



## Major Economic News

- GAZT approved the draft rules of Zakat calculation for estimated tax, replacing the rules issued earlier. The new rules will be applied to the returns of taxpayers calculated by GAZT after February 28, 2021. The base of Zakat payers, subject to these rules, will be evaluated by the equation:  $(\text{Sales} / 8 + [\text{Sales} \times 15\%])$  and not less than capital set forth in the commercial registration. (Source: Argaam)
- The value of KSA's oil exports reached around SAR 46.4bn in December, down 30% Y/Y. Oil exports reached SAR 64.8bn, accounting for 71.6% of the total exports for the month, hitting its highest level in 10 months. On M/M basis, oil exports saw an increase of SAR 8.8bn. (Source: Argaam)

## Major Corporate News

- Saudi Cable Co.'s board of directors recommended increasing the company's capital through rights issue of SAR 360mn. The increase aims to aid with capital restructuring and injection of new funds to provide working capital, allowing the company to improve its operational capacity and support the future activity. (Source: Argaam)
- Herfy Food Services Co. opened its fifth restaurant in Dhanmondi in Bangladesh after the phenomenal success of the previously opened four branches in Dhaka. The financial impact from the opening will reflect in Q1-21. (Source: Argaam)

## Market Analysis

- The Saudi Stock Exchange increased 0.9% to 9,194.9 on Thursday. The value traded stood at SAR 13.8bn (down 18.1% over previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 137/53. The parallel market index increased 1.3% to 26,883.8 points. The value traded stood at SAR 47.2mn (down 40.5% over previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the green. Diversified Financials and Telecom (up 4.0% and 2.2%, respectively) advanced the most; Utilities and Pharma & Bio Tech (down 2.0% and 0.7%, respectively) led the laggards.

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

Company	Q4-20	Q4-19	Y/Y %	Q3-20	Q/Q %
Arabian Shield	10.2	5.1	101.3	16.6	-38.2
Saudi Industrial Services	28.2	6.0	370.0	28.1	0.4
Middle East Healthcare	28.5	37.5	-23.9	34.9	-18.3
Solidarity Saudi Takaful	-49.1	-1.8	NM	-5.0	NM
FIPCO	-0.9	-11.0	NM	-2.9	NM
Taiba Investments Co.	-8.1	23.5	NM	-23.5	NM

## Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
HERFY FOODS	67.10	10.0
ATHEEB TELECOM	28.45	9.9
ASEER	21.20	9.8
ALJOUF	73.20	9.1
KEC	17.00	9.0

## Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
MOUWASAT	137.40	-3.2
BSFR	27.90	-2.5
SAUDI ELECTRICITY	21.08	-2.4
SPCC	85.20	-2.1
SASCO	32.30	-2.0

## Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %
TASI	9,195	9,263	9,161	0.9	5.8
NomuC	26,884	27,005	26,429	1.3	2.4

## TASI movement during session



## TASI P/E Ratios

P/E (Tadawul)	29.3
P/E (Bloomberg)	35.9
P/E*	43.5
P/E after exclusions*	41.9
P/E ex. loss-making comp.*	24.7
P/E: top 50 MCAP*	30.2

\*Source: Argaam (Excluding Aramco)

Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	5,354	0.2	(0.6)	32.9
Materials	6,213	0.7	8.1	High
Capital Goods	7,152	1.9	9.4	Neg
Commercial Service	4,124	0.3	1.6	High
Transportation	5,251	2.1	8.4	Neg
Consumer Durables	6,194	2.0	8.3	Neg
Consumer Services	4,154	1.6	(2.7)	29.4
Media	10,167	1.1	(0.5)	38.7
Retailing	8,648	0.2	1.1	Neg
Food & Staples	10,529	(0.3)	(0.1)	33.3
Food & Beverages	5,280	0.7	(3.4)	29.1
Healthcare	5,796	(0.6)	2.5	35.3
Pharma & Bio Tech	5,369	(0.7)	3.8	Neg
Banks	8,353	1.3	10.1	19.4
Diversified Financials	5,222	4.0	13.6	Neg
Insurance	6,065	0.6	0.7	25.0
Telecom	7,492	2.2	8.6	23.6
Utilities	4,572	(2.0)	(0.8)	Neg
REITs	4,316	0.7	0.7	Neg
Real Estate	2,970	0.0	(1.7)	Neg
Software & Services	19,466	1.2	38.1	33.9

\*\*Neg: Negative

## Average Index Value

Average 5 days	Average 10 days	Average 20 days	Average value traded for the month (bn)
9,125	9,095	8,916	12.31

## Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	-	-	-
Previous week	72.7	2,156.9	2,731.7

## Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Al Rajhi	91.00	2.0
Saudi Aramco	34.55	0.0
NCB	47.00	2.6
SABIC	106.60	1.3
STC	118.80	3.3



