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"Turnover dips to a more than one-

week low"Echoing the selling sentiment from the previous week, the CSE experienced continued profit-taking, with selling pressure concentrated in Banking and blue-chip counters weighing down the index. The ASPI opened the day under selling pressure, followed by a phase of bargain hunting. Despite this, the index failed to recover and ended the day in negative territory. Accordingly, the ASPI ended the session at 20,576, recording a loss of 74 points. Key negative contributors to the index included HNB, JKH, COMB, HAYL, and CARG. Investor participation remained relatively subdued, with limited activity from both retail and HNW investors. As a result, market turnover dropped to LKR 4.4Bn, marking over a oneweek low and reflecting a 31% decline compared to the monthly average of LKR 6.4Bn. The Banking sector led turnover contributions, accounting for 31% of the total, while the Capital Goods and Diversified Financials sectors together made up 35% of the overall turnover. Foreign investors remained net sellers with a net outflow of LKR 801.2Mn.

