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#### **News, Views & Statistics**

#### Gold Prices Reclaim \$1,200 Ahead of New U.S. Tariffs on China

Gold prices edged higher on Monday, reclaiming the key \$1,200-level amid renewed fears over an escalating trade war between the world's two largest economies. Comex gold futures were up \$2.00, or 0.2%, at \$1,203.10 a troy ounce by 9:00AM ET. Meanwhile, spot gold was trading at \$1,200.08 per ounce, up \$5.80, or 0.5%. Market focus will largely be attuned to the next potential steps in the tit-for-tat trade dispute between the U.S. and China. U.S. President Donald Trump is likely to announce new tariffs on about \$200 billion on Chinese imports as early as Monday, according to a senior administration official. The tariff level will probably be about 10%, the Wall Street Journal reported, far below the 25% the administration said it was considering for this possible round of tariffs. The WSJ later reported that China may decline to participate in proposed trade talks with the U.S. later this month if the Trump administration moves forward with additional tariffs on imported Chinese goods, as Beijing won't negotiate under threat. Officials are also considering potential retaliation steps, the report said. Investors have shunned gold despite an escalation in global trade tensions, indicating that the precious metal may be losing its safe-haven status. Instead, market players opted to pile in to the U.S. dollar in the belief that the United States has less to lose from the dispute. In other metals action, silver futures were 9.3 cents, or 0.6%, higher at \$14.23 a troy ounce.

### India's Vegetable Oil imports may fall by 7-8 lakh tons in 2017-18: SEA

India's imports of vegetable oils (edible and non-edible) for the 2017-18 oil year ( that ends in October) is expected to hover around 14.7-14.8 lakh tons, lesser by about 7-8 lakh tons from 2016-17, the Solvent Extractors' Association of India (SEA) said. This will be the first decline in the veg oil imports to the country in at least four years since 2013-14, when the numbers were at 11.61 lakh tons, SEA said. So far this year, between November 2017 and August 2018, vegetable oil imports stood at 12.27 lakh tons, reporting a drop of 3.7%. After a series of measures taken by the government after the veg oil imports crossed 15.4 lakh tons last year, imports had started declining. The Centre had hiked import duty on edible oils in March this year, thereby making imports costlier. However, due to importers finding an alternate route from neighboring countries by misusing SAFTA, the duty hike didn't yield any desired effect. "Imports from neighboring countries particularly Bangladesh and Nepal under SAFTA by land route continued," SEA said. The imports took place mostly in tank lorries or consumer packs in about 800-1,000 tons per day via Eastern India. However, for August 2018, vegetable oil imports jumped from 11.19 lakh tons in previous month to 15.12 lakh tons. The recent rupee depreciation failed to create an impact as pipelines dried up due to lesser imports during June, July.

COMMODITY	CLOSE	S2	<b>S1</b>	PIVOT	R1	R2	TREND
SILVER	37415	36980	37197	37354	37571	37728	Up
GOLD	30751	30461	30606	30703	30848	30945	Up
CRUDE OIL	4983	4915	4949	4999	5033	5083	Up
COPPER	429.05	422.00	425.50	427.70	431.30	433.50	Up
NATURAL GAS	204.10	198.50	201.30	203.20	206.00	207.90	Down
JEERA	19875	19525	19700	19835	20010	20145	Down
TURMERIC	6590	6478	6534	6634	6690	6790	Sideways
SOYBEAN	3234	3192	3213	3233	3254	3274	Down
RM SEED	4200	4168	4184	4203	4219	4238	Down
GUAR SEED	4187.5	4105	4146	4197	4238	4289	Up

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# **International Markets**

COMMODITY	CLOSE	%	
		CHANGE	
LONDON SPOT GOLD	\$1201.16	+0.64	
LONDON SPOT SILVER	\$14.18	+0.93	
NYMEX CRUDE OIL	\$68.76	-0.33	
NYMEX NATURAL GAS	\$2.813	+1.70	

#### **Economic Data**

Data	Previous	Forecast	Time
No major release	-	-	-

# **RECOMMENDATIONS**

# **CRUDE OIL**

CRUDE OIL SEP-SELL AT 5005-5007 TP-4941 SL ABOVE 5050.



Crude oil resumed south bound journey yesterday after a surprising recovery seen on Friday. The fuel of the fuels' is likely to be in a corrective mode today as well.



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