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"ASPI on a standstill as a consequence of lackluster performance"

The Colombo bourse experienced another volatile trading session, mirroring the trend of yesterday, with the ASPI maintaining a standstill. The index saw a modest decline of just 2 points, closing at 17,115. Furthermore, HNW and retail participation dipped relative to the previous trading session. BIL, RCL, MELS, LOLC and HAYL emerged as the top negative contributors to the index. Sentiment around specific stocks in the construction sector showed a notable uptick. The turnover stood at LKR 7.4Bn, marking a 0.7% increase from the monthly average of LKR 7.3Bn. The Capital Goods sector emerged as the most significant contributor to turnover, accounting for 53% of the total, driven by heightened foreign selling activity in JKH. The Banking, and Food, Beverage & Tobacco sectors collectively contributed 20% to the overall turnover. Foreign investors remained sellers, with a net outflow of LKR 2197.3Mn.

