

Silver Prices Traded Flat Amid Rising Yields and Strengthening Dollar:

Silver prices traded in a tight range due to mounting inflation and aggressive interest rate policy. Benchmark yields raised several basis points. The 10-year yield rose to 2.7%, the highest level since March 2019. Gold and silver prices traded flat as rate tightening dulls their appeal. The dollar extended gains, which were underpinned by the Fed's aggressive tightening.

The Silver future of may-22 expiry jumped nearly 0.70% or \$0.172 to settle at \$24.90 an ounce. While the Gold futures for June rose by 0.55% or \$10.60 to settle at \$1,948.40 an ounce on the Comex division of the New York Mercantile.

The Fed's hawkish tone in the minutes from its latest meeting also gave the greenback a boost. St. Louis Fed President James Bullard added on Thursday that he prefers hiking the policy rate to 3% to 3.25% in the second half of 2022. However, Chicago Fed President Charles Evans and his Atlanta counterpart Raphael Bostic said that they favor hiking rates to neutral while continuing to monitor the economy.

Bullion is being supported by the Ukraine war, rapid inflation, and the COVID-19 pandemic. However, the Fed's aggressive stance to combat inflation, recovering bond yields, the stronger dollar, and easing of pandemic restrictions on higher vaccination rates will put a lid on prices. (Source: <https://www.fxempire.com/>)



Technical Outlook:

MCX SILVER (MAY) price is taking support at 66,000 level, near to its 50.00% Fibonacci retracement level of 66,400 on a Daily chart. After pullback from higher level of 73046, prices are expected to continue its upside momentum. The last few sessions ended in sideways to upside trend. As per the technical aspects based on the current price action, silver price is facing major resistance in the range of 68,000 – 67,500 which is also coinciding with Fibonacci retracement of 38.20%, if it closes above 68,000 then an upside rally could continue up to 70,000 – 72,000 levels. An alternative scenario indicates that if it breaks and sustain below the support level of 66,000 then selling pressure could emerge for the downside target of 65,000 – 63,500 levels in upcoming sessions.

@ Futures	Expiry Date	Quotation/ Base Value	Close	WoW % change	52 wk H/L	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	Trend
MCXBULLDEX	26-Apr-22	INDEX	15081	0.54%	16286/13861	13667	13793	13987	14113	14307	MODERATE
GOLD	3-JUN-22	10 GM	52099	1.47%	55558/47000	46772	47113	47642	47983	48512	MODERATE
SILVER	5-May-22	1 KG	66990	0.39%	73080/59951	58477	59573	61107	62203	63737	MODERATE
CRUDE OIL	19-Apr-22	Rs/bbl	7365	-2.57%	9996/5544	5355	5601	5789	6035	6223	DOWN
NG	26-Apr-22	Rs/mmBtu	479	9.61%	443/264	264	277	287	300	310	UP
COPPER	29-Apr-22	1 KG	820	0.49%	886/731	720	731	741	752	762	MODERATE
NICKEL	29-Apr-22	1 KG	2550	4.29%	5617/1543	1518	1542	1566	1590	1614	MODERATE
LEAD	29-Apr-22	1 KG	186	-0.53%	198/182	183	185	186	188	189	UP
ZINC	29-Apr-22	1 KG	359	0.84%	377/285	280	284	289	293	298	UP
ALUMINIUM	29-Apr-22	1 KG	277	-1.39%	325/223	218	225	230	237	242	MODERATE