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Major Economic News

- Saudi Arabia's Ministry of Human Resources and Social Development urged the private sector companies to give employees a 14-day obligatory holiday to combat the outbreak of the coronavirus. (Source: Argaam)
- SAMA lowered its repo rate from 175bps to 100 bps, and its reverse repo rate from 125bps to 50bps with immediate effect. The move came after the US Fed had cut interest rates by 100bps to shield the economy from the impact of the coronavirus. (Source: Argaam)

Major Corporate News

- Saudi Aramco will provide the additional 300,000 barrels required by the Ministry of Energy from its stockpiles, according to the company's CEO. He also added that the continuity to produce 12,000 barrels of oil does not require any additional costs by the company. (Source: Argaam)
- Saudi Ground Services Co. announced that it expects its revenues as well as profits for FY20 to be negatively impacted after Saudi Arabia temporarily suspended all international flights for two weeks starting from March 15, 2020 in an effort to prevent the coronavirus outbreak. (Source: Argaam)
- United Electronics Co. announced that further to the government's directives to control the spread of the novel coronavirus, it has closed its stores in malls. (Source: Argaam)
- Northern Cement Co.'s shareholders appointed Sulaiman Saleem Al-Harbi as chairman and Raed bin Ibrahim Suleiman Al-Mudaiheem as a vice chairman of the board, for a 3-year term. (Source: Argaam)

Market Analysis

• The Saudi Stock Exchange decreased 5.2% to 5,959.7. The value traded stood at SAR 5.5bn (up 21.3% over previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 8/184. The parallel market index declined 6.4% to 4,917.0 points. The value traded stood at SAR 10.8mn (down 11.2% over previous day). All sectors in the main market ended in the red. Retailing and Capital Goods (down 7.2% and 6.9%, respectively) led the laggards.

Earnings update (Net Profit) (SAR mn)						
Company	Q4-19 (SAR bn)	Q4-18 (SAR bn)	Y/Y %	Q3-19 (SAR bn)	Q/Q %	
Al Alamiya for Cooperative	3.2	6.7	-52.2	5.2	-38.8	
National Gypsum Co.	9.4	6.7	39.1	7.0	34.3	
Al-Rajhi Co. for Coop. Insurance	-7.2	13.4	NM	60.6	NM	
Arab Sea Information System	20.5	-23.4	NM	0.4	NM	
SABB Takaful Co.	-12.5	3.4	NM	-2.7	NM	
Saudi Arabian Coop.	-11.2	-6.1	-NM	1.7	NM	

**NA: Not Meaningful

Top Gainers		
Company	Price	Change%
WATANIYA	15.40	10.0
ALKHALEEJ TRNG	14.40	9.4
WAFRAH	11.00	1.3
ZAIN KSA	9.13	1.1
ABO MOATI	11.98	0.5

Top Losers		
Company	Price	Change%
SIECO	38.70	-10.0
SVCP	36.95	-10.0
SISCO	13.70	-10.0
RIBL	14.24	-10.0
SAUDI CERAMICS	23.54	-10.0

Saudi Stock Exchange							
Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)	
TASI	5,960	6,184	5,960	(5.2)	(29.0)	16.3	
NomuC	4,917	5,370	4,830	(6.4)	(31.5)	High	

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Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	4,249	(3.6)	(21.9)	16.0
Materials	3,466	(5.9)	(32.9)	24.0
Capital Goods	2,996	(6.9)	(30.8)	Neg
Commercial Service	3,230	(3.1)	(32.3)	13.7
Transportation	2,894	(6.5)	(34.2)	14.2
Consumer Durables	2,703	(5.4)	(22.9)	Neg
Consumer Services	2,759	(3.9)	(30.3)	23.3
Media	6,564	(4.3)	(30.2)	26.5
Retailing	5,577	(7.2)	(27.5)	20.1
Food & Staples	6,264	(0.2)	(5.3)	27.2
Food & Beverages	3,694	(6.0)	(15.1)	42.5
Healthcare	3,240	(3.9)	(13.1)	23.9
Pharma & Bio Tech	3,074	(1.0)	(14.5)	Neg
Banks	5,383	(6.5)	(33.6)	10.3
Diversified Financials	2,545	(4.1)	(22.9)	High
Insurance	3,350	(4.6)	(25.8)	High
Telecom	5,099	(1.3)	(21.2)	14.7
Utilities	3,299	(4.4)	(25.0)	Neg
REITs	3,679	(3.1)	(12.4)	20.4
Real Estate	2,354	(4.5)	(24.9)	High
Software & Services	4,456	(3.6)	(9.7)	12.9

**Neg: Negative

Average Index	Value		
Average 5 days	Average 10 days	Average 20 days	Average value traded for the month (bn)
6,384	6,763	7,249	5.46
Market Statist	ics		

Market Statistics					
	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)		
Current Week	10.0	465.2	470.9		
Previous week	33.7	1,463.7	1,333.7		

Top Weighted Companies				
Company	Price	Change%		
Al Rajhi	51.00	-4.9		
Saudi Aramco	27.80	-3.1		
NCB	30.50	-9.0		
SABIC	62.00	-6.8		
STC	79.90	-1.2		

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Regional and International Markets

