

Daily Bullion Physical Market Report

Date: 16th April 2024

Daily India Spot Market Rates

Description	Purity	AM	PM
Gold	999	72732	72813
Gold	995	72441	72521
Gold	916	66623	66697
Gold	750	54549	54610
Gold	585	42548	42596
Silver	999	83506	83452

Rate as exclusive of GST as of 15th April 2024 Gold is Rs/10 Gm & Silver in Rs/Kg

Gold and Silver 999 Watch

Date	GOLD*	SILVER*
15 th April 2024	72813	83452
12 th April 2024	73174	83819
10 th April 2024	71823	82343
09 th April 2024	71832	82100

The above rates are IBJA PM Rates; *Rates are exclusive of GST

COMEX Futures Watch

Description	Contract	Close	Change	%Chg
Gold(\$/oz)	JUN 24	2383.00	8.90	0.37
Silver(\$/oz)	MAY 24	28.72	0.39	1.37

ETF Holdings as on Previous Close

ETFs	In Tonnes	Net Change
SPDR Gold	826.72	-4.03
iShares Silver	13,496.72	0.00

Gold and Silver Fix

Description	LTP
Gold London AM Fix(\$/oz)	2347.15
Gold London PM Fix(\$/oz)	2344.20
Silver London Fix(\$/oz)	28.44

Bullion Futures DGCX

Description	Contract	LTP
Gold(\$/oz)	JUNE 24	2402.9
Gold Quanto	JUNE 24	72297
Silver(\$/oz)	MAY. 24	28.96

Gold Ratio

Description	LTP
Gold Silver Ratio	82.98
Gold Crude Ratio	27.90

Weekly CFTC Positions

	Long	Short	Net
Gold(\$/oz)	208634	29492	179142
Silver	61130	22634	38496

MCX Indices

Index	Close	Net Change	% Chg
MCX iCOMDEX Bullion	18275.26	133.87	0.73 %

Macro-Economic Indicators

Time	Country	Event	Forecast	Previous	Impact
16th April 06:00 PM	United States	Building Permits	1.51M	1.52M	Medium
16th April 06:00 PM	United States	Housing Starts	1.48M	1.52M	Low
16th April 06:30 PM	United States	FOMC Member Jefferson Speaks	-	-	Low
16th April 06:45 PM	United States	Industrial Production m/m	0.4%	0.1%	Medium
16th April 06:45 PM	United States	Capacity Utilization Rate	78.5%	78.3%	Low
16th April 10:00 PM	United States	FOMC Member Williams Speaks	-	-	Low
16th April 10:30 PM	United States	FOMC Member Barkin Speaks	-	-	Medium
16th April 10:45 PM	United States	Fed Chair Powell Speaks	-	-	High

Nirmal Bang Securities - Daily Bullion News and Summary

❖ Gold rose as demand for the haven asset grew amid fears of escalating tensions in the Middle East following Iran's unprecedented attack on Israel over the weekend. Bullion rose as much as 1.7% on Monday as the conflict in the Middle East entered a dangerous new phase, edging closer to last week's new record high. The Islamic Republic fired more than 300 drones and missiles against Israel, though most were intercepted and there were no fatalities reported. The precious metal broke through \$2,400 an ounce on Friday, but closed the session lower as technical indicators indicated its rally had run too hot and investors liquidated positions. The latest developments in the Middle East rekindled the flight to safety, with fears over a potential retaliation by Israel likely to support gold in the near term. Gold has surged by almost 20% since mid-February in a rally that's taken many investors by surprise. Swaps markets suggest that investors have lowered their expectations for the scope and pace of Federal Reserve cuts to interest rates this year. That would typically be a headwind for bullion, as it doesn't pay interest. Nevertheless, the metal has gained support from other factors including robust buying by central banks and increased demand from Chinese consumers. Rising geopolitical risks in the Middle East and Ukraine have boosted the metal's haven appeal.

