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Market Summary



Key Domestic Market Highlights

- Domestic equity markets rose during the month after the U.S. Federal Reserve kept interest rates on hold for the third consecutive time in its monetary policy review which led to hopes that the U.S. Federal Reserve was done with rate hikes. The U.S. Federal Chief didn't completely dismiss the possibility of another rate hike, but market participants were of the view that he wasn't as hawkish as they might have anticipated. However, market participants remained hopeful that any knee-jerk reaction to the comments made by the U.S. Federal Reserve will be temporary.
- Domestic equity continued to remain supported after Chinese officials assured to implement additional stimulus measures for the nation's struggling real estate sector. The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and its allies (OPEC+) unexpectedly delayed the policy meeting on output planned for Nov 26 which too aided market sentiment. The move raised questions about the future course of crude production cuts. Market participants were of the view that OPEC+ might not deepen output cuts next year.
- However, gains were capped following disappointing trade data from China for Oct 2023 that underscored an uneven economic recovery. Sentiments were also dampened after top exporters Saudi Arabia and Russia said they would stick to extra voluntary oil output cuts until the end of the year, keeping supply tight. Worries of a slowdown in global growth too kept markets under pressure.



Key Global Market Highlights

- U.S. equity markets rose after the U.S. Federal Reserve kept interest rates on hold in its monetary policy review which led to optimism among market participants that the recent cycle of interest rate hikes in U.S. is over. Softer than expected U.S. inflation data for Oct 2023 added to optimism about the outlook for interest rates. Improvements in market sentiment were also aided by a reduction in fears about violence in the Middle East following Israel and Hamas's agreement to a ceasefire mediated by Qatar.
- U.S. Treasury prices rose after the U.S. Federal Reserve kept interest rates on hold in its monetary policy review which led to optimism among market participants that the recent cycle of interest rate hikes in U.S. is over.
- European equity markets rose due to rising optimism about the outlook for interest rates. Market participants remained hopeful that global monetary policy tightening may soon come to an end after the U.S. Federal Reserve kept interest rates on hold in its monetary policy review. Gains were extended on slightly easing geopolitical tensions after Hamas and Israel reportedly agreed to a Qatar-mediated pause in fighting.
- Asian equity markets mostly rose following positive cues from U.S. equity markets. Gains were extended on expectations of stimulus measures from policymakers in China. Sentiments were further boosted after People's Bank of China infused liquidity through seven-day reverse repos to improve the growth prospects of China's economy.

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2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	CYTD
UST	10 Y GILT	LT	10 Y GILT	UST	10 Y GILT	LT	LT	LT	UST	UST
9.43%	15.28%	8.93%	14.24%	6.86%	8.00%	12.20%	13.46%	4.22%	5.29%	7.00%
LIQ	LT	UST	LT	LIQ	UST	10 Y GILT	10 Y GILT	ST	LIQ	LIQ
9.34%	14.04%	8.59%	13.09%	6.57%	7.96%	11.34%	13.20%	4.07%	5.23%	6.67%
ST	ST	ST	ST	ST	LIQ	ST	ST	UST	ST	ST
8 03%	10.47%	8 55%	9 28%	6 35%	7.25%	9 15%	10.13%		3 75%	6.43%

Category-wise Fixed Income Returns

LT	UST	LIQ	UST	LT	ST	UST	UST	LIQ	LT	10 Y GILT
5.11%	9.52%	8.30%	8.04%	5.55%	6.65%	7.84%	5.58%	3.56%	2.71%	6.19%
10 Y GILT	LIQ	10 Y GILT	LIQ	10 Y GILT	LT	LIQ	LIQ	10 Y GILT	10 Y GILT	LT
2.65%	9.23%	8.17%	7.45%	3.52%	6.04%	6.74%	4.43%	3.13%	2.34%	6.06%

