

- Jan CPI grows 13% YoY | BR:** The Consumer Price Index (CPI) witnessed an increase of 13% on year-on-year basis in January 2022 as compared to an increase of 12.3% in the previous month and 5.7% in January 2021, says the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS). The CPI for January 2022 is the highest inflation in 24 months as it was registered 14.6% in January 2020. The CPI inflation is recorded at 10.26% during the first seven months (July-January) of the current fiscal year as against 8.19% in the same period of the last year.
- USD6bn EFF: sixth review to be high on IMF board's agenda for today's meeting | BR:** The International Monetary Fund's Executive Board will take the sixth review of the USD6bn Extended Fund Facility (EFF) for Pakistan on the agenda in its meeting scheduled for Wednesday (Feb 2). The Board calendar shows that its meeting has been scheduled for February 2, 2022, and the agenda includes, Pakistan - 2021 Article IV Consultation, sixth review under the Extended Arrangement, under the Extended Fund Facility, and Requests for Waivers of Nonobservance of Performance Criteria and Rephasing of Access.
- Pakistan receives USD1bn sukuk proceeds | Dawn:** The proceeds of USD1bn raised through the international sukuk issue, the first under the newly established Trust Certificate Issuance Programme, were received on Tuesday, announced the Ministry of Finance. During the first 21 days of January, the SBP's foreign exchange reserves declined by USD1.4bn. While in the first seven months of the current fiscal year, its forex holdings shrank by USD3.88bn. The ministry in a statement said the participants offered USD2.7bn for the bonds but the government successfully raised USD1bn sticking to its target.
- Retailo raises USD36mn in Series A round | Dawn:** Retailo, a business-to-business start-up, has raised USD36mn in its Series A investment round, which was a mix of equity and venture debt. According to a press release on Tuesday, the startup that aims at digitising the retail supply chains in the Middle East, North Africa and Pakistan (MENAP) has raised a total investment of USD45mn in less than a year and a half of operations. Silicon Valley-based Graphene Ventures led the round, which was an early-stage investor of tech giants Snapchat and Lyft. Leading investors, including 500 Global, Agility, Aujan, Tech Invest Com and Mentor's Fund, join Graphene.
- Circular debt showing PKR38bn monthly growth | BR:** Pakistan's energy sector circular debt flow is still soaring with an average growth of about PKR38bn per month recorded during the first six months (July-December) 2021-22, well-informed sources told Business Recorder. Total circular debt has reached PKR2.48 trillion during first six months of current fiscal year as compared to PKR2.30 trillion in the same period of 2020-21, with total growth of PKR196bn as compared to PKR152bn during July-December 2020-21.
- Oil sales jump 14.5% in 7 months | The News:** Oil marketing industry recorded 14.5% growth in its sales, which surged to 12.91mn tons in the first seven months of current fiscal, compared to 11.27mn tons in the same period of the last year. In the month January, total oil sales increased to 1.80mn tons compared to 1.52mn tons in the same month of last year, showing a growth of 18.9% and on month-on-month basis. It was up by 19.6% against the preceding month of December. The sale of petrol grew 10.7% in July-January of current fiscal to stand at 5.26mn tons against 4.75mn tons in the same period of the last fiscal.
- POL products: GST abolished, PL revised downward | BR:** The federal government has abolished General Sales Tax (GST) on all petroleum products and reduced the rate of petroleum levy to absorb the international oil price rise with effect from February 1, 2022. Price of petroleum products have peaked to 90 dollars per barrel in the international market - the highest level since 2014 with an increase of 14.5% in January over December. Based on existing levels of consumption, the estimated revenue loss on account of zero sales tax on petroleum products would be between PKR21 to 25bn in one month, an official of Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) told Business Recorder on condition of anonymity.
- Dec 2021 Nepra agrees to raise Discos' tariff by PKR3.09/unit | BR:** The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) Tuesday agreed, in principle, to increase Discos' tariff by PKR3.09 per unit for December 2021 under monthly Fuel Component Adjustment (FCA) mechanism to recover additional cost of PKR26.6bn from consumers except lifeline consumers. This understanding was reached between the regulator (Nepra) and power purchaser- Central Power Purchasing Agency- Guaranteed (CPPA-G) at a public hearing conducted by the Authority.
- CCoE to discuss revised Circular Debit Management Plan today | BR:** The Cabinet Committee on Energy (CCoE) today (Wednesday) would discuss revised Circular Debit Management Plan (CDMP) prepared by the Power Division. According to the sources, the Finance Ministry said, the Power Division should use realistic assumption to see the impact on stock and flow of circular debt and accordingly, further mitigation measures may be proposed, if required. The country's circular debt has touched PKR2.5 trillion due to some deviations in the measures agreed with the lenders.
- Taxes on solar panels, electric vehicles slammed | Dawn:** Renewable energy experts and civil society activists have unanimously asked the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to play a responsible role in developing socially just and environmental friendly financing solutions in developing countries. Speaking at a virtual seminar organised by the Alliance for Climate Justice and Clean Energy (ACJCE) on Tuesday, they also urged the government to revoke imposition of general sales and additional taxes on solar panels and electric vehicles in a bid to promote renewable energy.
- H1FY22: minister says 'freelancers earn export revenue of USD216.79mn' | BR:** Pakistan's freelancers have earned export revenue of USD216.79mn during the first half (July-December) of current fiscal year 2021-22 at a growth rate of 16.74% as compared to last year's USD185.70mn, said Syed Aminul Haque, federal minister for Information Technology and Telecommunication. The minister said that, freelancers have earned export revenue of USD216.79mn including IT, USD163.88mn and non-IT, USD52.91mn during July-December 2021.

