI Tech Cipla Britannia

Today's Highlights

Results: Axis Bank, Bajaj Finance, Maruti Suzuki India, HDFC AMC, Nippon India AMC, VST Industries, Sanofi, United Breweries, Syngene, Hindustan Zinc



	Close	Previous	Chg (%)	MTD(%)	YTD(%)
Sensex	48,387	47,878	1.1	-1.5	1.3
Nifty	14,485	14,341	1.0	-0.3	3.6

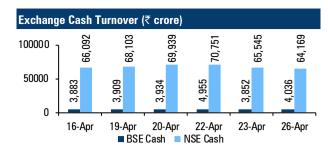
Institutional Activity								
	CY19	CY20	YTD CY21	Yesterday	Last 5 Days			
FII (₹ cr)	40,893	64,379	42,922	-1,112	-4,549			
DII (₹ cr)	44,478	-28,544	-14,412	1,023	6,882			

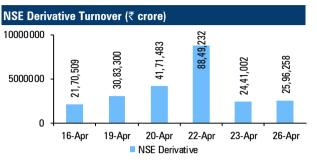
World Indices – Monthly performance								
Nasdaq	Kospi	France	Germany	U.K.				
14,139	3,218	6,276	15,296	6,963				
7.6%	5.8%	4.8%	3.7%	3.3%				
Dow Jones	Shanghai	NSE	Nikkei	BSE				
33,982	3,441	14,485	29,126	48,387				
2.8%	0.7%	-0.2%	-0.2%	-1.3%				

Markets Today (Updated till yesterday)									
Commodities	Close	Previous	Chng (%)	MTD(%)	YTD(%)				
Gold (₹/10 gm)	47,462	47,532	-0.2	6.4	-5.3				
Silver (₹/kg)	68,615	68,674	-0.1	7.6	0.8				
Crude (\$/barrel)	66.0	66.1	-0.1	3.9	27.3				
Copper (\$/tonne)	9,552	9,401	1.6	8.8	23.2				
Currency									
USD/INR	74.7	75.0	-0.4	-2.9	-3.0				
EUR/USD	1.2	1.2	-0.1	3.0	-1.0				
USD/YEN	108.1	107.9	0.2	2.7	-4.3				
ADRs									
HDFC Bank	69.4	69.3	0.2	-10.6	-3.9				
ICICI Bank	15.1	15.0	0.4	-5.9	1.5				
Tata Motors	19.7	19.2	2.6	-5.0	55.0				
Infosys	17.9	17.9	0.2	-4.4	5.5				
Dr Reddys Labs	68.1	68.7	-1.0	11.0	-4.6				
Wipro	7.2	7.2	0.0	13.1	26.9				

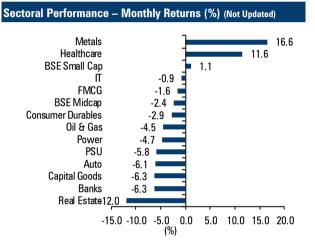


Key Economic Indicator	Period	Latest	Prior Values
RBI Cash Reserve Ratio	N/A	3.50%	3.00%
RBI Repo Rate	N/A	4.00%	4.00%
RBI Reverse Repo Rate	N/A	3.35%	3.35%
CPI YY	Mar	5.52%	5.03%
Current Account Balance	Q 3	-1.7bln \$	15.1bln \$
Exports - USD	Mar	34.5 bln\$	27.9 bln\$
FX Reserves, USD Final	Mar	577 bln\$	585 bln\$
GDP Quarterly yy	Q 3	0.40%	-7.50%
GDP Annual	FY20	4.20%	6.10%
Imports - USD	Mar	48.4 bln \$	40.5 bln \$
Industrial Output yy	Feb	-3.60%	-1.60%
Manufacturing Output	Feb	-3.70%	-2.00%
Trade Deficit Govt - USD	Mar	-13.9bln \$	-12.6bln \$
WPI Food yy	Mar	5.28%	3.31%
WPI Fuel yy	Mar	10.25%	0.58%
WPI Inflation yy	Mar	7.39%	4.17%
WPI Manuf Inflation yy	Mar	7.34%	5.81%





