## News, Views \& Statistics

## Gold Prices Claw Back Some Lost Ground From U.S.-China Trade Truce

Gold prices on Tuesday clawed back a portion of the territory lost at the start of the week after the U.S. and China declared a trade truce, but remained below $\$ 1,400$. Spot gold gained $\$ 7.50$, or $0.5 \%$, to $\$ 1,391.85$ by 9:22 AM ET (13:22 GMT), while gold futures for August delivery on the Comex division of the New York Mercantile Exchange, rose $\$ 5.25$, or $0.4 \%$, to $\$ 1,394.55$ a troy ounce. "Until last week, gold bulls were in rapturous delight, riding the crest of speculation that the Federal Reserve will agree to a 50 basis points cut rate by July," Investing.com Barani Krishnan said. Gold prices broke past $\$ 1,400$ on the prospect of lower rates, only to see Fed Chairman Jerome Powell and his senior colleague James Bullard downplay those hopes, telegraphing in their speeches that they might be considering a quarter-point snip at most. "If that wasn't enough, Saturday's meeting between presidents Donald Trump of the U.S. and Xi Jinping of China could turn the very premise of a rate cut on its head," Krishnan added, noting that the Fed said it was closely watching the outcome to see if easing was necessary. The outcome of the meeting between the leaders of the world's largest economies was sufficient to bring risk appetite back to the markets, pushing safe haven gold back below the $\$ 1,400$ handle. "For investors, the weekend deal was a 'goldilocks' outcome: good enough to stop a further escalation in the tariffs' tit-for-tat that hampers trade and slows global growth.

## Delayed monsoon slows sowing of kharif crops

A $36 \%$ deficiency in monsoon rainfall so far has impacted kharif sowing in most parts of the country. Sowing of kharif crops till Friday (June 28), according to the government data, took place in around 14.66 million hectares, which was $9.53 \%$ less than in the same period last year and $25.45 \%$ less than the average of the corresponding period in the last five years. Among major crops, the acreage under pulses till June 28 was $61.39 \%$ less than in the same period last year and $69.68 \%$ less than the average of the last five years. For coarse cereals, the corresponding figures are $10.69 \%$ and $25.31 \%$. Major varieties of pulses have taken a hit, with the arhar acreage almost $81 \%$ less than the average of the last five years. The cotton acreage till June 28 was $15.90 \%$ less than in the same period last year and almost $41 \%$ less than the average of the last five years. In oilseeds too, the acreage was almost $45 \%$ less the normal of the last five years. The water levels in the 91 major reservoirs of the country continued to fall in June. During the week ended June 27, the content was 26.3 BCM, which was $11.7 \%$ lower than in the same period last year. The levels dropped from 30.6 BCM on June 6.

| COMMODITY | CLOSE | S2 | S1 | PIVOT | R1 | R2 | TREND |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SILVER | 37001 | 36552 | 36777 | 36924 | 37149 | 37296 | Up |
| GOLD | 33975 | 33563 | 33769 | 33897 | 34103 | 34231 | Up |
| CRUDE OIL | 3952 | 3788 | 3870 | 3988 | 4070 | 4188 | Down |
| COPPER | 439.70 | 435.80 | 437.70 | 441.00 | 443.00 | 446.30 | Down |
| NATURAL GAS | 156.10 | 152.80 | 154.50 | 156.80 | 158.50 | 160.80 | Down |
| JEERA | 17105 | 16775 | 16940 | 17120 | 17285 | 17465 | Up |
| TURMERIC | 6130 | 5942 | 6036 | 6156 | 6250 | 6370 | Up |
| SOYBEAN | 3644 | 3611 | 3627 | 3659 | 3675 | 3707 | Down |
| RM SEED | 3925 | 3886 | 3906 | 3940 | 3960 | 3994 | Sideways |
| GUAR SEED | 4262 | 4199 | 4231 | 4276 | 4308 | 4353 | Down |

## International Markets

| COMMODITY | CLOSE | $\%$ <br> CHANGE |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| LONDON SPOT GOLD | $\$ 1404.60$ | +1.16 |
| LONDON SPOT SILVER | $\$ 15.18$ | +0.13 |
| NYMEX CRUDE OIL | $\$ 57.23$ | -2.79 |
| NYMEX NATURAL GAS | $\$ 2.273$ | -0.70 |

## Economic Data

| Data | Previous | Forecast | Time |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| ADP Non-Farm | 27 K | 140 K | $5: 45 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| Jobless Claim | 227 K | 220 K | $6: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| ISM Non-Mfg PMI | 56.9 | 56.1 | $7: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| Crude oil Inv. | - | -12.8 M | $8: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| NG inv. | - | 98 B | $9: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ |

## RECOMMENDATIONS

## NICKEL

NICKEL JULY: TRADING RANGE 855.00-878.00.


The trend is indecisive in this metal counter. Wait for our intraday trading strategy.

## CASTOR

CASTOR JULY: TRADING RANGE 5600-5500.


The trend is indecisive in this agro counter. Wait for our intraday trading strategy.

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