

STOCK MARKET REVERSES LOSING STREAK, AS NSE ASI APPRECIATES BY 0.33%

Equities market closed the day's trading session in green zone as the NSE All Share Index and Market Capitalisation appreciated by 0.33% to close at 39,931.63 and ₦20.89 trillion respectively. The Year-to-Date (YtD) and the Quarter-to-Date (QtD) returns stand at -0.84% and -0.84%, while the Month-to-Date (MtD) and Week-to-Date returns stand at 0.33% and 0.33% respectively.

NSE Sector Indices: Of all the Industries on the NSE within our coverage, 2 sectors advanced in points, while 4 sectors declined. The NSE sector indices that advanced in points were NSE 30 (+0.45%), and NSE BANKING (+0.25%), while the sectors that declined in points were NSE PREMIUM (-0.03%), NSE OIL & GAS (-0.10%), NSE CONSUMER GOODS (-0.48%) and NSE INSURANCE (-1.10%).

The market breadth (gainers/losers) of 0.41x for the day indicates that the number of sellers outpaced the number of buyers in the market today. At the end of the day's trading, 12 stocks advanced as 29 stocks declined; UACN (+6.67%), AIICO (+5.22%) and VERITASKAP (+5.00%) led the gainers chart while NASCON (-9.97%), CHAMPION (-9.92%) and PZ (-9.43%) led the losers chart for the day.

The day's trading activities by volume was led by WEMABANK (369.68million), ZENITHBANK (20.62million) and TRANSCORP (13.02million) while the activity by value was led by ZENITHBANK (₦0.53billion), WEMABANK (₦0.24billion) and MTNN (₦0.15billion).

Outlook: Stock market reversed losing streak, as NSE ASI appreciated by 0.33%. The recent selloffs in the equities market have been attributed to the marginal rise in yields in the fixed income space. Notwithstanding, this is very likely to create entry opportunities for investors. However, optimism persists that the bull run will be retained in the market. We therefore advise our clients not to engage in panic selling as we expect equity market to maintain positive growth due to the expectation of dividend payment in the year.

TOP GAINERS

	Stock	Previous Close	Today's Close	Change (₦)	%Change
1	UACN	7.50	8.00	0.50 ↑	6.67
2	AIICO	1.15	1.21	0.06 ↑	5.22
3	VERITASKAP	0.20	0.21	0.01 ↑	5.00
4	BUACEMENT	72.00	74.75	2.75 ↑	3.82
5	NEIMETH	1.83	1.88	0.05 ↑	2.73
6	UBA	8.15	8.35	0.20 ↑	2.45
7	WEMABANK	0.63	0.64	0.01 ↑	1.59
8	JAIZBANK	0.66	0.67	0.01 ↑	1.52
9	ZENITHBANK	25.45	25.80	0.35 ↑	1.38
10	ETI	5.20	5.25	0.05 ↑	0.96

TOP LOSERS

	Stock	Previous Close	Today's Close	Change (₦)	%Change
1	NASCON	16.05	14.45	-1.60 ↓	-9.97
2	CHAMPION	2.52	2.27	-0.25 ↓	-9.92
3	PZ	5.30	4.80	-0.50 ↓	-9.43
4	LASACO	1.23	1.12	-0.11 ↓	-8.94
5	SOVRENINS	0.27	0.25	-0.02 ↓	-7.41
6	ROYALEX	0.27	0.25	-0.02 ↓	-7.41
7	REGALINS	0.28	0.26	-0.02 ↓	-7.14
8	PRESTIGE	0.46	0.43	-0.03 ↓	-6.52
9	STERLNBANK	1.71	1.60	-0.11 ↓	-6.43
10	CHIPLC	0.33	0.31	-0.02 ↓	-6.06

NSE MARKET DAILY STATISTICS				
	Today	Previous		% Change
NSE All Share Index (NSEASI)	39,931.63	39,799.89	↑	0.33%
Market Cap. (₦ 'trn)	20.89	20.82	↑	0.33%
Transaction Volume (million)	543.99	507.25	↑	7.24%
Market Turnover (₦ 'million)	1,888.20	2,442.55	↓	-22.70%
Number of Deals	4,673	4,465	↑	4.66%

Source: Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE) / PAC Research

NSE SECTOR INDICES					
	Today	Previous	% Change		YtD(%)
NSE 30	1,600.64	1,593.45	↑ 0.45%	↓	-2.41%
NSE Banking 10	383.70	382.76	↑ 0.25%	↓	-2.37%
NSE Oil&Gas 5	265.12	265.39	↓ -0.10%	↑	17.21%
NSE Insurance 10	199.86	202.09	↓ -1.10%	↑	5.47%
NSE Consumer Goods 10	561.12	563.85	↓ -0.48%	↓	-2.13%
NSE Premium Index	3,388.91	3,389.88	↓ -0.03%	↓	-100.00%

