

July 25, 2024 "Bourse in red after two consecutive sessions of gains"

The Colombo bourse slipped into negative territory today, influenced by subdued investor sentiment amid uncertainties regarding the country's political landscape. Consequently, ASPI concluded the day at 11,641, losing 61 points after 2 continuous sessions of gains, reflecting the ongoing market volatility. The index heavyweights dragged the market down significantly where LOLC, MELS, HNB, COMB and CFIN emerged as the top negative contributors. Despite muted participation of the HNWIs for the second consecutive day retail investors largely contributed to the overall turnover, where turnover stood at LKR 503.2Mn, marking a 58.1% decrease from the monthly average standing at LKR 1.2Bn. Furthermore, the Banking sector led the turnover with 16%, followed by the Capital Goods and Food, Beverage and Tobacco sectors jointly contributing 30% to the overall turnover.

