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Market awaits solid trigger to end the slumber phase

Sensex (60683) / Nifty (17856)



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Future outlook

After couple of weeks of dramatic moves with respect to ADANI saga, things seemed to have come to an equilibrium towards the fag end of previous week. We started the proceedings on Monday on a soft note and remained sluggish for the first couple of sessions. This was followed by some promising action on the subsequent sessions. Nifty approached the higher end of recent trading range; but once again with lack of conviction, our markets looked a bit tentative on Friday to conclude the session almost at previous week's close.

We have certainly weathered the storm and market has digested most of the pain from recent fiasco. Now since we are trading around the crucial juncture, market is awaiting some solid trigger to come of the recent slumber phase. The breakout could happen either side but if we have to predict one, we would certainly like to stay positive. Hopefully, the contraction of range breaks out higher and the trend deciding level to watch out for would be **18000**. This will confirm the completion of long corrective phase. We can then see some exuberant moves in market as the sentiments are likely to improve drastically post the breakout. On the flipside, the support range is visible around **17800 - 17700**.

We reiterate that if benchmark has to surpass the **18000** mark, the heavyweight banking space needs to participate heavily. This week, banking stocks kept on sulking and hence, we failed to make a move beyond these hurdles. Hopefully it finds its mojo soon and propels market higher. Apart from this, the broader market did well towards the latter half of the week. The way NIFTY MIDCAP50 index is shaped up, we remain hopeful to see some encouraging moves in the coming week.



Market remains indecisive, amidst mixed F&O data

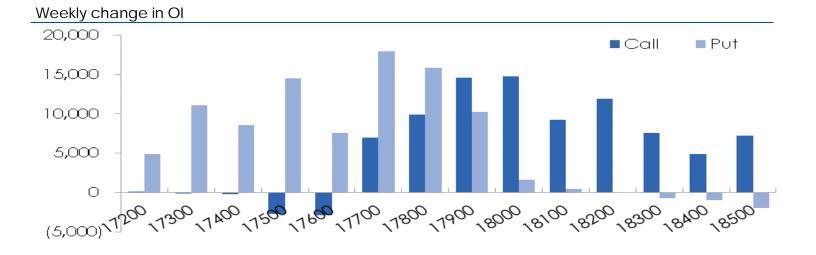
Nifty spot closed at **17856.50** this week, against a close of **17854.05** last week. The Put-Call Ratio has decreased from **1.17** to **1.05** on Weekly basis. The annualized Cost of Carry is positive at **3.24%**. The Open Interest of Nifty Futures increased by **5%**.

Derivatives View

Nifty current month's future closed with a premium of 20.60 against a premium of 48.10 points to its spot in the previous week. Next month's future is trading at a premium of 121.05 points.

The Indian equity market has witnessed a lackluster week of trade, wherein the key indices remained in a slender range with no clarity in the trend. In the F&O segment, we saw a mixed bag move throughout the week, and the stronger hands covered some of their shorts in the system. On the options front, maximum OI concentration is seen at 17800 put strike, indicating nearby support for Nifty. On the flip side, the 18000-call strike has the highest OI concentration, indicating stiff resistance in a comparable period. The 'Long Short ratio' has marginally declined to 18% from 19% on a weekly basis. The positioning looks a bit oversold, and any short covering should be an encouraging sign for our markets. We need to keep a close tab on the mentioned levels, as any breakthrough could dictate the near-term trend in the market.

Long Formation					Short Formation				
Scrip	OI Futures	OI Chg (%)	Price	Price Chg(%)	Scrip	OI Futures	Ol Chg (%)	Price	Price Chg(%)
ALKEM	828800	224.00	3268.25	7.60	UBL	1760800	42.41	1472.90	(6.69)
CUMMINSIND	2539800	87.38	1594.10	10.28	INDIGO	3365100	42.33	2036.05	(3.50)
ABB	1953250	36.47	3176.10	12.82	TATASTEEL	202070000	29.00	109.20	(9.34)
NAUKRI	1871125	29.92	3830.25	4.26	LICHSGFIN	11668000	19.72	379.30	(5.29)
DELTACORP	18180400	16.09	205.05	7.58	PAGEIND	130500	19.42	38769.25	(3.03)



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