## News, Views \& Statistics

## Gold Prices Flat as U.S.-Sino Trade Worries Intensify

Gold prices were flat on Thursday after the arrest of a top executive at China-based Huawei Technologies sparked worries that it could reignite the U.S.-Sino trade dispute. Comex gold futures for February delivery inched up $0.04 \%$ to $\$ 1,243.05$ a troy ounce as of 8:52 AM ET (13:52 GMT). Market sentiment was on edge after Meng Wanzhou, the chief financial officer at smartphone company Huawei was arrested in Canada on an an extradition request by the U.S. The U.S. has been investigating whether or not she violated sanctions against Iran. The news could put the most recent call for a trade truce between the U.S. and China in jeopardy. Meanwhile, disappointing jobs data pushed the U.S. dollar lower, which helped boost some demand for gold. Initial jobless claims rose more than expected, while the ADP (NASDAQ:ADP) payrolls number was less than predicted. The U.S. dollar index, which measures the greenback's strength against a basket of six major currencies, fell $0.15 \%$ to 96.86 . Other metals were lower on the Comex, with silver futures falling $0.95 \%$ to $\$ 14.44$ a troy ounce. Platinum futures decreased $1.26 \%$ to $\$ 791.80$ while palladium Futures fell $1.37 \%$ to $\$ 1,167.90$ an ounce. Copper futures were down $1.80 \%$ to $\$ 2.724$ a pound.

## India's Oil meals export down 16\% in November

India's exports of oil meals during November 2018, provisionally reported at 311,739 tons compared to 369,522 tons in November 2017, down by $16 \%$ according to data published by the SEA. The overall export during April to November 2018 is reported at $2,043,282$ tons compared to $1,855,558$ tons during the same period of last year- up by $10 \%$. The export of rapeseed meal is sharply increased to $745,901(392,463)$ tons in first eight months, almost doubled mainly exported to South Korea, Vietnam and Thailand. The SEA release added "We understand from Ministry of Commerce/Export Inspection Council of India that China will resume import of Rapeseed Meal from India. Those five units already approved by General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China, GACC will able to resume the export of Rapeseed Meal to China once their registration with Chimes MoA is done which is cumbersome process and takes a long time. In case of resumption of export of Soybean Meal from India to China, may take some more time as Chinese GACC team likely to visit during current month to inspect/approve the units. Prior to ban in 2012, China used to import nearly half a million tons of oil meals viz. Rapeseed meal 3.5 to 4.0 lakh tons and 1.0 lakh tons of soybean meal from India." The release further added that the Iranian market has opened up for Indian soybean meal. During current year from April to November 2018, about 2 lakh tons of soybean meal shipped against last year just 23,000 tons, supporting export of oil meals from India.

| COMMODITY | CLOSE | S2 | S1 | PIVOT | R1 | R2 | TREND |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SILVER | 37290 | 36833 | 37062 | 37289 | 37518 | 37745 | Down |
| GOLD | 31155 | 30937 | 31046 | 31171 | 31280 | 31405 | Down |
| CRUDE OIL | 3609 | 3420 | 3514 | 3654 | 3748 | 3888 | Down |
| COPPER | 431.30 | 420.60 | 424.00 | 431.50 | 434.90 | 438.40 | Down |
| NATURAL GAS | 308.40 | 293.60 | 301.00 | 309.90 | 317.30 | 326.20 | Reversal |
| JEERA | 18750 | 18390 | 18570 | 18730 | 18910 | 19070 | Reversal |
| TURMERIC | 6572 | 6524 | 6548 | 6596 | 6620 | 6668 | Up |
| SOYBEAN | 3322 | 3297 | 3309 | 3333 | 3345 | 3369 | Reversal |
| RM SEED | 4001 | 3979 | 3990 | 4007 | 4018 | 4035 | Down |
| GUAR SEED | 4374 | 4292 | 4333 | 4376 | 4417 | 4460 | Up |

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## International Markets

| COMMODITY | CLOSE | $\%$ <br> CHANGE |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| LONDON SPOT GOLD | $\$ 1240.62$ | +0.29 |
| LONDON SPOT SILVER | $\$ 14.46$ | -0.14 |
| NYMEX CRUDE OIL | $\$ 51.21$ | -3.67 |
| NYMEX NATURAL GAS | $\$ 4.247$ | -1.39 |

## Economic Data

| Data | Previous | Forecast | Time |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| Non-Farm payroll | 250 K | 200 K | $7: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| Jobless Rate | $3.7 \%$ | $3.7 \%$ | - |
| NG Inv. | -59 B | $-57 \mathrm{~B}-$ | $9: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ |

## RECOMMENDATIONS

## ZINC

ZINC DEC: TRADING RANGE 184.50-189.50.


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## GUARSEED

GUARSEED JAN: SELL AT 4380-4385 TP-4313 SL ABOVE 4420.


As updated by us in our previous report, Guarseed returned to bearish track as it tumbled below key support levels.

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