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"Individual stocks power market surge"

The bourse experienced positive sentiment and increased activity, in contrast to yesterday's trading session. The ASPI closed at 17,120, showcasing a 0.44% increment due to a 75-point upsurge. A rise in participation was noted among both HNW and retail investors. BIL, RICH, HNB, CFIN and LOLC emerged as the top positive contributors to the index. The market experienced some volatility during the first half of the day, followed by increased positive sentiment due to individual counters from a mix of various sectors. The turnover stood at LKR 6.4Bn, marking a 14.4% decrease from the monthly average of LKR 7.4Bn. The Capital Goods sector was the most significant contributor to turnover with a 20% share, followed by the Banking, and Food, Beverage & Tobacco sectors jointly contributing 32%. Foreign investors remained net sellers, with a net outflow of LKR 300.1Mn.

