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## "Banks, Blue-chips and selected NBFI counters drive the ASPI"

The Broad Market experienced mixed sentiment during the trading session; however, increased buying interest in Banks, Blue-chips, and selected NBFI counters drove the ASPI to close day in green at 12,357, gaining 57 points. JKH, COMB, SAMP, NDB and CFIN emerged as the top positive contributors to the index. Meanwhile, amidst the improved participation from HNW investors, turnover stood at LKR 2.3Bn, marking a 2.6% increase from the monthly average, where off-board transactions contributed 17.0% of the overall turnover. The Banking sector led the turnover at 35%, followed by the Capital Goods and Food, Beverage & Tobacco sectors jointly contributing 41% of the overall turnover. Foreign investors remained net buyers, with a net inflow of LKR 118.1Mn.