❖ Exchange-traded funds added 61,540 troy ounces of gold to their holdings in the last trading session, bringing this year's net sales to 3.85 million ounces, according to data compiled by Bloomberg. The purchases were equivalent to \$144.3 million at the previous spot price. Total gold held by ETFs fell 4.5 percent this year to 81.7 million ounces. Gold advanced 14 percent this year to \$2,344.37 an ounce and fell by 1.2 percent in the latest session. State Street's SPDR Gold Shares, the biggest precious-metals ETF, pared its holdings by 129,590 ounces in the last session. The fund's total of 26.6 million ounces has a market value of \$62.3 billion. ETFs cut 4.21 million troy ounces of silver from their holdings in the last trading session, bringing this year's net purchases to 18.5 million ounces. This was the third straight day of declines.

❖ Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco President Mary Daly reiterated there's no urgency to adjust interest rates, pointing to solid economic growth, a strong labor market and still-elevated inflation. Daly said she needs to be confident inflation is heading toward the Fed's 2% target before reacting. The San Francisco Fed chief, who votes on monetary policy this year, repeated that policy is in a "good place." "The worst thing we can do right now is act urgently when urgency isn't necessary," Daly said Monday at an event at the Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research. "We're in the ready position; we can respond as the economy evolves," Daly said. "The labor market's not giving us any indication it's faltering, and inflation is still above our target, and we need to be confident it is on path to come down to our target before we would feel the need — and I would feel the need — to react." Policymakers have kept rates unchanged in a range of 5.25% to 5.5% since July and have said they'd like to see more evidence that inflation is cooling toward their 2% target before starting to lower borrowing costs. A report last week showed a key gauge of consumer prices rose more than forecast for a third straight month in March, increasing concern among some economists and policymakers that progress on inflation is stalling out. "We have to be thoughtful about not getting too confident that the latest sticky inflation is an indication where we're going forward, and we can't get too confident that our projection — that inflation will gradually continue to come down — is going to materialize," Daly said.

❖ Federal Reserve Bank of New York President John Williams said the central bank will likely start lowering interest rates this year if inflation continues to gradually come down. Williams said monetary policy is in a good place, and pointed to the enduring strength of consumers and the broader economy. "We will need to start a process at some point to bring interest rates back to more normal levels, and my own view is that process will likely start this year," Williams said Monday in an interview with Bloomberg Television's Michael McKee. A key inflation measure rose by more than economists expected for a third straight month in March, heightening fears that progress on cooling price pressures is stalling out. Williams said he didn't see recent inflation data as a "turning point" but added the figures will affect his opinion and forecasts. Expectations for monetary policy have been shifting toward a later start to Fed rate cuts. Traders are no longer fully pricing in a rate cut before November, while at the start of the year, cuts beginning in March were fully priced in. The New York Fed chief said officials are watching the unfolding situation in the Middle East "very carefully," though noted he didn't see it as a major driver of the US outlook. Fed officials narrowly penciled in three rate reductions in their projections released last month. Williams said last week that while the central bank has made tremendous progress toward better balance on its inflation and employment goals, there's no need to cut in the very near term. On the balance sheet, Williams said it's a prudent course of action for officials to start slowing the pace of its unwind, a process known as quantitative tightening, or QT, while acknowledging that the reduction is going as planned. Policymakers generally favored slowing the pace at which they're shrinking the central bank's asset portfolio by roughly half, minutes from the March 19-20 gathering showed.

Fundamental Outlook: Gold and silver prices are trading higher today on the international bourses. We expect gold and silver prices to trade range-bound to higher for the day, as gold prices advanced to near a record after Iran's unprecedented attack on Israel over the weekend drove demand for haven assets.

Key Market Levels for the Day

Time	Month	S3	S2	S1	R1	R2	R3
Gold – COMEX	June	2340	2365	2385	2400	2425	2445
Silver – COMEX	May	28.20	28.50	28.75	28.90	29.20	29.50
Gold – MCX	June	71900	72100	72350	72500	72850	73000
Silver – MCX	May	82200	83000	83800	84500	85200	85800

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Dollar Index

LTP/Close	Change	% Change
106.21	0.17	0.16

Bond Yield

10 YR Bonds	LTP	Change
United States	4.6014	0.0798
Europe	2.4390	0.0810
Japan	0.8640	0.0090
India	7.1780	-0.0020

Emerging Market Currency

Currency	LTP	Change
Brazil Real	5.1856	0.0674
South Korea Won	1384.05	8.6500
Russia Rubble	93.5066	0.2063
Chinese Yuan	7.2381	0.0008
Vietnam Dong	25176	145
Mexican Peso	16.7175	0.0734

