

"ASPI climbs to a two-week high" Colombo Bourse started the week continuing the

positive sentiment of the previous week. The ASPI started the day on a steady note and experienced selling pressure in the first few trading hours. However, the index recovered post midday and closed the day at 10,826 gaining 143 points while reaching a two-week high. Improved participation of the retail investors was also observed. The Banking sector counters, and index heavy weights contributed to the index majorly while SAMP, HNB, JKH, SPEN and HAYL emerged as the top positive contributors to the index. Meanwhile, turnover was recorded at LKR 931.5Mn, marking a 1.4% increase from the monthly average standing at LKR 918.5Mn. The Banking sector solely contributed 46% to the overall turnover whilst the Capital Goods and Food, Beverage and Tobacco sectors jointly contributed 24% to the total turnover. Foreign investors turned net sellers, recording an outflow of LKR 78.2Mn.

