

Equity Market

COMMENTARY

- J The equities market closed positive for the second consecutive session, reversing the week's net loss of 0.23%, as the ASI appreciated by 1.17% to 35,773.98 points, following bargain hunting in value stocks.
- J Today's performance swung the Month-to-Date return (+0.95%) into the green while the Year-to-Date gain improved to 33.11%.
- J The Industrial Goods (+2.80%) index recorded the largest positive return, followed by the Banking (+0.78%) and Consumer Goods (+0.51%) indices, driven by demand for DANGCEM (+2.38%), WAPCO (+4.00%), ZENITHBANK (+1.15%), GUARANTY (+0.63%), NB (+1.24%), and NESTLE (+0.25%) shares, respectively. On the flip side, the Oil & Gas (-0.42%) index turned negative, while the Insurance (-0.41%) index followed suit, owing to losses recorded by MOBIL (-4.87%), MRS (-4.97%), CONTINSURE (-4.90%), and LAWUNION (-4.30%) shares, respectively.
- J Market breadth remained positive with 31 gainers and 14 losers, led by LINKASSURE (+8.70%) and CADBURY (-5.00%). Total volume traded increased by 82.36% to 317 million units, valued at N2.85 billion, and exchanged in 3,327 deals. Notable crossings include DANGCEM (385,000 units at N210.05), GUARANTY (6.2 million units at N40.13), ACCESS (9 million units at N9.70), UBA (21 million units at N9.00) and SKYE BANK (90 million units at N0.51).
- J We expect gains to extend in tomorrow's session, as investors continue to hunt bargains -- taking position ahead of the Q3 earnings season.

TOP 5 TRADES BY VALUE

Ticker	Value N'000	Market Value
GUARANTY	618,354.88	21.67%
NB	405,052.07	14.19%
UBA	321,392.88	11.26%
DANGCEM	220,278.66	7.72%
ACCESS	192,272.79	6.74%

TOP 5 TRADES BY VOLUME

Ticker	Volume Units '000	Market Volume
SKYEBANK	94,315.02	29.71%
UBA	35,748.58	11.26%
TRANSCORP	26,047.35	8.21%
ACCESS	19,846.19	6.25%
GUARANTY	15,406.28	4.85%

KEY MARKET STATISTICS

METRICS	OUTCOME
ASI	35,773.98
Today's return	1.17%
WtD	0.94%
MtD	0.94%
YtD	33.11%
52-week High	38,198.60
52-week Low	24,581.99
Market Capitalisation (N'b)	12,314.00

TOP 5 GAINERS

Ticker	Pclose	Close	Change
LINKASSURE	0.69	0.75	8.70%
PRESCO	59.00	61.95	5.00%
DANGFLOUR	6.34	6.64	4.73%
NPFMCRCFBK	1.11	1.16	4.50%
CAVERTON	1.14	1.19	4.39%

TOP 5 LOSERS

Ticker	Pclose	Close	Change
CADBURY	10.80	10.26	-5.00%
MRS	30.39	28.88	-4.97%
CONTINSURE	1.43	1.36	-4.90%
MOBIL	170.00	161.72	-4.87%
LAWUNION	0.93	0.89	-4.30%

CURRENT MARKET INFORMATION

Date	Days	NSE ASI	% Change	Volume	% Change	Value	% Change	Gainers	Losers
5-Oct-17	Thursday	35,773.98	↑ 1.17%	317,440,638	↑ 82.36%	2,853,491,811	↑ 4.91%	31	14
4-Oct-17	Wednesday	35,358.57	↑ 0.15%	174,068,848	↓ -72.56%	2,720,027,836	↓ -53.02%	19	18
3-Oct-17	Tuesday	35,306.09	↓ -0.38%	634,326,353	↑ 168.98%	5,790,358,205	↑ 51.06%	18	22
29-Sep-17	Friday	35,439.98	↑ 0.03%	235,824,954	↓ -31.88%	3,833,105,149	↓ -4.07%	18	18
28-Sep-17	Thursday	35,429.31	↑ 0.93%	346,215,413	↑ 153.82%	3,995,823,904	↑ 214.83%	20	23

FX, Money Market, Fixed Income

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At the time of writing, the CBN USD/NGN spot rate had appreciated by 0.02% to N305.65. Reactions were slightly mixed in the interbank space, as the NGN weakened against the Bloomberg's referenced USD (-0.31%) and EUR (-0.04%) to N361.10 and N423.59, respectively, while it strengthened against the GBP (+0.64%) to N474.77. The parallel market was broadly quiet, as the naira closed flat against all the currencies we track – USD, GBP and EUR – to close at N363, N480 and N421, respectively. Meanwhile, in the I&E window, the FMDQ's quoted USD/NGN appreciated by 0.04% to N360.33.

