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"Increased market activity led by Banks and Consumer Services"

The bourse experienced a day of positive sentiment and increased activity. The ASPI went up 224 points and closed at 16,597, showcasing a 1.37% increment, attributed to an increase in both HNW and retail participation. DFCC, SAMP, NDB, RCL and HNB emerged as the top positive contributors to the index. During today's trading session, investor attention was focused on mid cap banks such as DFCC, HDFC and NDB, contributing to increased activity in the Banking Sector as a whole. Consumer Services sector counters picked up following the electricity tariff cut, resulting in positive sentiment towards the sector. Turnover stood at LKR 8.3Bn, marking an 18.1% increase from the monthly average of LKR 7.0Bn. The Banking sector led the turnover with a 44% contribution, followed by the Capital Goods sector at 12%. The Diversified Financials and Materials sectors tied at 10% contribution each, towards overall turnover. Foreign investors remained net sellers, with a net outflow of LKR 279.4Mn.