## Regional and International Markets

- Among other regional markets, Dubai increased 0.8%, while Abu Dhabi remained flat. Qatar, Egypt, Oman and Bahrain rose 1.7%, 1.6%, 0.3% and 0.1%, respectively. Meanwhile, Kuwait remained closed.
- US House of Representatives passed the USD 1.9tn coronavirus relief bill sending the proposal to the Senate. Senators will start considering the pandemic assistance plan this week. (Source: CNBC)
- According to Baker Hughes, North America's rig count decreased to 565 in the week ended February 26 from 569 earlier. The rig count rose to 402 in the US from 397 earlier, while increased to 17 in the Gulf of Mexico from 16 earlier. The rig count in Canada dropped to 163 from 172 earlier. (Source: Baker Hughes).
- US GDP rose 4.1% in Q4-20 (in line with consensus) compared with the previously estimated 4.0% rise. Growth in personal consumption expenditure stood at 2.4% versus the previously estimated 2.5% increase. (Source: Econoday)
- Oil prices declined 1.1% on Friday, as investors turned cautious ahead of OPEC+ meeting next week, amid increased volatility in risky assets globally.
- Gold prices fell 2.1%, as the strength in US dollar continued to weigh on demand for the yellow metal.

## Forex / Currency

Currency	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	90.9	0.8	0.3	1.0
Euro	1.21	-0.8	-0.5	-1.1
Japanese Yen	106.6	0.3	1.8	3.2
Sterling Pound	1.39	-0.6	1.7	1.9
Chinese Yuan	6.47	0.3	0.7	-0.8
Indian Rupee	73.9	1.6	1.4	1.2
UAE Dirham	3.67	0.0	0.0	0.0
Qatari Rial	3.64	0.0	0.0	0.0
Kuwaiti Dinar	0.30	0.1	0.0	-0.4
Omani Rial	0.38	-0.1	0.0	0.0
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	-0.1	0.0	0.0
Egyptian Pound	15.65	0.0	-0.1	-0.3

## Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	SVCP	EGM
01 <sup>st</sup> Mar	NCB	EGM
01 <sup>st</sup> Mar	SAMBA	EGM
03 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	ASLAK	Cash Dividend Distribution
03 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	APC	EGM
04 <sup>th</sup> Mar	ALJOUF	OGM

\*EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting

\*OGM: Ordinary General Meeting

## Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	2,527	0.8	-4.8	1.4	20.7
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	5,628	0.0	0.6	11.5	16.3
Kuwait (KSE)	4,651	0.0	-1.9	2.2	14.7
Qatar (QE)	10,121	1.7	-3.4	-3.0	17.9
Oman (MSM)	3,602	0.3	-1.4	-1.6	9.1
Bahrain (BSE)	1,465	0.1	0.1	-1.7	9.1
Egypt (EGX30)	11,618	1.6	0.6	7.1	9.3

## International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	30,932	-1.5	3.2	1.1	23.6
Nasdaq	13,192	0.6	0.9	2.4	34.6
S&P 500	3,811	-0.5	2.6	1.5	29.1
FTSE 100	6,483	-2.5	1.2	0.4	17.7
Germany DAX 30	13,786	-0.7	2.6	0.5	22.2
France CAC 40	5,703	-1.4	5.6	2.7	53.7
Japan Nikkei 225	28,966	-4.0	4.7	5.5	24.5
Russia MICEX	3,347	-1.9	2.1	1.8	13.4
Hong Kong Hang Seng	28,980	-3.6	2.5	6.4	15.8
South Korea KOSPI	3,013	-2.8	1.2	4.9	27.6
China Shanghai Composite	3,509	-2.1	0.7	1.0	14.6
Australia ASX 200	6,673	-2.4	1.0	1.3	21.7
India Sensex	49,100	-3.8	6.1	2.8	30.5
MSCI EM	1,339	-3.2	0.7	3.7	24.2
MSCI World	2,727	-1.2	2.5	1.4	33.5

## Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	64.2	-1.6	17.3	28.7
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	66.1	-1.1	18.3	27.7
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	61.5	-3.2	17.8	26.8
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	2.77	-0.2	8.1	9.1
Gold (\$/oz)	1,734	-2.1	-6.1	-8.7
Silver (\$/oz)	26.6	-2.8	-1.4	1.0
Steel (\$/ton)	1,264	0.3	10.0	25.8
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	1,252	2.5	5.7	16.0
Wheat (\$/bu)	655	-2.5	-1.2	2.3
Corn (\$/bu)	556	0.1	1.6	14.8
Sugar (\$/lb)	17.5	-1.7	10.7	13.2
SMP* (EUR/MT)	2,387	1.0	0.5	7.3

\*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

## Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
USD LIBOR	0.191	0.1	-1.1	-4.8
Saudi Arabia(SAIBOR)	0.800	0.0	-1.5	-1.8
UAE (EIBOR)	0.311	-5.4	-2.9	-20.1
Qatar (QIBOR)	0.970	-7.9	1.9	-15.1
Bahrain (BHIBOR)	1.975	0.0	-22.5	-27.5

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

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

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