

## October 2, 2025

## "Construction sector gauges investor interest"

Backed by the strong kick start for the month from previous day, Colombo Stock Exchange continued its positive momentum and ended up on the green territory. ASPI was up by 100 points and ended the day at 21,952, marking the 13th consecutive day of gains. Although the retail participation was moderate. HNW participation was high, with more positivity observed largely towards Banking sector and the blue-chip companies. Additionally, there was positive investor participation towards the Construction sector counters. This could have possibly been driven by the rise of PMI index to 61.1 in August, from 60.0 in July. MELS, AEL, UBC, RCL and NDB were the top positive contributors to the index. Turnover for the day stood at LKR 6.5Bn, reflecting a decrease of 8% compared to the monthly average that stands at around LKR 7.1Bn. Banking sector took the lead in terms of sector wise contributions to turnover, with a share of 24%, followed by the Capital Goods sector and Food, Beverage & Tobacco sector which produced a combined contribution of 36%. Foreign investors remained net buyers, recording a net inflow of LKR 46.4Mn.