Corporate Action Tra	cker				
Security name	Action	Ex Date	Record Date	Status	Price (₹)
Jagran Prakashan	Buyback			Ongoing	
Shalby	0FS			Ongoing	
HCL Technologies	Dividend	29-Apr-21	01-May-21		16.00
Nestle India	Dividend	29-Apr-21			90.00



Company/l ndustry	News	View	Impact
SBI Cards	SBI Cards reported a fall in NII by 18.3% YoY, 8.7% QoQ to ₹ 828 crore owing to a contraction in margins. NIMs declined 130 bps QoQ as a result of the fall in yields from 18.6% to 17.1% QoQ due to reduced level of revolvers in receivables mix. Provisions were flattish at ₹ 643 crore QoQ while PAT was at ₹175 crore, up 108% YoY, down 17% QoQ. Spends declined 4.9% QoQ to ₹ 35943 crore. Total card base for the company was at 1.18 crore with market share of 19.0% vs. 18.8% QoQ. Asset quality deteriorated slightly as GNPA increased to 4.99% from 4.51% (proforma) in the previous quarter	thus, partial lockdown near term outlook on growth and asset quality could remain volatile. However, long term prospects of gradual recovery in spends remain intact	



Tech Mahindra	Tech Mahindra's (TechM) revenues increased 0.7% QoQ in constant currency terms mainly led by 1.1% QoQ growth in enterprise revenues. The company also reported EBITDA margin improvement of 45 bps QoQ to 20%. The order book increased from US\$455 million to US\$1043 million mainly led by robust growth in enterprise and communication segment	impacted due to delay in deal closure. However, the company expects deals to ramp up in coming quarter. In addition, TechM has seen healthy deal wins in the current quarter and expects improving	
Castrol India	Castrol India's revenue increased 65.5% YoY to ₹ 1138.7 crore in Q1CY21. EBITDA at ₹ 340.1 crore was up 96.6% YoY while gross margins was ₹ 613.2 crore against ₹ 392.5 crore in Q1CY20. PAT was at ₹ 243.6 crore, up 94.6% YoY	India's revenue jumped sharply YoY as demand was affected due to lockdown in the base quarter. While the company	\Leftrightarrow
Banking sector	RBI, in its recent circular on governance standard, has capped the tenures of MD & CEO/ Whole time director to 15 years and for promoter cum MD and CEO to 12 years. However, in extraordinary circumstances, RBI, at its sole discretion, can extend the term to 15 years. Re-appointment of MD/CEO can be considered after a three year cooling period but during this time that person cannot be associated with the bank or its group entities in any capacity. The guidelines will not be applicable to those whose term has already been extended by the RBI and they will be allowed to serve their full term	Bank as the bank's MD & CEO is unlikely to get a further extension beyond January 2024. It is neutral for HDFC Bank, IndusInd Bank, Axis as their CEOs as can continue for over a decade. For City Union, the CEO's term ends in May 2026. For DCB, Federal and RBL, the CEO's term would end in 2021 but the RBI may at its discretion extend their term, which needs to be watched	\Leftrightarrow
Sagar Cement	The board of directors of Sagar Cements has approved the merger of its wholly owned subsidiary with it subject to further regulatory approvals	getting merged into the company, there	\Leftrightarrow

Key developments (Continued...)

