

Geopolitical Tensions Trigger Volatility; Bulls Hold Key Support

Sensex (79213) / Nifty (24039)



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Future Outlook

The week kicked off with a gap-up opening, pushing Nifty past the key **24000** mark. As the week progressed, the index continued its upward movement in a steady manner. However, on Friday, escalating geopolitical tensions between India and Pakistan triggered a sharp sell-off, wiping out the week's gains. Fortunately, bulls staged a bounce back in the latter half of the session, allowing Nifty to close with a modest weekly gain of 0.79%, just above the **24000** level.

Following an impressive 12% rally from April's swing lows, Nifty had entered overbought territory, making a correction likely. Given the strong uptrend, a time-wise correction seemed more probable, but the geopolitical uncertainty led to a sharper price correction instead. Despite this, the overall structure remains positive. By surpassing the February-March swing highs, Nifty has confirmed a strong bullish breakout on the charts. The breakout zone around 23900–23800 provided crucial support on Friday and continues to act as a key pivotal level. If geopolitical tensions escalate or this support is breached, a deeper correction towards the 23500–23300 zone could unfold. On the upside, while the broader trend remains bullish, immediate resistance is seen at 24250–24350. A move above this zone would confirm a continuation of the primary uptrend. Traders should stay cautious and monitor these key levels, as the next leg of the move may not be as smooth as the recent rally.

Additionally, the Nifty Midcap Index corrected after facing resistance at its 200 DSMA. Until this level is decisively surpassed, a selective approach toward midcap stocks is advisable.



FIIs Sustain Strong Liquidity Inflows into Indian Equities

Nifty spot closed at **24039** this week, against a close of at **23852** last week. The Put-Call Ratio has slightly increased from **1.17** to **0.87** on a weekly basis. The Open Interest of Nifty Futures decreased by **14.70%**.

Derivatives View

Nifty current month's future closed with a premium of 99.75 against a premium of 104.75 points to its spot in the previous week. Next month's future is trading at a premium of 204.05 points.

The Nifty index crossed 24000 with steady gains but a Friday sell-off erased progress before a late rebound closed the week up 0.79%. On the derivatives front, both major indices witnessed unwinding in the futures segment on a weekly basis, largely due to the monthly expiry. In the options segment, the Nifty index saw fresh short positions, while long unwinding was evident in the banking index. Option build-up remained scattered, with significant accumulation on OTM call strikes, indicating resistance in the 24300–24500 zone. The Long-Short Ratio slightly dipped to 37% from 41% on Friday. Despite decent profit-taking, the index managed to hold above the key support zone of 24,000–23,800, keeping the overall bias positive.

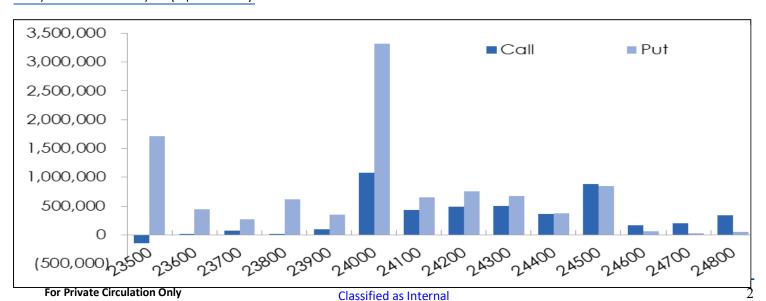
Long Formation

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Scrip	OI Futures	OI Chg (%)	Price	Price Chg(%)
INOXWIND	21978375	110.21	172.72	5.77
RBLBANK	82209450	26.34	188.89	2.71
IIFL	11085600	18.74	366.45	9.57
APOLLOTYRE	10058900	17.99	463.20	2.14
HINDZINC	5681550	17.69	446.25	1.22

Short Formation

Scrip	OI Futures	OI Chg (%)	Price	Price Chg(%)
SYNGENE	10091000	64.24	633.15	(12.89)
ACC	3994200	24.50	1945.20	(5.54)
HAVELLS	9208500	20.84	1601.50	(2.06)
TITAGARH	3502950	11.65	762.70	(3.37)
SHRIRAMFIN	32833950	8.49	657.25	(4.82)

Nifty Put-Call Analysis (April series)





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