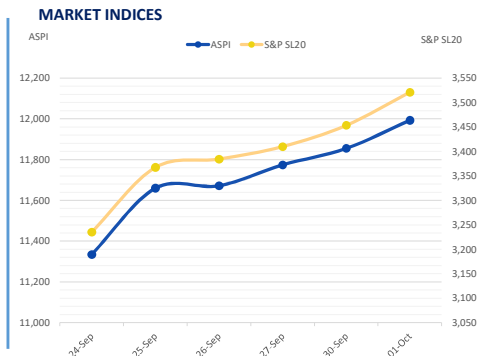
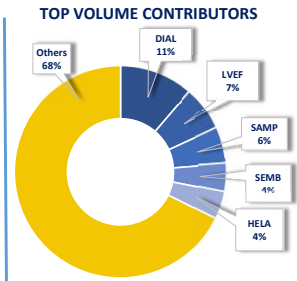
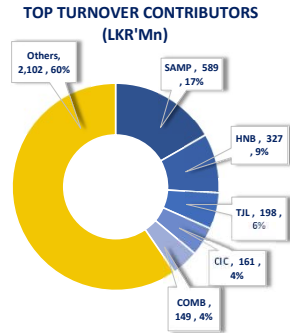


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**"Banking and Consumer Durables sector counters on the lead"**

Investors continued the positive sentiment for the 11th consecutive day as Banking sector and Consumer Durables & Apparel sector counters contributed towards the momentum. The Colombo Bourse opened the day on a negative note with dull investor sentiment. However, the index rebounded quickly and surged to an intraday high of 12,008 in the post midday. Ultimately, the index closed the session at 11,993 gaining only 138 points. Notably, HNB and SAMP recorded 4.6% and 1.0% price increases respectively whilst, Consumer Durables & Apparel sector stocks saw renewed buying interest following the announcement that export earnings from the Apparel and Textile sector rose by 17.5%YoY, reaching USD 512.1Mn in Aug-24 compared to Aug-23. Additionally, HNB, JKH, COMB, DFCC and SAMP emerged as the top positive contributors to the index. Meanwhile, on the back of nine off-board transactions, turnover stood at LKR 3.5Bn, marking over 100% increase from the monthly average standing at LKR 1.6Bn. The Banking sector solely contributed 44% to the overall turnover whilst the Capital Goods and Consumer Durables sectors jointly contributed 22% to the total turnover.

	LKR	USD		
TURNOVER (Mn)	3,526.50	11.02	▲	35.1%
MARKET CAP. (Bn)	4,407.76	13.77	▲	0.6%
VOLUME (Mn)	133.87		▲	5.9%
FOREIGN (LKR Mn)	66.04	569.25		-503.21
VALUATIONS	PER 8.1x	PBV 1.0x		



<b>ASPI</b>	<b>11,992.91</b>
Intraday Points	137.86
	1.16%
<b>S&amp;P SL20</b>	<b>3,520.92</b>
Intraday Points	67.51
	1.95%

