

Major Indices stuck in a tight range, with traders focused on opportunities outside of index

Sensex (76993) / Nifty (23466)



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Future Outlook

The week was characterized by a steady climb in Nifty with prices making fresh new highs throughout the week. However, traders found it challenging to trade within the key indices due to sluggish intraday movements. On Friday as well, Nifty opened positively but lacked follow-through buying, remaining confined within a 50-point range and ending with a 0.29% gain, just above **23450**. For the week, Nifty added 0.75% to the bulls' kitty.

Summing up the weekly trading activity for the key indices, it was a dull week. This is evident on the daily chart, which shows a series of small-body candles indicating bullish fatigue and a time-wise correction phase. Throughout the week, prices remained within the 23300 - 23500 range. For the coming week, this key range extends to 23200 - 23600. Beyond this zone, momentum is expected to pick up again, as the hourly Bollinger Band has contracted significantly. According to technical analysis, a period of low volatility is typically followed by high volatility. Traders are advised to monitor these levels and adjust their trades accordingly. The market undertone remains positive, so traders should consider buying on dips and booking profits at higher levels.

While it was a lethargic week for the key indices, it was notable for strong performance in the mid-cap and small-cap sectors, which outperformed significantly. Traders were advised to continue with thematic strategies, focusing on sectors likely to benefit from the upcoming union budget.



Long Short Ratio soared to 47%

Nifty spot closed at 23465.60 this week, against a close of 23290.15 last week. The Put-Call Ratio has increased from 1.15 to 1.30 on a weekly basis. The annualized Cost of Carry is positive at 0.13%. The Open Interest of Nifty Futures increased by 2.30%.

Derivatives View

Nifty current month's future closed with a premium of 1.05 against a premium of 35 points to its spot in the previous week. Next month's future is trading at a premium of 122.95 points.

The Indian equity market witnessed a lackluster week of trade, wherein the benchmark index maintained its positive stature throughout but remained confined in a slender range of 300 odd points only. The Nifty50 index registered a record-high closure above the 24450 zone, procuring 0.75 percent in the week amidst participation from the broader market space. In the derivatives segment, we observed an insignificant move, but the inclination was toward long addition in the Nifty. On the options front, decent piling of OI was seen at 23400-23300 PE, suggesting an upward shift in the support base. On the flip side, the 23500 CE withholds decent OI concentration, and a decisive move could trigger short covering, propelling Nifty to uncharted territory. Stronger hands continued a mixed bag of trade in cash segment, while added decent longs in the index futures, resulting in an upsurge in the Long Short Ratio to 47% from 30% on WoW basis. Considering these developments, the undertone of the market seems robust, and dips should augur well for the buyers in the upcoming week.

OI Futures	OI Chg (%)	Price	Price Chg(%)
1100000	58.57	9539.00	13.02

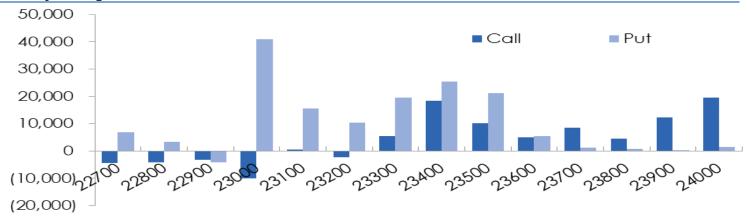
OFSS	1100000	58.57	9539.00	13.02
COROMANDEL	3480400	38.69	1483.85	8.25
IEX	74940000	20.56	179.90	9.49
CROMPTON	18298800	17.19	426.85	6.99
DIXON	1743600	16.37	11275.30	12.59

Long Formation

	Short Formation				
Scrip	OI Futures	OI Chg (%)	Price	Price Chg(%)	
INDIGO	9396000	77.77	4281.90	(2.49)	
MPHASIS	5048450	76.16	2414.65	(2.44)	
MARICO	17215200	33.76	620.35	(5.28)	
COFORGE	2369100	27.35	5198.30	(4.43)	
APOLLOTYRE	18626900	26.66	476.50	(2.22)	



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