



## Major Economic News

- King Salman approved raising KSA's debt ceiling to 50% of gross domestic product, from 30%, as per Minister of Finance, Mohammed Al-Jadaan. He added that debt will not exceed SAR 100bn in FY20. (Source: Argaam)

## Major Corporate News

- Etihad Etisalat Co.'s shareholders will discuss and vote on the signing of a SAR 7.6bn refinancing Murabaha facility agreement in FY19 for a period of 7 years with a group of Saudi banks. (Source: Argaam)
- Saudi Electricity Co. (SEC) will soon launch its new subsidiary focusing on power generation. SEC is set to complete the installation of 10mn smart meters within 15 months. (Source: Argaam)
- United Electronics Co.'s BoD approved the repurchase of 100,000 maximum of treasury shares within the employee stock ownership plan. Source: Argaam)
- Saudi Ground Services Co.'s board of directors recommended withholding cash dividend for 2H19 to support the financial position and cash flow of the company and to ensure the continuity of its business in FY20, amid fall in the activities of ground services for airports due to the measures taken to limit the coronavirus (Source: Argaam)
- Saudi Airlines Catering Co. postponed the dividend distribution, slated for March 26 until further notice. This step follows the precautionary measures taken by the competent authorities in to combat the outbreak of the coronavirus and the difficulty in determining the duration of the preventive measures. (Source: Argaam)

## Market Analysis

- The Saudi Stock Exchange increased 1.8% to 6,267.6 on Thursday. The value traded stood at SAR 7.9bn (up 51.6% over previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 148/36. The parallel market index decreased 2.0% to 5,925.8 points. The value traded stood at SAR 33.9mn (up 32.5% over previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the green. Consumer Services and Consumer Durables (up 4.7% and 4.0%, respectively) advanced the most; while Media (down 0.1%) was the only the laggard.

## Earnings update (Net Profit) (SAR mn)

| Company                     | Q4-19<br>(SAR bn) | Q4-18<br>(SAR bn) | Y/Y % | Q3-19<br>(SAR bn) | Q/Q % |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|
| Zamil Industrial Investment | -14.0             | -93.1             | NM    | -28.1             | NM    |
| Electrical Industries Co.   | -32.8             | -10.1             | NM    | -1.5              | NM    |
| Jazan Energy and Dev. Co.   | -0.4              | -13.9             | NM    | -1.3              | NM    |
| Al Abdullatif Industrial    | -11.7             | 8.0               | NM    | 0.0               | NM    |
| Al-Jouf Agricultural Dev    | -22.1             | 11.1              | NM    | -6.4              | NM    |
| Red Sea International Co.   | 1.5               | -46.7             | NM    | -27.9             | NM    |

\*\*NA: Not Meaningful

## Top Gainers

| Company          | Price | Change% |
|------------------|-------|---------|
| ALMRAKEZ         | 21.38 | 9.2     |
| ASTRA INDUSTRIAL | 15.06 | 9.1     |
| ALASEEL          | 46.10 | 9.1     |
| MEDGULF          | 15.26 | 9.0     |
| SACO             | 39.50 | 8.5     |

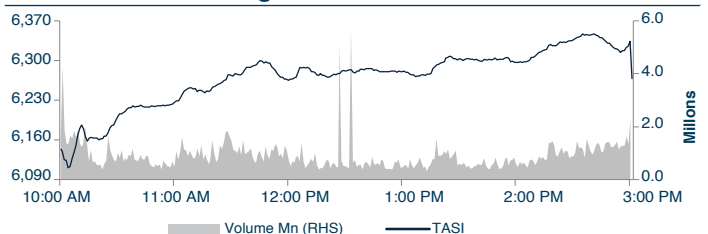
## Top Losers

| Company          | Price | Change% |
|------------------|-------|---------|
| BAAZEEM          | 36.00 | -4.4    |
| FARM SUPERSTORES | 14.28 | -4.2    |
| RED SEA          | 9.71  | -3.9    |
| ALABDULLATIF     | 8.77  | -3.6    |
| MOUWASAT         | 74.70 | -3.6    |

## Saudi Stock Exchange

| Index | Closing | High  | Low   | Daily Change% | YTD %  | PE (TTM) |
|-------|---------|-------|-------|---------------|--------|----------|
| TASI  | 6,268   | 6,348 | 6,105 | 1.8           | (25.3) | 16.6     |
| NomuC | 5,926   | 6,193 | 5,906 | (2.0)         | (17.5) | High     |

