

"Market down by 1.1%"

The Broad Market commenced the week by shattering investor expectations, as the prevailing political uncertainties in the country continued to cloud sentiment. S&P SL20 hovered below the 3000 level today and ASPI closed the session at 10,663 losing 113 points. The Banking sector counters, and blue-chip entities exerted negative pressure on the index where COMB, HNB, CTC, SAMP and RCL emerged as the top negative contributors to the index. Amidst the mixed participation, turnover recorded at LKR 1.2Bn, marking a 62.3% increase from the monthly average standing at LKR 763.0Mn. The Food, Beverage and Tobacco sector contributed 46% to the overall turnover whilst the Banking and Capital Goods sectors jointly contributed 44% to the total turnover. Foreign investors turned net buyers, recording an inflow of LKR 44.8Mn.

