

"Retail investors drive strong rally to start the week"

The Colombo Stock Exchange experienced a day of increased investor activity and positive sentiment with the ASPI maintaining steady upward strides and closing at 20,471. This depicts a 1.25% increase marked by 252 points. The index experienced steadfast gains and withheld its positive trajectory throughout the trading session. The top positive contributors for the day were COMB, CARS, MELS, JKH and DFCC. Today's rally was predominantly driven by retail investors, closely followed by significant participation from HNW investors, following the release of quarterly earnings that reflected solid gains. Turnover for the day amounted to LKR 7.7Bn, marking a 21% increase from the monthly average of around LKR 6.4Bn. The banking sector dominated turnover, contributing 28%, followed by the Diversified Financials and Capital Goods sectors with a combined contribution of 34%. Foreign investors remained net sellers with a net outflow of LKR 13.7Mn.