## TASI movement during session



| Index                  | Close | Daily Change% | YTD %  | PE (TTM) |
|------------------------|-------|---------------|--------|----------|
| Energy                 | 4,485 | 1.2           | (17.6) | 16.3     |
| Materials              | 3,653 | 2.7           | (29.3) | 23.9     |
| Capital Goods          | 3,052 | 1.8           | (29.6) | Neg      |
| Commercial Service     | 3,375 | 2.1           | (29.3) | 13.8     |
| Transportation         | 3,059 | 2.1           | (30.4) | 13.9     |
| Consumer Durables      | 3,000 | 4.0           | (14.4) | Neg      |
| Consumer Services      | 3,043 | 4.7           | (23.1) | 24.5     |
| Media                  | 6,600 | (0.1)         | (29.8) | 25.5     |
| Retailing              | 5,787 | 1.6           | (24.8) | 19.4     |
| Food & Staples         | 6,762 | 0.8           | 2.2    | 29.1     |
| Food & Beverages       | 3,802 | 0.6           | (12.7) | 41.7     |
| Healthcare             | 3,226 | 0.0           | (13.5) | 22.5     |
| Pharma & Bio Tech      | 3,142 | 0.8           | (12.6) | Neg      |
| Banks                  | 5,702 | 1.7           | (29.7) | 10.2     |
| Diversified Financials | 2,638 | 1.9           | (20.1) | High     |
| Insurance              | 3,551 | 2.5           | (21.3) | High     |
| Telecom                | 5,282 | 1.1           | (18.4) | 15.1     |
| Utilities              | 3,373 | 3.2           | (23.3) | Neg      |
| REITs                  | 3,730 | 1.2           | (11.1) | 20.1     |
| Real Estate            | 2,469 | 2.4           | (21.2) | High     |
| Software & Services    | 4,650 | 2.1           | (5.7)  | 13.0     |

\*\*Neg: Negative

## Average Index Value

| Average 5 days | Average 10 days | Average 20 days | Average value traded for the month (bn) |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|
| 6,155          | 6,361           | 6,984           | 5.62                                    |

## Market Statistics

|               | Value Traded (SAR bn) | Volumes (mn shares) | No. of Trades ('000) |
|---------------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Current Week  | -                     | -                   | -                    |
| Previous week | 28.8                  | 1,309.7             | 1,269.2              |

## Top Weighted Companies

| Company      | Price | Change% |
|--------------|-------|---------|
| Al Rajhi     | 52.70 | 1.3     |
| Saudi Aramco | 29.35 | 1.2     |
| NCB          | 33.45 | 2.9     |
| SABIC        | 66.60 | 3.9     |
| STC          | 83.50 | 1.5     |



## Regional and International Markets

- Among other regional markets, Dubai and Abu Dhabi increased 2.8% and 8.4%, respectively. Egypt, Bahrain and Kuwait rose 5.1%, 2.4% and 0.4%, respectively; while Oman and Qatar declined 1.1% and 1.0%, respectively.
- US Federal Reserve will establish a temporary swap lines with other nine central banks as part of coordinated action to improve liquidity in the financial markets. (Source: Econoday)
- US initial jobless claims increased to 281,000 (consensus: 220,000), representing a rise of 70,000 from the previous week's revised level of 211,000. (Source: Econoday)
- According to Baker Hughes, North America's rig count declined to 870 in the week ended March 20 from 967 earlier. The rig count fell to 772 from 792 in the US, and to 98 from 175 in Canada. The rig count remained unchanged at 19 in the Gulf of Mexico. (Source: Econoday)
- Oil prices dropped 5.2% on Friday, as muted demand due to COVID-19 pandemic and increase in production from major oil producers continued to drag prices.
- Gold prices rose 1.9% led by measures from central banks to combat coronavirus driven economic crisis

## Forex / Currency

| Currency       | Close | Daily Change% | MTD % | YTD % |
|----------------|-------|---------------|-------|-------|
| Dollar Index   | 102.8 | 0.1           | 4.8   | 6.7   |
| Euro           | 1.07  | 0.0           | -3.0  | -4.6  |
| Japanese Yen   | 110.8 | 0.1           | 2.5   | 2.0   |
| Sterling Pound | 1.16  | 1.4           | -9.2  | -12.2 |
| Chinese Yuan   | 7.10  | -0.2          | 1.5   | 1.9   |
| Indian Rupee   | 75.4  | 0.8           | 3.9   | 5.7   |
| UAE Dirham     | 3.67  | 0.0           | 0.0   | 0.0   |
| Qatari Rial    | 3.66  | 0.0           | 0.7   | 0.7   |
| Kuwaiti Dinar  | 0.31  | 0.1           | 1.7   | 2.7   |
| Omani Rial     | 0.38  | 0.0           | 0.0   | 0.0   |
| Bahraini Dinar | 0.38  | 0.1           | 0.2   | 0.2   |
| Egyptian Pound | 15.70 | 0.0           | 0.7   | -1.9  |