- Among other regional markets, Dubai and Abu Dhabi decreased 6.1% and 7.8%, respectively. Qatar rose 1.5%; while Egypt, Oman, Bahrain and Kuwait declined 7.1%, 1.8%, 1.4% and 1.3%, respectively.
- DJIA and S&P 500 witnessed their worst day since the "Black Monday" crash of 1987, falling 12.9% and 12%, respectively, due to fears of recession from the coronavirus outbreak. (Source: CNBC)
- BoJ policy board has decided to loosen the monetary policy through conducting various operations including purchases of Japanese government bonds and the US dollar funds-supplying operations. The board raised the upper limit to purchase CP and corporate bonds by JPY 2.0tn in total. (Source: RTT News)
- Japan's industrial production rose a seasonally adjusted 1.0% M/M (consensus: 0.8%) in January. Industrial production declined 2.3% Y/Y in January. Capacity utilization rose 1.1% M/M, but dropped 3.9% Y/Y. (Source: RTT News)
- Oil prices plunged 11.2% on fears of economic slowdown due to coronavirus crisis and IHS Markit estimating the biggest crude surplus of 1.3bn bbl, over the next six months.
- Gold prices fell 1.0% as investors sold the yellow metal to cover the margins and losses in risky assets.

Forex / Currency				
Currency	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	98.1	-0.7	-0.1	1.7
Euro	1.12	0.7	1.4	-0.3
Japanese Yen	105.9	-1.9	-2.1	-2.5
Sterling Pound	1.23	-0.1	-4.3	-7.5
Chinese Yuan	6.99	-0.2	0.0	0.4
Indian Rupee	74.0	0.2	2.0	3.7
UAE Dirham	3.67	0.0	0.0	0.0
Qatari Rial	3.65	0.2	0.2	0.3
Kuwaiti Dinar	0.31	0.3	1.0	1.9
Omani Rial	0.39	0.1	0.1	0.1
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	0.0	0.1	0.1
Egyptian Pound	15.70	0.3	0.7	-1.9

Corporate Caler	ndar	
Date	Company	Event
17th Mar	BCI	Cash Dividend Distribution
18th Mar	TADCO	EGM
18th Mar	Al Yamamah Steel	OGM
19th Mar	Farm Superstore	OGM
23rd Mar	SFICO	EGM
23rd Mar	Saudi Investment	EGM

^{*}EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting

Regional Markets					
Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	1,843	-6.1	-28.9	-33.4	4.6
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	3,548	-7.8	-27.6	-30.1	8.9
Kuwait (KSE)	4,060	-1.3	-14.9	-17.3	9.3
Qatar (QE)	8,431	1.5	-11.2	-19.1	12.0
Oman (MSM)	3,682	-1.8	-10.9	-7.5	7.7
Bahrain (BSE)	1,395	-1.4	-16.0	-13.3	10.5
Egypt (EGX30)	9,429	-7.1	-27.5	-32.5	7.9

International Markets								
Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E			
Dow Jones	20,189	-12.9	-20.5	-29.3	16.8			
Nasdaq	7,020	-12.2	-17.0	-19.6	24.7			
S&P 500	2,386	-12.0	-19.2	-26.1	19.1			
FTSE 100	5,151	-4.0	-21.7	-31.7	11.9			
Germany DAX 30	8,742	-5.3	-26.5	-34.0	12.7			
France CAC 40	3,881	-5.8	-26.9	-35.1	14.1			
Japan Nikkei 225	17,002	-2.5	-19.6	-28.1	14.2			
Hong Kong Hang Seng	23,064	-4.0	-11.7	-18.2	9.7			
China Shanghai Composite	2,789	-3.4	-3.2	-8.6	11.1			
Australia ASX 200	5,002	-9.7	-22.3	-25.2	13.5			
India Sensex	31,390	-8.0	-18.0	-23.9	17.1			

Commodity Markets				
Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	33.7	-5.9	-36.0	-51.0
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	30.1	-11.2	-40.5	-54.5
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	29.0	-8.7	-35.4	-52.6
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	1.82	-2.9	7.8	-17.1
Gold (\$/oz)	1,514	-1.0	-4.5	-0.2
Silver (\$/oz)	12.9	-12.1	-22.6	-27.7
Steel (\$/ton)	570	-0.2	-3.4	-3.1
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	717	2.5	5.8	3.2
Wheat (\$/bu)	498	-3.3	-5.9	-10.9
Corn (\$/bu)	355	-4.3	-3.2	-8.5
Sugar (\$/lb)	11.1	-5.2	-23.3	-17.4
SMP* (EUR/MT)	2,300	0.0	-6.1	-10.5

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates								
Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)				
USD LIBOR	0.843	10.3	-62.0	-106.5				
Saudi Arabia(SAIBOR)	0.869	-46.1	-121.9	-136.3				
UAE (EIBOR)	1.038	-23.4	-85.2	-117.1				
Qatar (QIBOR)	1.799	0.1	-50.1	-45.1				
Bahrain (BHIBOR)	2.083	-4.7	-45.0	-58.3				

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

^{*}OGM: Ordinary General Meeting

^{*}Three-month Interbank rate **NA: Not Available Updated as of March 16, 2020



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