- Maruti Suzuki (MSIL) is expected to report a steady Q4FY21 performance amid limited QoQ decline in sales volume & calibrated price hikes undertaken to partially mitigate rise in input costs. Total sales volume for Q4FY21 was at 4.92 lakh units (up 28% YoY, down 1% QoQ). Consequent total operating income for Q4FY21 is expected at ₹ 24,380 crore (up 34% YoY, 4% QoQ) amid 5% QoQ increase in blended ASPs at ₹ 4.7 lakh/unit. EBITDA for the quarter is expected at ₹ 2,148 crore with EBITDA margins at 8.8%, down 70 bps QoQ. Ensuring PAT is expected at ₹ 1,560 crore (up 21% YoY, down 20% QoQ)
- Axis Bank is expected to post advances growth of ~7% YoY to ₹ 611423 crore while deposit is expected to rise 15% YoY with stable CASA at 44.4%. We expect NII to rise ~14% YoY on the back of sequential improvement in NIMs. C/I ratio is likely to go down sequentially by ~90-100 bps as the previous quarter had increased employee provisions. Credit cost is expected to remain elevated at ~70 bps as the management had indicated they would not like to spill over Covid related burden to next fiscal. Reported GNPA is expected to rise to ~4.5% due to lifting of standstill norms. Net profit for the quarter is estimated at ₹ 1449 crore
- During Q4FY21, zinc prices witnessed a healthy uptick both QoQ, YoY. In dollar terms, LME zinc prices during the quarter were up 5% QoQ, 29% YoY to US\$2749/tonne. On the other hand, lead prices for Q4FY21 were at US\$2011/tonne, up 9% YoY, 6% QoQ. For Q4FY21, we expect Hindustan Zinc (HZL) to report, zinc sales of ~192000 tonne (up 11% YoY, 5% QoQ), lead sales of ~54500 tonne (up 14% YoY, 3% QoQ) and silver sales of ~187500 kg (up 30% YoY, 2% QoQ). HZL's topline is likely to increase 47% YoY, 7% QoQ to ₹ 6435 crore. EBITDA is likely to increase 83% YoY, 10% QoQ to ₹ 3594 crore while PAT is likely to increase 76% YoY, 7% QoQ to ₹ 2353 crore. Furthermore, we expect the EBITDA margin to come in at 55.8% (compared to 44.7% in Q4FY20 and 54.2% in Q3FY21)
- United Breweries' Q4FY21 volumes are expected to de-grow 5% YoY to 29.7 million cases while net revenues are expected to de-grow 3% YoY to ₹ 1380 crore, due to lower physical occupancy in the on-trade channels. However, absolute EBITDA is expected to grow 44% to ₹ 190 crore, mainly due to higher gross margins and lower other expenses (margins expected to expand 451 bps to 13.8%). Subsequently, PAT is expected to double (2.4x) to ₹ 100 crore mainly due to higher operational performance and lower depreciation
- HDFC Life reported healthy premium growth with balanced product mix leading to steady traction in earnings. Gross premium growth for HDFC Life was healthy at 21.6% YoY to ₹ 12911 crore, led by steady traction in renewal (up 14.9% YoY) and new business premium (up 28.9% YoY). On APE basis, premiums increased 36.3% YoY to ₹ 2806 crore. Commission ratio and claim ratio increased YoY but, healthy premium accretion led to surplus at ₹ 434 crore PAT for the quarter was at ₹ 318 crore, flattish YoY. NBM improved by ~60 bps QoQ to 27%, supported by buoyant persistency. Indian embedded value was at ₹ 26620 crore as of March 2021, up 18.5% YoY
- Delta Corp reported 16.8% YoY growth in the revenues to ₹ 211.4 crore for Q4FY21. Among the three verticals, revenues from online skill gaming and hospitality declined while gaming operations saw 32% YoY jump in the revenues. EBITDA margins expanded 1100 bps YoY to 37%. In turn, this led to net profit growth of 99% YoY to ₹ 57.8 crore
- Snowman Logistics reported its Q4FY21 results. While its revenues grew 5% YoY (7% QoQ) to ₹ 64 crore, its EBITDA grew 9% YoY (flat QoQ) to ₹ 17 crore (mainly due to better EBITDA margins at 26.2% vs 25.2%). However, PAT arrived at a loss of ₹ 0.4 crore vs. a loss of ₹ 1.2 crore YoY, as operational performance was negated by depreciation and interest expense
- Schaeffler's Q4FY21 revenue grew 42% YoY to ₹ 1316.8 crore. The same grew 3% on a QoQ basis. EBIDTA margins came in at 16.2% vs. 14.8% on a YoY basis, an improvement of ~ 140 bps. However, on a QoQ basis, EBIDTA margins declined 180 bps. Absolute EBIDTA grew 55% YoY to ₹ 212.8 crore, whereas it de-grew 7% sequentially. PAT grew 78% YoY to ₹ 139.54 crore with entailing margins at 10%
- As per media sources, the Tamil Nadu government has allowed Vedanta's Sterlite Industries to produce medical oxygen in its plant in Tuticorin for four months in light of the rapidly growing demand for the gas amid surge in Covid case. Vedanta can operate oxygen producing and related equipment only and it cannot produce copper or any other material
- As per media sources, SAIL's Bhilai steel mill will undertake a short shutdown to boost liquid oxygen supply in the country. The company has indicated that the closure will boost oxygen supply by 15 tonnes and will not affect dispatches
- Glenmark's innovative product, Ryaltris (olopatadine hydrochloride + mometasone furoate) nasal spray has been approved in Europe (17 EU countries) for the first-line treatment of allergic rhinitis in patients over 12 years of age. Glenmark will commercialise Ryaltris on its own in select markets whereas in some countries such as France, Italy, Spain and the Balkan region, Menarini Group will commercialise the product, as part of an exclusive licensing agreement signed with Glenmark in 2020
- Wipro Ltd has announced the implementation of a digital experience platform for Bristol Water to modernise critical infrastructure. As part of this implementation, Wipro will develop a new cloud-based solution. This advanced platform will allow Bristol Water to stay ahead of regulatory requirements and enhance their customer and developer experience

