

## March 20, 2024

## "Turnover takes a plunge to a monthlow, post yesterday's sky-high ride"

The bourse took a dip for the second day straight, as profit-taking persisted, causing the index to slip into the red, which closed at 11,241, down by 35 points. The day saw a fairly neutral contribution to the index, with the banking sector displaying mixed sentiment throughout the day, whilst active collection was evident on SAMP and PABC. Additionally, active investor participation was also observed on PD counters, primarily FCT during the day. Meanwhile, the market turnover dipped to its lowest level for the month, reaching LKR 910.1Mn, which is 47.8% below the monthly average of LKR 1.7Bn, following a notable spike yesterday. Notably, the Banking, Capital Goods, and Food, Beverage & Tobacco sectors jointly contributed 57% of the overall turnover during today's trading session. Moreover, the total number of trades for the day reached only 11,517, marking nearly a three-week low. Furthermore, foreign investors shifted to a net buying position, with a net inflow of LKR 1.9Mn recorded during the day.



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-15 -5 Estimated Value (LKR 'MN)