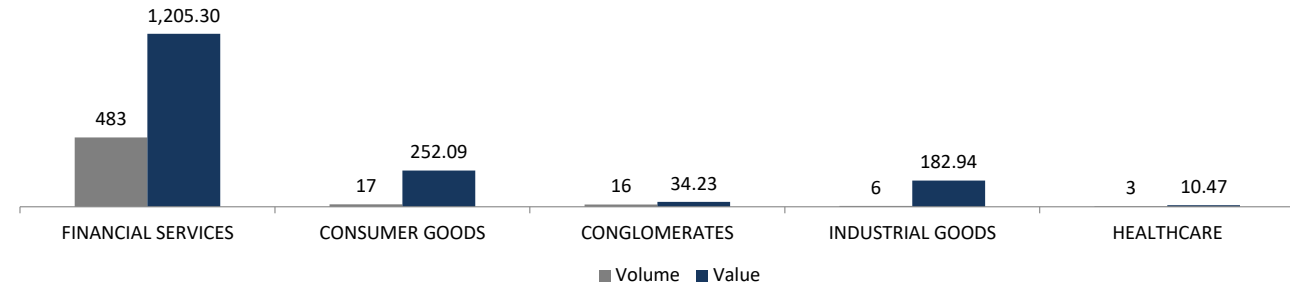
Source: Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE) / PAC Research

TOP 10 LOSERS YEAR TO DATE			TOP 10 GAINERS YEAR TO DATE		
1	SUNUASSUR	-34.00%	1	LASACO	220.00%
2	FTNCOCOA	-27.27%	2	CHAMPION	163.95%
3	STERLNBANK	-21.57%	3	NCR	75.00%
4	DEAPCAP	-20.00%	4	LIVESTOCK	62.59%
5	DAARCOMM	-16.67%	5	MCNICHOLS	56.86%
6	NEIMETH	-15.70%	6	MBENEFIT	48.15%
7	ETI	-12.50%	7	BOCGAS	42.22%
8	ABCTRANS	-10.53%	8	ACADEMY	36.67%
9	FCMB	-10.51%	9	ARDOVA	33.21%
10	DANGCEM	-10.17%	10	PORTPAINT	32.11%

COMPANY	TURNOVER (₦'B)	CURRENT PAT (₦'B)	PREVIOUS PAT (₦'B)	PERIOD
ZENITH BANK PLC	696.45	230.57	208.84	FY 2020
UNITED CAPITAL PLC	12.87	7.81	4.97	FY 2020
NIGERIAN BREWERIES PLC	337.01	7.53	16.11	FY 2020

Source: Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE) / PAC Research

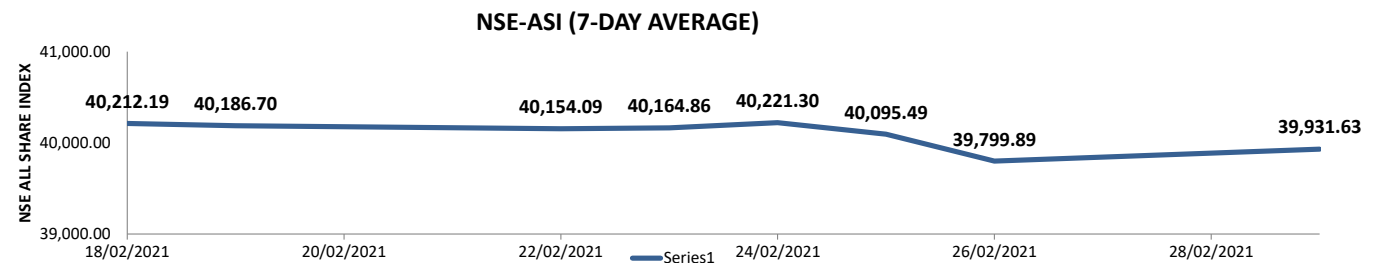
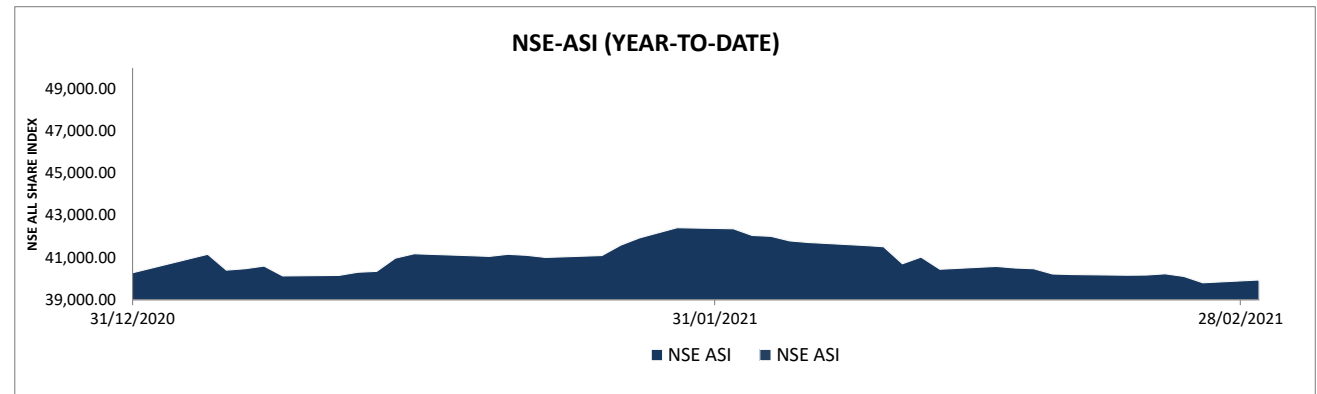
FIVE MOST ACTIVE SECTOR BY VOLUME AND VALUE ('million')