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Opening Bell

• Mindtree has partnered with Duck Creek to improve customer experience for UPC Insurance customers through the implementation of SaaS-based core systems

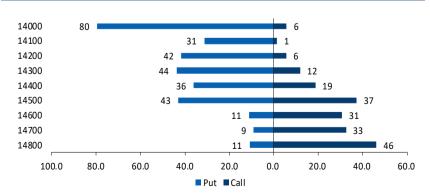
- As reported in Mint, Hindi GEC channels have scheduled their shoots outside Maharashtra. This led to 25% increase in programming costs
- Cinema halls in Kerala will be shut from today onwards as per the state government's new restrictions to curb the Covid-19 spread

Nifty Daily Chart



Pivot Points						
Index/Stocks	Trend	Close	S 1	S2	R1	R2
SENSEX	Positive	48386.5	48136	47886	48652	48918
Nifty 50	Positive	14485.0	14419	14352	14555	14624
ACC Ltd	Positive	1492.1	1471	1451	1505	1519
Axis Bank Ltd	Positive	2557.9	2533	2509	2578	2599
GODREJ PROPERTIE	Positive	1366.3	1330	1293	1390	1413
SBI	Positive	344.3	341	336	349	352
GRANULES INDIA	Negative	325.6	321	318	332	339
CUMMINS INDIA	Positive	876.8	858	839	890	902
Tata Motors	Neutral	295.4	293	292	297	300
JSW STEEL LTD	Positive	655.8	643	630	666	674
BHARAT HEAVY ELE	Positive	46.2	45	45	46	47
TCS	Neutral	3100.8	3075	3049	3140	3179
HERO MOTOCORP LT	Positive	2864.6	2838	2810	2886	2906
CONTAINER CORP	Neutral	555.3	550	547	559	564
MAHINDRA & MAHIN	Neutral	780.5	773	765	790	801
Reliance Industries	Positive	1937.9	1912	1887	1963	1988
AUROBINDO PHARMA	Negative	971.2	958	946	991	1012
COAL INDIA LTD	Positive	127.0	126	126	128	129

Nifty Call – Put Strike (Number of shares in lakh) – April, 2021



Technical Outlook

Equity benchmarks started the expiry week on a buoyant note tracking upbeat global cues. The Nifty settled the Monday's session at 14485 up 144 points or 1%. In the coming session, we expect index to trade with a positive bias while maintaining higher high-low formation. Hence, use intraday dip towards 14440-14465 to create long for target of 14554.