## Corporate Calendar

| Date                 | Company            | Event                      |
|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar | Saudi Investment   | EGM                        |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> Mar | AlSorayai Group    | EGM                        |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> Mar | Mulkia - Gulf REIT | Cash Dividend Distribution |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> Mar | Jarir              | Cash Dividend Distribution |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> Mar | Tawuniya           | OGM                        |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> Mar | Taiba              | OGM                        |

\*EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting

\*OGM: Ordinary General Meeting

## Regional Markets

| Market          | Close | Daily Change% | MTD % | YTD % | P/E  |
|-----------------|-------|---------------|-------|-------|------|
| Dubai (DFM)     | 1,819 | 2.8           | -29.8 | -34.2 | 4.5  |
| Abu Dhabi (ADX) | 3,686 | 8.4           | -24.8 | -27.4 | 9.3  |
| Kuwait (KSE)    | 4,032 | 0.4           | -15.5 | -17.9 | 9.0  |
| Qatar (QE)      | 8,577 | -1.0          | -9.6  | -17.7 | 12.2 |
| Oman (MSM)      | 3,567 | -1.1          | -13.6 | -10.4 | 7.4  |
| Bahrain (BSE)   | 1,409 | 2.4           | -15.2 | -12.5 | 10.6 |
| Egypt (EGX30)   | 9,206 | 5.1           | -29.2 | -34.1 | 6.5  |

## International Markets

| Index                    | Close  | Daily Change% | MTD % | YTD % | P/E  |
|--------------------------|--------|---------------|-------|-------|------|
| Dow Jones                | 19,174 | -4.5          | -24.5 | -32.8 | 14.8 |
| Nasdaq                   | 6,994  | -4.0          | -17.3 | -19.9 | 22.5 |
| S&P 500                  | 2,305  | -4.3          | -22.0 | -28.7 | 17.0 |
| FTSE 100                 | 5,191  | 0.8           | -21.1 | -31.2 | 12.0 |
| Germany DAX 30           | 8,929  | 3.7           | -24.9 | -32.6 | 13.0 |
| France CAC 40            | 4,049  | 5.0           | -23.7 | -32.3 | 14.7 |
| Japan Nikkei 225         | 16,553 | -1.0          | -21.7 | -30.0 | 13.8 |
| Hong Kong Hang Seng      | 22,805 | 5.0           | -12.7 | -19.1 | 9.6  |
| China Shanghai Composite | 2,746  | 1.6           | -4.7  | -10.0 | 10.8 |
| Australia ASX 200        | 4,817  | 0.7           | -25.2 | -27.9 | 13.0 |
| India Sensex             | 29,916 | 5.8           | -21.9 | -27.5 | 16.3 |

## Commodity Markets

| Commodity                 | Price | Daily Change% | MTD % | YTD % |
|---------------------------|-------|---------------|-------|-------|
| Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl) | 33.4  | 11.4          | -36.7 | -51.5 |
| Brent Crude (\$/bbl)      | 27.0  | -5.2          | -46.6 | -59.1 |
| Texas crude (\$/bbl)      | 19.5  | -12.4         | -56.5 | -68.1 |
| Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)    | 1.60  | -3.0          | -4.8  | -26.7 |
| Gold (\$/oz)              | 1,498 | 1.9           | -5.5  | -1.3  |
| Silver (\$/oz)            | 12.6  | 3.9           | -24.5 | -29.4 |
| Steel (\$/ton)            | 573   | -0.7          | -2.9  | -2.6  |
| Iron Ore (CNY/MT)         | 734   | 1.0           | 8.3   | 5.6   |
| Wheat (\$/bu)             | 539   | 0.8           | 1.9   | -3.5  |
| Corn (\$/bu)              | 344   | -0.5          | -6.2  | -11.3 |
| Sugar (\$/lb)             | 10.9  | 3.0           | -24.6 | -18.7 |
| 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            | 1.195 | 7.9               | -26.8     | -71.3     |
| Saudi Arabia(SAIBOR) | 1.013 | 4.1               | -107.4    | -121.9    |
| UAE (EIBOR)          | 1.121 | 1.8               | -76.8     | -108.7    |
| Qatar (QIBOR)        | 1.321 | -4.2              | -97.9     | -92.9     |
| Bahrain (BHIBOR)     | 1.697 | 1.7               | -83.7     | -97.0     |

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

\* Three-month Interbank rate \*\*NA: Not Available

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