NSE RETURN HISTORY		
Day Change	↑	0.33%
Week-to-Date	↑	0.33%
Month-to-Date	↑	0.33%
Quarter-to-Date	↓	-0.84%
Year-to-Date	↓	-0.84%

TOP TRADED STOCKS BY VOLUME		TOP TRADED STOCKS BY VALUE	
STOCK	VOLUME (UNITS)	STOCK	VALUE (₦)
WEMABANK	369,676,714	ZENITHBANK	529,068,473.40
ZENITHBANK	20,619,706	WEMABANK	240,322,173.30
TRANSCORP	13,015,370	MTNN	151,126,724.30
UBA	11,932,397	GUARANTY	127,158,883.05
UCAP	11,329,537	WAPCO	108,512,204.70

Source: Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE) / PAC Research



FIXED INCOME REPORT AS AT FEBRUARY 26, 2021

Treasury Bills Market:

In the treasury bills markets, the average yield remains unchanged as it closed at 1.43% today (vs. 1.43% average market yield of last trading session). At the end of the trading session today, the 13-May-21, 29-Jul-21 and 27-Jan-22 bills closed at 0.76% (0.00%), 1.46% (0.00%), and 2.07% (0.00%) respectively.

FGN Bond Market:

In the bond market, the average market yield increased by an average of 62bps as it closed at 8.29% as against 8.22% of the previous session. The result for the 27-Apr-2023, 14-Mar-2024, 22-Jan-2026, 23-Feb-2028, 23-Jul-2030, 24-Jul-2045 and 27-Mar-1950 bonds traded are 6.87% (0.64%), 6.84% (-0.01%), 8.15% (-0.01%), 10.33% (0.00%), 10.77% (0.00%), 11.55% (0.00%) and 11.43% (0.00%) respectively.

Foreign Exchange Market:

At the FX Market (CBN Official Window), Naira remains unchanged, closing at ₦379.00/\$ today compared to the ₦379.00/\$ it traded in the previous trading session. On Investors and Exporters Window, Naira depreciated by 158 kobo against dollar as it closed at ₦410.25/\$ today (vs. ₦408.67/\$ it closed in the previous trading session).

Money Market:

In the Money Market today, the REPO rate increased by an average of 38bps to tighten liquidity. At the end of the trading session, the call, 1M, 2M, 3M rate closed at 4.75% (-0.50%), 6.25% (0.50%), 7.00% (0.50%) and 8.50% (1.00%) respectively. However, Open-Buy-Back (OBB) and Overnight (O/N) rate decreased by an average of 195 bps, closing at 5.67% and 6.33% respectively.