NSE Currency Market Watch

Currency	LTP	Change
NDF	83.58	0.05
USDINR	83.47	-0.03
JPYINR	54.2825	-0.3375
GBPINR	104.3225	0.14
EURINR	89.0525	-0.0075
USDJPY	153.51	0.4
GBPUSD	1.25	0.0025
EURUSD	1.0668	0.001

Market Summary and News

❖ The cost of betting on further dollar gains in the options market rose to the highest since November as the US economy's resilience drives demand for the currency. The Bloomberg Dollar Spot Index climbed to a five-month high as Treasury yields jumped after stronger-than-expected retail-sales data prompted traders to pare bets on Federal Reserve interest-rate cuts this year. The greenback has already risen to a 34-year high versus the yen, and the strongest in five months versus the euro, pound and Australian and New Zealand dollars. The dollar-buying frenzy is even spurring speculation the currency will regain parity against the euro for the first time since November 2022. Leveraged funds are now holding their biggest bet in more than two years that the greenback will rally further. Still, investors wanting to profit from further dollar gains by buying call options — which increase in value if the greenback strengthens — are finding out that it comes at a steeper price. The premium to speculate on the dollar rising over the next three months compared with it falling has risen to the highest level since November. "Markets are now heeding the risk that the dollar could return to last year's highs and are hedging accordingly," said Simon Harvey, head of foreign-exchange analysis at Monex Europe Ltd. in London. "The three-month tenor in options is especially interesting in this context as we suspect rate differentials should notably diverge in favor of further dollar appreciation in the second quarter." Call options premiums may be capped if the dollar faces resistance to further gains. Slow stochastics, a momentum indicator, on Bloomberg's Dollar Spot Index have moved into oversold territory. That indicates further near-term dollar upside may be limited.

❖ The Indian rupee may test a record low on Tuesday as emerging Asian peers slump, taking cues from a weaker yuan fixing and a stronger US dollar. USD/INR little changed at 83.45 on Monday. Previous low was 83.50 on Nov. 10, according to local pricing compiled by Bloomberg. Note: Indian markets are shut on Wednesday for a local holiday. Implied opening from forwards suggest spot may start trading around 83.55. 10-year yields little changed at 7.18% on Monday. Global Funds Sell Net 32.7B Rupees of India Stocks April 15: NSE. They sold 150 million rupees of sovereign bonds under limits available to foreign investors, and withdrew 300 million rupees of corporate debt. State-run banks sold 1.42 billion rupees of sovereign bonds on April 15: CCIL data. Foreign banks sold 2.51 billion rupees of bonds. Two states are scheduled to sell 19b rupees of bonds on Tuesday: RBI statement. NOTE: RBI Converts INR89B Short Bonds to Long Debt, Less Than Planned.

