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News, Views & Statistics
Gold Prices Mark Fresh 3-Month High as Dollar Continues Decline

Gold prices headed higher on Friday, marking fresh 3-month highs, as investors continued to seek out the precious metal as a safe haven against a sea of geopolitical tensions and global macro uncertainties, while a falling dollar also lent support. At 9:44 AM ET (13:44 GMT), gold futures for December delivery on the Comex division of the New York Mercantile Exchange gained \$4.20, or 0.34%, to \$1,234.50 a troy ounce. Tuesday's intraday high of \$1,235.90 is its highest level since July 16. Meanwhile, the U.S. dollar index, which tracks the greenback against a basket of six major currencies, was down 0.19% to 94.59. A weaker dollar boosts demand for gold as it makes dollar-denominated commodities more affordable for holders of other currencies. Gold is still down about 9% from its April peak, as the dollar had benefited from early signs of the Federal Reserve's preference for a higher-for-longer interest rate plan. But after the Fed increased rates for the third time this year, the recent spike in U.S. bond yields coupled with last week's downturn in U.S. equities (their largest weekly decline since March), have shifted demand from the greenback to gold. U.S. President Donald Trump's renewed attacks on the Fed's policy tightening have also highlighted the political pressure on the U.S. central bank. Former Fed Chief Janet Yellen reportedly warned Monday that the president's remarks were "essentially damaging to the Fed and to financial stability," adding that she did not believe that it was "a desirable thing for a president to comment so explicitly on Fed policy".

Centre's Oilseeds, Pulses procurement to reach new record high

With the introduction of new scheme PM-AASHA Centre's procurement of Oilseeds and Pulses this year is expected to reach record levels. Until last year, procurement in Oilseeds was not significant (in 2017-18 crop seasons it was just about 1.97 million tons of the 30-31 million tons production). In Pulses, though 2017-18 was a year of record procurement in absolute terms, it was still only 18 per cent of production (4.5 million tons). Market prices of Oilseeds including Soybean, Groundnut and Sunflower are ruling below MSP now. Procurement operations have not begun in many States because of high moisture content in the crops and they do not match the FAQ (fair & average quality) standards. But market players expect this to start soon. While nutri cereals or millets (Maize, Bajra, Jowar and Ragi) will be procured under the regular MSP operations of the Food Corporation of India, procurement of Oilseeds will be through the PDPS scheme or PSS whichever the State opts for and procurement of Pulses will be through PSS.

COMMODITY	CLOSE	S2	S1	PIVOT	R1	R2	TREND
SILVER	38910	38641	38775	39044	39178	39447	Down
GOLD	31918	31735	31827	31993	32085	32251	Up
CRUDE OIL	5266	5162	5214	5266	5318	5370	Up
COPPER	452.10	448.20	450.10	453.20	455.20	458.30	Sideways
NATURAL GAS	238.00	230.90	234.40	239.10	242.60	247.30	Up
JEERA	19955	19665	19810	19965	20110	20265	Down
TURMERIC	6508	6408	6458	6560	6610	6712	Sideways
SOYBEAN	3271	3231	3251	3288	3308	3345	Down
RM SEED	4165	4136	4150	4170	4184	4204	Down
GUAR SEED	4397.5	4346	4372	4410	4436	4474	Up

International Markets

COMMODITY	CLOSE	% CHANGE
LONDON SPOT GOLD	\$1227.75	+0.85
LONDON SPOT SILVER	\$14.67	-0.07
NYMEX CRUDE OIL	\$71.88	+0.29
NYMEX NATURAL GAS	\$3.239	-0.58

Economic Data

Data	Previous	Forecast	Time
Building Permits	1.25M	1.28M	6:00pm
Housing Starts	1.28M	1.21M	-
Crude Oil Inv.	6.0M	-	8:00pm

RECOMMENDATIONS

CRUDE OIL

CRUDE OIL NOV: TRADING RANGE 5185 -5350.



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TURMERIC

TURMERIC NOV: TRADING RANGE 6350 -6550.



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