EXCHANGES				
AFRICA	1-Mar-21	VALUE Δ	26-Feb-21	% CHANGE
NSE	39,931.63	131.74	39,799.89	0.33%
BOTSWANA	1,350.57	0.00	1,350.57	0.00%
GHANA SE	2,212.66	11.74	2,200.92	0.53%
JSE	67,663.48	1,525.43	66,138.05	2.31%
RWANDA SI	148.24	0.03	148.21	0.02%
UGANDA SE	1,357.18	0.03	1,357.15	0.00%
GLOBAL		VALUE Δ		% CHANGE
DOW JONES	30932.37	-469.64	31402.01	-1.50%
FTSE 100	6560.09	76.66	6483.43	1.18%
DAX	13928.32	142.03	13786.29	1.03%
NIKKEI 225	29663.50	697.49	28966.01	2.41%
S&P 500	3811.15	-18.19	3829.34	-0.48%

Source: Bloomberg / PAC Research as at 16.00 GMT

CURRENCY			
MAJOR CURRENCIES			
	CURRENCY/₦		CURRENCY/\$
USD	PX_LAST	CFA FRANC	109.80
EUR	298.06	S.A RAND	410.73
GBP	0.41	GHANA CEDI	21.85
JPY	572.60	KENYAN SHILLING	15.06
AUD	324.11	RWANDA FRANC	8.94
ZAR	0.75	EGYPTIAN POUND	5.74

Source: Bloomberg / PAC Research

ECONOMIC INDICATORS	
	1-Mar-21
MONETARY POLICY RATE (MPR)	11.5%
LIQUIDITY RATIO(LR)	30.00%
CASH RESERVE RATIO(CRR) Private(Public)	27.50%
INFLATION RATE (January 2021)	16.47%
GDP GROWTH RATE (Q4'20)	0.11%

COMMODITIES			
ENERGY	TODAY'S PRICE	VALUE Δ	PREVIOUS PRICE
BRENT CRUDE	61.82	0.35	61.47
WTI CRUDE	LAST_PRICE	CHG_NET_1D	#VALUE!
GASOLINE	64.91	0.51	64.40
NATURAL GAS	527.75	-3.75	531.50
METALS		VALUE Δ	
GOLD	2.74	-0.03	2.77
SILVER	1734.73	1.20	1733.53
PLATINIUM	26.85	0.20	26.66
PALLADIUM	1208.36	16.30	1192.06
ALUMINIUM	2359.46	31.63	2327.83
COPPER	A Real Time	-80.50	#VALUE!
AGRICULTURE		VALUE Δ	
CORN	A Real Time	-335.50	#VALUE!
WHEAT	546.50	-1.00	547.50
SOYBEANS	664.00	3.75	660.25
SUGAR	137.75	0.25	137.50
COTTON	16.50	0.05	16.45
COCOA	50.17	0.23	49.94

BALANCED FUND

Investment takes different forms. In investing you need to consider a few basic things;

- a) What opportunities exist in the market
- b) How much capital to commit into investment.
- c) Transaction cost
- d) Skill and time to monitor the investment
- e) How to exit the investment

Many people often ask the question why a particular stock made more than 390% last year, and think 'if I had put my money in there my investment would have quadrupled'. While that is true, have you considered investing in some stock that delivers a negative return of about 65%? - That could be catastrophic. You wouldn't know on face value what stock would likely do well at the end of the day. This is why diversification is essential, so that as your portfolio risk is spread out.

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Dividend Payment: Dividend as declared, shall be distributed electronically within 7 working days after SEC approval of the funds financial results.

EARNINGS UPDATES

GUARANTY TRUST BANK PLC (INTERIM DIVIDEND)

Proposed Final Dividend: 30 Kobo per 50 kobo share

Proposed Bonus: NA

Closure Date: 4th - 16th September, 2020

Qualification Date: 15th September, 2020

AGM Date: NIL

Payment Date: 21st September, 2020

AGM Venue: NIL

ZENITH BANK PLC (INTERIM DIVIDEND)

Proposed Final Dividend: N2.70 kobo per 50 kobo share

Proposed Bonus: NA

Closure Date: 9th March, 2021

Qualification Date: 8th March, 2021

AGM Date: 16th March, 2020

Payment Date: 16th March, 2020

AGM Venue: Civic Center, Ozumba Mbadiwe Street, Visctoria

UNITED BANK FOR AFRICA PLC (INTERIM DIVIDEND)

Proposed Final Dividend: 17 kobo per 50 kobo share

Proposed Bonus: NA

Closure Date: 16th September, 2020

Qualification Date: 15th September, 2020

AGM Date: NIL

Payment Date: 23rd September, 2020

NIGERIAN BREWERIES PLC (INTERIM DIVIDEND)

Proposed Final Dividend: 69 Kobo per 50 kobo share

Proposed Bonus: NA

Closure Date: 11th of March 2021 to 17th of March 2021

Qualification Date: 10th of March, 2021

AGM Date: 22nd of April, 2021 at 10am

Payment Date: 23rd of April, 2021

AGM Venue: The Shell Nigeria Hall, Muson Centre, 8/9 Marina,

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