Going ahead, we reiterate our positive stance on the market and expect index to gradually head towards upper band of falling channel placed at 14800 in coming months. In line with our view, Bank Nifty staged a strong pullback that led Banking index to resolve above past two weeks high, indicating rejuvenation of upward momentum. We believe, follow through strength in banking would drive index higher as financials carry 38% weightage in Nifty. Thereby, expiry induces volatility from here on should be capitalised to accumulate quality large and mid caps as we expect stock specific action to continue amid ongoing Q4FY-21 result season.

CNX Nifty Technical Picture						
Nifty 50	Intraday	Short Term				
Trend	Up	Range Bound				
Support		14200				
Resistance	14550-14590	14800				
20 day EMA	0	14577.0				
200 day EMA	0	13306.0				

Advances/Declines						
	Advances	Declines	Unchanged			
BSE	1867	1132	210			
NSE	1277	662	101			

Daily Technical Calls

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- Buy Jubilant Foodworks in the range of 2888.00-2894.00
- 2. Buy Max Financial in the range of 879.00-883.00

All recommendations of April Future

See Momentum Pick for more details

Intraday Derivative Strategy

i) Container Corporation of India Buy CONCOR APR Fut at | 558.00-559.00 CMP: 556.25 Target 1: 564.3 Target 2: 572.9 Stop Loss: 552.7

ii) L&T Finance Holdings Sell LTFINA APR Fut at | 87.50-87.70 CMP: 87.75 Target 1: 86.6 Target 2: 85.1 Stop Loss: 88.6

See Derivatives view for more details



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Date	Event	Country	Period	Actual	Expected
Date	Event	Country	Period	Expected	Previous
27-Apr	Consumer Confidence	US	Apr	112.1	109.1
28-Apr	Goods Trade Balance	US	Mar	-	-87.07B
28-Apr	Crude Oil Inventories	US	Mar	-	0.594M
28-Apr	Fed Interest Rate Decision	US	Apr	-	-
29-Apr	Consumer Confidence	EU	Apr	-8.1	-8.1
29-Apr	GDP QoQ	US	Apr	6.5%	4.3%
29-Apr	Initial Jobless Claims	US	Apr	560k	547k
29-Apr	Unemployment Rate	JP	Mar	2.9%	2.9%
29-Apr	Industrial Production	JP	Mar	-2.0%	-1.3%
29-Apr	Manufacturing PMI	CH	Apr	51.7	51.9
29-Apr	Non Manufacturing PMI	CH	Apr	-	56.3
30-Apr	CPI YoY	EU	Apr	1.6%	1.3%
30-Apr	Federal Fiscal Deficit	IN	Mar	-	14055.47B
30-Apr	FX, Reserves USD	IN	Mar	-	582.41B
30-Apr	Infrastructure Output	IN	Mar	-	-4.6%

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Crore	Q4FY21E	YoY	QoQ	Q4FY21E	YoY	QoQ	Q4FY21E	YoY	QoQ
Hindustan Zinc	6,435.0	92.0	41.0	3,996.0	168.0	44.0	3,031.0	762.0	44.0
HDFC AMC	605.4	34.6	1.8	490.8	48.9	1.7	368.1	47.3	-0.3
Axis Bank	7,713.3	13.3	4.6	6,421.8	9.8	5.4	1,585.0	NA	41.9
Maruzti Suzuki	24,380.0	34.0	3.9	2,148.0	38.9	-3.5	1,560.0	20.7	-19.6
United Breweries	1,380.0	-3.1	7.0	190.4	44.0	9.8	100.1	143.0	40.2
VST Ind.	309.3	6.1	3.0	101.2	6.9	-10.5	74.1	5.0	-16.3
Bajaj Finance	4,533.6	-3.1	5.6	3,132.6	-3.1	7.8	2,805.7	25.7	-4.1

Date	Report
April 26,2021	Company Update-Mphasis
April 26,2021	Result Update- M&M Financial Services
April 24,2021	Result Update-HCL Technologies
April 24,2021	Result Update-Rallis India
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