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"ASPI reaches weekly high with a 2% increase from last week"

The bourse continued to propel its course with positive momentum and significant gains. The market experienced a slow start at the beginning of the day but gradually picked up its momentum by mid-day. The ASPI closed at 12,404, continuing the trends of the past week in reaching its highest levels since February 2022 and marking a 0.41% increase from the previous day to which the most significant contributors were BUKI, CFIN, NDB, AHPL, and CCS, where BUKI and CFIN led the way. Investor sentiment remained strong, steering keen interest in a variety of sectors, notably the NBFI, retail, and tourism sectors. Turnover saw a decline from the previous day, reflecting slow market activity at the beginning of the day, standing at LKR 2.5Bn with a 19.8% decrease from the previous day, where the Diversified Financials sector led turnover at 23%, followed by the Capital Goods, and Food, Beverage and Tobacco sectors jointly contributing to 35% of overall turnover, further reflecting the varied interests of investors in the market. There was a net foreign outflow of LKR 56.2Mn signaling interest in outward investments. The market overall saw a day of positive investor sentiment and gains, sustaining its course in an optimistic direction led by the NBFI sector.

