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"Bourse breaks 5 day losing streak; spikes into green"

The bourse began the day on a bullish note, driven by enthusiastic participation from retail investors, resulting in the market reaching an intraday high of 12,050 before closing at 11,905, marking a gain of 77 points. Despite the prevailing uncertainties, trading activity showed signs of recovery on the second trading day of the week with increased interest observed on the index heavyweights such as HAYL and LOLC, whilst improved activities were also seen on the mid-cap entities such as BIL and CARG. However, slight selling pressure continued to be visible on the banking sector shares, notably on SAMP, NTB, and NDB. Daily turnover slightly increased to LKR 2.5Bn, up 7.9% from the monthly average of LKR 2.3Bn. The Food, Beverage, and Tobacco sector led turnover at 27%, while Diversified Financials and Capital Goods sectors jointly contributed 37% to turnover. Foreign investors turned net sellers, with a net outflow of LKR 5.7Mn.

