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## "ASPI touches one week-high"

The bourse witnessed another day of gains, initially marked by subdued sentiment, but gathered bullish momentum post mid-day, resulting in index to close at 12,190 gaining 85 points to reach a one week high. Speculations surrounding external debt restructuring (EDR) and the finalization of the disbursement of the IMF 3rd tranche stabilized investor sentiment, albeit investors remained cautious. Conglomerates, banks, and export sector counters primarily influenced the index, with BREW, HNB, LOLC, NDB, and DIAL standing out as the most significant contributors. Additionally, balanced participation between retail investors and HNWIs was also observed. Meanwhile, turnover saw a 18.8%WoW increase, reaching a total of LKR 1.2Bn. However, it dropped by 26.4% compared to the monthly average standing LKR 1.7Bn. The Banking sector led turnover at 29.8%, with the Capital Goods and Materials sectors jointly contributing 38.1% to the overall turnover. Foreign investors remained net sellers, recording a net outflow of LKR 104.8Mn.

