## News, Views \& Statistics

## Oil rises to \$51 after steep slide; growth fears weigh

Oil rose to $\$ 51$ a barrel on Wednesday on perceptions that a price slide to 2017 lows prompted by economic worries had been overdone amid an OPEC-led effort to tighten supply. Crude has been caught up in wider financial market weakness as the U.S. government shutdown, higher U.S. interest rates and the U.S.-China trade dispute unnerved investors and exacerbated worries over global growth. MKTS/GLOB. Brent crude LCOc1, the global benchmark, was up 70 cents at $\$ 51.17$ at 1120 GMT. It earlier fell to $\$ 49.93$, the lowest since July 2017, and posted a 6.2 percent slide in the previous session. U.S. crude CLc1 was up 68 cents at $\$ 43.21$. "I think there is a little bit of over-extension to the downside linked to global market fears," said Olivier Jakob, analyst at Petromatrix. "It's all about equities." "OPEC has shown it wants a higher prices and is working towards that goal." Trade was thin due to the Christmas holidays. Asian stock markets retreated again on Wednesday. Markets in Britain, Germany and France will remain closed on Wednesday. While economic worries have weighed, the outlook is not as weak as in 2016 when a supply glut built up, because the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries this time is trying to prop up the market, Jakob said. Concerned that a new glut could form, OPEC and its allies including Russia decided earlier this month to return to a policy of cutting production in 2019, unwinding a decision taken in June 2018 to pump more oil.

## UP urge Centre to hike States Sugar sale quota

Uttar Pradesh has asked the Centre to increase the state's Sugar sale quota and hike the minimum ex-factory sale price from Rs 2,900 per quintal to Rs 3,250 , given that mills in the country's largest producing state are still struggling to clear the last season's cane dues of Rs 2,130 crore. In the current season 2018-19, mills have produced 21.74 lakh tonnes and the total production is estimated to be around 125 lakh tonnes, after deducting the buffer stock and export quota, the state will still be left with 117 lakh tonnes of Sugar. The entire stock needs to be cleared in 12 months from December 2018 to November 2019, the state needs to have a monthly Sugar sale quota of 11 lakh tonnes. Against this, the monthly sales quota fixed for UP has been 6.25 lakh tonnes for June, 5.48 lakh tonnes for July, 6.11 lakh tonnes for August, 6.83 lakh tonnes for September, 8.06 lakh tonnes for October and 7.67 lakh tonnes for November 2018. Due to the low sales quota, mills are unable to sell their Sugar and repay the farmers on time, the problem is compounded by the fact that the ex-factory price of Sugar has been fixed at a paltry Rs 2,900 /quintal.

| COMMODITY | CLOSE | S2 | S1 | PIVOT | R1 | R2 | TREND |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SILVER | 38253 | 37777 | 38000 | 38107 | 38550 | 38900 | Up |
| GOLD | 31559 | 31198 | 31324 | 31593 | 31630 | 31800 | Up |
| CRUDE OIL | 3214 | 3100 | 3150 | 3151 | 3260 | 3317 | Reversal |
| COPPER | 421.05 | 410.00 | 415.00 | 419.20 | 424.40 | 429.00 | Down |
| NATURAL GAS | 241.70 | 234.40 | 242.40 | 240.60 | 249.00 | 257.70 | Down |
| JEERA | 17280 | 16920 | 17100 | 17250 | 17430 | 17580 | Reversal |
| TURMERIC | 6820 | 6383 | 6601 | 6711 | 6929 | 7039 | Up |
| SOYBEAN | 3365 | 3293 | 3329 | 3351 | 3387 | 3409 | Reversal |
| RM SEED | 3922 | 3843 | 3883 | 3912 | 3952 | 3981 | Reversal |
| GUAR SEED | 4248 | 4068 | 4158 | 4220 | 4310 | 4372 | Reversal |

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## International Markets

| COMMODITY | CLOSE | $\%$ <br> CHANGE |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| LONDON SPOT GOLD | $\$ 1269.85$ | +0.24 |
| LONDON SPOT SILVER | $\$ 15.03$ | +0.09 |
| NYMEX CRUDE OIL | $\$ 46.12$ | -1.05 |
| NYMEX NATURAL GAS | $\$ 3.455$ | +0.88 |

## Economic Data

| Data | Previous | Forecast | Time |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jobless Claims | 214 K | 220 K | 7:00PM |
| Cons Confidence | 133 | 135 | $8: 30 \mathrm{PM}$ |

## RECOMMENDATIONS

## CRUDE OIL

CRUDE OIL JAN: TRADING RANGE 2900-3150.


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## GUARSEED

GUARSEED JAN: TRADING RANGE 4200-4330.


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