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News, Views & Statistics

Golds Holds Steady near 2-Week Highs as Italy Fears Fade

Gold prices held steady near two-week highs on Wednesday, remaining supported above the psychologically important \$1,200 level even as fears over Italy's budget woes faded, and bolstering risk appetite. December gold futures were little changed at \$1,207.9 by 09:39 AM ET (13:39 GMT) on the Comex division of the NYMEX. Prices of the yellow metal remained supported even after reports that Italy appeared to be revising its budget plans. Prices had rallied 1.29% to settle at \$1,202.4 on Tuesday as fears over Italy's budget deficits and high debt levels spooked investors, spurring safe haven demand for bullion. The precious metal had ended the third quarter down 4.6% after falling 0.9% in September as rising U.S. interest rates and the dollar's march higher in 2018 weighed. The U.S. dollar was a touch higher, with the U.S. dollar index, which measures the greenback's strength against a basket of six major currencies, up 0.11% to 95.23. Interest rate increases and higher U.S. bond yields dampen appeal for gold, which offers no yield. They also tend to boost the dollar, making dollar-denominated gold more expensive for holders of other currencies. The Federal Reserve is expected to hike rates for what would be a fourth time this year in December and investors were looking ahead to Friday's government jobs report for any indication that fresh policy tightening is in the offing. Earlier Wednesday, a report showed that U.S. private sector employers added 230,000 jobs in September, well above economists' expectations, indicating that the labor market remains robust.

Cotton arrivals picks up in Punjab mandis

Cotton arrival has picked up in Punjab mandis despite heavy rainfall in the region last week and farmers are getting prices in the range of Rs 5,300 to Rs 5,600 per quintal, which is higher than previous year's Rs 4,300- Rs 4,600 per quintal. Though arrival started about a fortnight ago, it has started picking up over the last three days. Cotton purchase started with Rs 5,600 a quintal initially when only 250-400 bales a day was coming in the region. However, now the prices have crashed to nearly Rs 5,300 a quintal, which is below the MSP. But only private players are in the market. A few farmers are selling the early-picked stock below the MSP, but the CCI has not yet stepped in, CCI did not purchase any Cotton from Punjab market for the past two years and even this year, so far they have not made a single purchase. Meanwhile, sources in the CCI office it was revealed that on an average daily arrival of Cotton in the region is between 4000- 5000 Cotton bales, and so far 34,000 Cotton bales have arrived in the Punjab mandis.

COMMODITY	CLOSE	S2	S1	ΡΙνοτ	R1	R2	TREND
SILVER	39065	38156	38611	38954	39409	39752	Down
GOLD	31351	30797	31074	31277	31554	31757	Up
CRUDE OIL	5653	5381	5517	5593	5729	5805	Up
COPPER	464.45	452.70	458.60	461.60	467.50	470.50	Sideways
NATURAL GAS	238.60	225.30	232.00	236.10	242.80	246.90	Up
JEERA	18825	18665	18745	18865	18945	19065	Down
TURMERIC	6814	6574	6694	6764	6884	6954	Sideways
SOYBEAN	3219	3153	3186	3210	3243	3267	Down
RM SEED	4142	4111	4126	4146	4161	4181	Down
GUAR SEED	4251	4152	4201	4241	4290	4330	Up

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International Markets

COMMODITY	CLOSE	%	
		CHANGE	
LONDON SPOT GOLD	\$1199.5	-0.29	
LONDON SPOT SILVER	\$14.62	-0.34	
NYMEX CRUDE OIL	\$76.67	+2.14	
NYMEX NATURAL GAS	\$3.228	+3.73	

Economic Data

Data	Previous	Forecast	Time
Jobless claim	214K	214K	6:00pm
NG Inv.	46B	47B	8:00pm

RECOMMENDATIONS

COPPER

COPPER NOV: BUY AT 461.20-461.00 TP-466.60/470.95 SL BELOW 457.40.



Copper is back on the high momentum track after a two day slack. The metal ended the day in yet another bullish candlestick to reclaim the top spot.

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