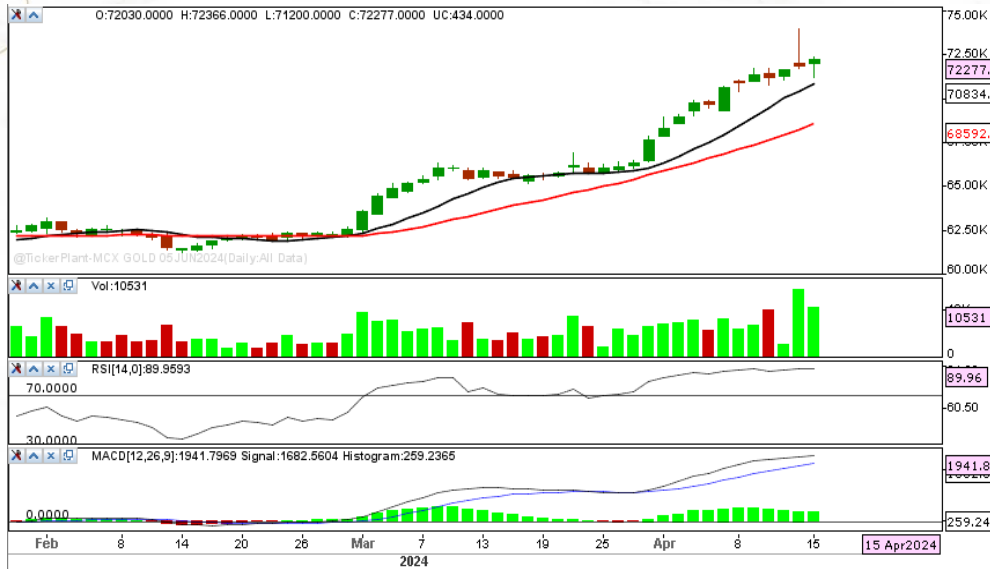
❖ The dollar rose to a five-month high amid higher Treasury yields after a strong retail sales report and haven-related demand on concerns Israel may retaliate against Iran. The Bloomberg Dollar Index is up 0.2%, rising for a fourth day. 10-year Treasury yield up 10 basis points to 4.62%; US retail sales rose 0.7% in March, more than forecast of 0.4% gain; the so-called control-group sales — which are used to calculate gross domestic product — jumped 1.1%, the most since the start of last year. Atlanta Fed GDPNow Index rises to 2.8% from 2.36%. New York Fed President John Williams said the central bank will likely start lowering interest rates this year if inflation continues to gradually come down. BlackRock expects around two Fed rate cuts this year. Gold rose while oil fell. BBDXY 1-mo. risk reversal rises to 0.48%, most greenback-bullish since October. USD/JPY rises as much as 0.8% to 154.45, the highest since June 1990. One-week risk reversal remains over 2% bid for yen calls amid intervention concerns. Option expiring later this week include \$4.9b of 153 strikes and \$1.3b of 155 strikes; Rise in yields and gamma linked to 153 options may have helped propel it higher; level provides support on retracements. EUR/USD is down 0.2% at 1.0626 with drop slowed by macro and cross-related euro buying; leveraged offers at 1.0670-80 and at 1.0700-20, a Europe-based trader says. DTCC expiry calendar shows about EUR4b of 1.07 and EUR3.7b of 1.08 strikes rolling off this week. EUR/CHF down amid interbank sales toward the London close; dropped as much as 0.4% to 0.9691. European Central Bank Chief Economist Philip Lane said the retreat in consumer-price growth is unlikely to be smooth. GBP/USD down 0.1% at 1.2446; Overnight volatility if 7.5% ahead of job numbers Tuesday with inflation figures due Wednesday; USD/CAD up 0.1% to 1.3793, reaches highest since November. Open interest in near-date futures was highest since September as of close of business Friday.

Key Market Levels for the Day

	S3	S2	S1	R1	R2	R3
USDINR Spot	83.2550	83.3525	83.4575	83.6025	83.7025	83.8050

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Gold Market Update



Market View	
Open	72030
High	72366
Low	71200
Close	72277
Value Change	434
% Change	0.6
Spread Near-Next	174
Volume (Lots)	10531
Open Interest	22291
Change in OI (%)	-2.04%

Gold - Outlook for the Day

BUY GOLD JUNE (MCX) AT 72200 SL 71900 TARGET 72500/72800

Silver Market Update



Market View	
Open	82799
High	84024
Low	82798
Close	83851
Value Change	1038
% Change	1.25
Spread Near-Next	1517
Volume (Lots)	21047
Open Interest	25787
Change in OI (%)	-0.71%

Silver - Outlook for the Day

BUY SILVER MAY (MCX) AT 83300 SL 82700 TARGET 84000/85000

Nirmal Bang Securities - Currency Technical Market Update

USDINR Market Update



Market View	
Open	83.48
High	83.48
Low	83.39
Close	83.47
Value Change	-0.03
% Change	-0.0359
Spread Near-Next	0.0875
Volume (Lots)	520585
Open Interest	2458120
Change in OI (%)	0.06%

USDINR - Outlook for the Day

The USDINR future witnessed a flat opening at 83.48, which was followed by a session where price shows minimal buying from lower level with candle closures near high. A inside bar candle formed by the USDINR price where price closed above 10-days moving averages placed at 83.42. On the daily chart, the MACD showed a positive crossover below the zero-line, while the momentum indicator, RSI trailing between 53-60 levels showed positive indication. We are anticipating that the price of USDINR futures will fluctuate today between 83.38 and 83.63.

Key Market Levels for the Day

	S3	S2	S1	R1	R2	R3
USDINR April	83.3025	83.3550	83.4275	83.5525	83.6050	83.6575

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