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## "ASPI dips amidst profit-taking"

Investors booked profit during today's trading session, resulting in a dip in the ASPI during the initial trading hours. However, the index saw a slight recovery in the post midday, to close the day at 12,796, losing 59 points. The Banking sector and blue-chip stocks experienced a slightly negative sentiment compared to the previous sessions where MELS, HNB, LOLC, HHL, and COMB emerged as the top negative contributors to the index. Meanwhile, amidst the improved participation from HNW investors, turnover experienced a 28.0% increase from yesterday and stood at LKR 2.4Bn, marking a 15.9% decrease monthly average standing at LKR 2.8Bn. Moreover, Banking sector led the turnover by 60%, followed by the Food, Beverage & Tobacco and Capital Goods sectors jointly contributing 19% of the overall turnover. Foreign investors turned net buyers, with a net inflow of LKR 15.8Mn.