## Market Indices

	1-Feb-22	31-Jan-22	30-Jun-21
KSE 100	45,675	45,375	47,356
KSE 30	17,914	17,830	18,962
KMI 30	74,109	73,593	76,622
KSE All Shares	31,222	31,008	32,480

## Volume (mn Shares)

	1-Feb-22	FYTD (Average)
KSE 100	115.4	123.8
KSE 30	57.2	52.2
KMI 30	69.5	49.2
KSE All Shares	311.3	336.2

## Commodity Rates

	1-Feb-22	Daily Change	FYTD Change
Crude Oil-Brent (USD/BBL)	89.2	-2.2%	18.7%
Crude Oil-Arab Light (USD/BBL)	87.9	-1.4%	21.6%
Coal (USD/Tonne)	172.4	-0.9%	50.1%
Copper(USD/Lbs)	4.4	2.3%	3.5%
Cotton (USD/Lbs)	123.7	-0.2%	52.0%
CRC Steel (USD/Tonne)	898.0	0.0%	-24.2%

## Currency (Interbank)

	1-Feb-22	Daily Change	FYTD Change
US Dollar	176.0	-0.2%	11.7%
UK Pound	238.0	0.4%	9.2%
Euro	198.3	0.1%	6.2%
UAE Dirham	48.1	-0.5%	11.5%
Chinese Yuan	27.7	-0.2%	13.4%

## Fund Flows (USD mn)

	1-Feb-22	FYTD
FOREIGN INDIVIDUAL	0.00	4.45
FOREIGN CORPORATES	-0.22	-284.17
OVERSEAS PAKISTANI	-0.19	46.52
<b>FIPI NET</b>	<b>-0.41</b>	<b>-233.19</b>

## Economic Data (USD mn)

	FY22E	FY21	FY20
GDP Growth	4.6%	5.4%	-0.5%
	Dec-21	Nov-21	
Exports	2,765	2,901	
Imports	7,666	7,899	
Remittances	2,520	2,459	
Foreign Exchange Reserves	24,018	22,329	

## Money Market Data

	1-Feb-22	31-Jan-22	30-Jun-21
SBP Policy Rate	9.75	9.75	7.00
CPI Inflation	13.00	12.28	9.70
3 Month T-Bill	10.20	10.19	7.28
6 Month T-Bill	10.62	10.59	7.53
12 Month T-Bill	10.78	10.77	7.81
3 Year Government Bond	10.76	10.78	8.99
5 Year Government Bond	10.86	10.86	9.49
10 Year Government Bond	11.10	11.09	9.94
3 Month KIBOR	10.37	10.36	7.45
6 Month KIBOR	10.74	10.74	7.69

Data Sources : Reuters, PSX, NCCPL, PBS, SBP