The overnight money market rate contracted for the eighth consecutive session by 217 bps to 7.92%, following inflow via matured OMO bills worth N283.41 billion. In an attempt to subdue the impact of the inflow, the CBN sold N222.82 billion worth of OMO bills at today's auction – comprising N8.10 billion (vs N50 billion offered) of the 105-day and N214.72 billion (vs N100 billion offered) of the 189-day bills at respective stop rates of 16.00% and 17.90%. Notably, the longer tenured bill remained the toast of investor, as the 189-day bill was 2.15x oversubscribed.

Investors in the treasury bills market remained upbeat, partly attributable to the increase in system liquidity following today's inflow (mentioned above), with average yield contracting by 13 bps to 16.89%. Yields contracted across all ends of the curve – short (-10 bps), mid (-18 bps), and long (-12bps) -- to 17.31%, 16.81%, and 16.66%, respectively, with notable bills being the 21-Dec-17 (-60 bps), 5-Apr-18 (-94 bps), and 21-Jun-18 (-139 bps).

Similarly, activities in the bond space remained bullish, as average yield contracted by a modest 1 bp to 15.03%. Yields contracted at the short (-4 bps) and long (-3 bps) ends of the curve to 15.35% and 14.99%, respectively, owing to interest in the 30-MAY-2018 (-77 bps) and 14-MAR-2024 (-90 bps) bonds. Meanwhile, yield at the mid (+5 bps) segment expanded to 14.74%, following a selloff of the 15-JUL-2021 (+39 bps) bond.

TREASURY BILLS—SECONDARY MARKET

Maturity	DTM	5-Oct	Change	4-Oct
12-Oct-17	7	17.01%	0.00%	17.01%
19-Oct-17	14	12.96%	0.00%	12.96%
26-Oct-17	21	16.06%	0.00%	16.06%
2-Nov-17	28	19.16%	0.00%	19.16%
9-Nov-17	35	18.88%	0.00%	18.88%
16-Nov-17	42	18.96%	0.00%	18.96%
23-Nov-17	49	17.95%	0.00%	17.95%
30-Nov-17	56	18.01%	0.00%	18.01%
7-Dec-17	63	18.22%	-0.11%	18.32%
14-Dec-17	70	17.28%	-0.58%	17.86%
21-Dec-17	77	18.05%	-0.60%	18.65%
28-Dec-17	84	16.46%	0.00%	16.46%
4-Jan-18	91	16.03%	0.00%	16.03%
11-Jan-18	98	15.70%	0.00%	15.70%
18-Jan-18	105	15.64%	0.00%	15.64%
25-Jan-18	112	16.09%	0.00%	16.09%
1-Feb-18	119	17.84%	-0.01%	17.85%
8-Feb-18	126	17.70%	0.00%	17.70%
15-Feb-18	133	17.55%	0.00%	17.55%
1-Mar-18	147	17.97%	0.00%	17.97%
8-Mar-18	154	16.71%	-0.55%	17.26%
15-Mar-18	161	17.38%	0.00%	17.38%
22-Mar-18	168	16.50%	-0.60%	17.10%

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	Current	Year Start
MPR	14.00%	14.00%
Inflation	16.01%	18.72%
Gross External Reserves	\$32.74bn *	\$26.09bn

* As at 3rd Oct 2017

BONDS—SECONDARY MARKET

New Nomenclature	Issue	TTM	5-Oct	Change	4-Oct
^16.39 27-JAN-2022	27-Jan-12	4.51	15.83%	↓ 0.00%	15.83%
^14.20 14-MAR-2024	14-Mar-14	6.63	15.07%	↓ -0.90%	15.97%
^12.50 22-JAN-2026	22-Jan-16	8.49	14.96%	↑ 0.00%	14.95%
^16.2884 17-MAR-2027	17-Mar-17	9.64	15.21%	↑ 0.30%	14.90%

INTERBANK OFFERED RATE

Tenor	4-Oct	5-Oct	Change
O/N	10.08%	7.92%	-2.17%
1M	N/A	N/A	N/A
3M	N/A	N/A	N/A
6M	N/A	N/A	N/A

AUCTIONS

Tenor	4-Oct	20-Sep
91 days	13.25%	13.15%
182 days	15.50%	16.80%
364 days	15.73%	17.00%
VOLUME (N'bn)	130.37	215.89

CURRENCY

Currency	Current Value	1-Day Change	YTD Change
NGN/USD	305.65	↑ 0.02%	↓ -0.21%
NGN/GBP	474.77	↑ 0.64%	↓ -1.66%
NGN/EUR	423.59	↓ -0.04%	↑ 0.42%

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