LIQ Liquid Returns represented by ICRA Liquid Index

Short Term Returns represented by Nifty Short Duration Debt Index

Long Term Returns represented by ICRA Composite Bond Fund Index

Low Duration Returns represented by NIFTY Ultra Short Duration Debt Index

10 Y Gilt 10 Year G-sec Returns represented by ICRA Composite Gilt Index

Source: MFI Explorer

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Equity Market Round Up

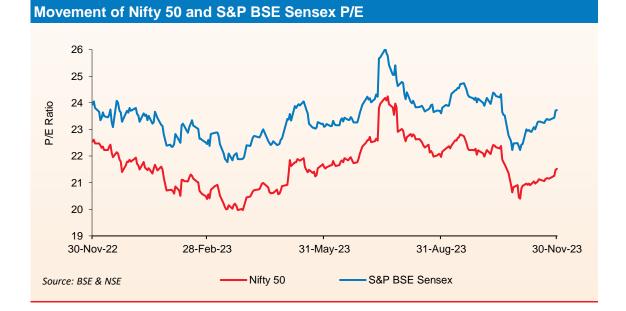
Equity Market Commentary

- Domestic equity markets rose during the month after the U.S. Federal Reserve kept interest rates on hold for the third consecutive time in its monetary policy review which led to hopes that the U.S. Federal Reserve was done with rate hikes. The U.S. Federal Chief didn't completely dismiss the possibility of another rate hike, but market participants were of the view that he wasn't as hawkish as they might have anticipated. However, market participants remained hopeful that any knee-jerk reaction to the comments made by the U.S. Federal Reserve will be temporary.
- On the BSE sectoral front, all the indices closed in the green. S&P BSE Realty rose the most by 18.43% followed by S&P BSE Oil & Gas that rose 12.71%. S&P BSE Realty rose on prospects of upbeat demand and hopes of a pause in the interest rate hiking cycle by the Reserve Bank of India. Also, some prominent domestic real estate companies reported upbeat earning numbers for the quarter ended Sep 2023 which added to the gains.
- U.S. equity markets rose after the U.S. Federal Reserve kept interest rates on hold in its monetary policy review which led to optimism among market participants that the recent cycle of interest rate hikes in U.S. is over. Gains were extended after data showed that the annual rate of consumer price growth in U.S. slowed in Oct 2023. Softer than expected U.S. inflation data for Oct 2023 added to optimism about the outlook for interest rates. Improvements in market sentiment were also aided by a reduction in fears about violence in the Middle East following Israel and Hamas's agreement to a ceasefire mediated by Qatar. However, profit booking capped the gains.
- European equity markets rose due to rising optimism about the outlook for interest rates. Market participants remained hopeful that global monetary policy tightening may soon come to an end after the U.S. Federal Reserve kept interest rates on hold in its monetary policy review. Also Bank of England kept interest rates on hold and indicated that monetary policy might remain restricted for an extended period. Gains were extended on slightly easing geopolitical tensions after Hamas and Israel reportedly agreed to a Qatar-mediated pause in fighting. However, concerns about global economic slowdown capped the gains.
- Asian equity markets mostly rose following positive cues from U.S. equity markets. Gains were extended on expectations of stimulus measures from policymakers in China. Sentiments were further boosted after People's Bank of China infused liquidity through seven-day reverse repos to improve the growth prospects of China's economy. Reports that that the Japanese Prime Minister had decided against calling an election before the end of the year also benefitted the Japanese equity markets. However, cconcerns over slowing domestic demand in China weighed on the market sentiment.

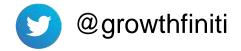
Broad Indices	30-Nov-23	% Change (MoM)	% Change (YoY)
S&P BSE Sensex	66,988.44	4.87	6.16
Nifty 50	20,133.15	5.52	7.33
S&P BSE 500	28,442.43	6.91	11.95
Nifty 500	17,987.95	7.06	12.80
S&P BSE Mid Cap	34,256.42	9.64	32.00
Nifty Mid Cap 100	42,908.90	10.37	33.93
Source: BSE & NSE			

% Change % Change **Sector Indices** 30-Nov-23 (MoM) (YoY) S&P BSE Auto 40,052.97 10.73 31.86 S&P BSE Bankex 50,292.51 3.81 1.91 S&P BSE CD 47,120.25 6.35 13.55 S&P BSE CG 49,989.66 9.18 47.70 S&P BSE FMCG 19,157.37 3.45 15.93 S&P BSE HC 30,374.52 11.38 26.85 S&P BSE IT 33,227.34 6.98 8.90 S&P BSE Metal 24,239.95 9.00 19.66 S&P BSE Oil & Gas 20,550.97 12.71 -0.29 S&P BSE Power Index 4,920.85 11.04 4.72 S&P BSE PSU 10.26 34.60 13,488.87 S&P BSE Realty 57.71 5,656.79 18.43 S&P BSE Teck 14,874.19 6.51 4.13

Source: BSE



Country/Region	30-Nov-23	% Change (MoM)	% Change (YoY)
Nasdaq 100 (U.S.)	15,947.87	10.67	32.57
FTSE 100 (U.K.)	7,453.75	1.80	-1.58
DAX (Germany)	16,215.43	9.49	12.63
Nikkei 225 (Japan)	33,486.89	8.52	19.73
SSEC (China)	3,029.67	0.36	-3.86



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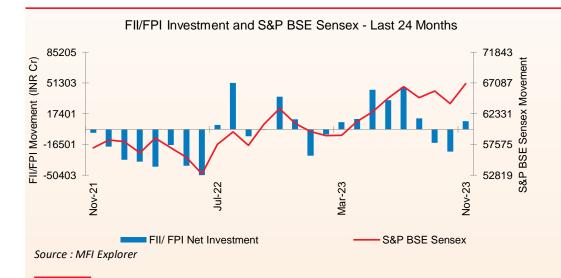
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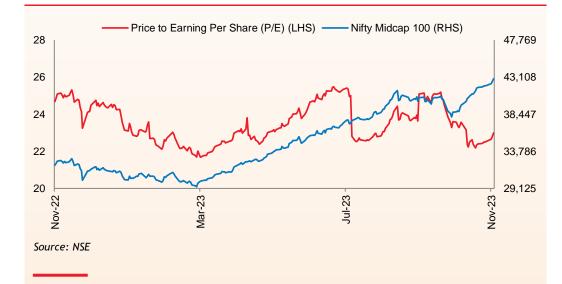
Equity Market Round Up



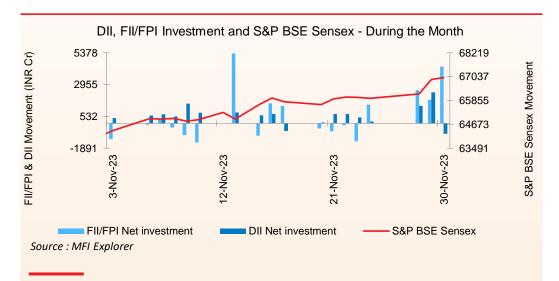
During the month, S&P BSE Sensex and Nifty 50 rose 4.87% and 5.52% respectively to close at 66,988.44 and 20,133.15 respectively.



Foreign portfolio investors (FPIs) were net buyer of domestic stocks worth Rs. 9000.78 crore in Nov 2023 compared with net sell of Rs. 24,547.66 crore in Oct 2023.



During the month, Nifty Midcap 100 and Nifty Small cap 100 rose 10.37% and 12.03% respectively to close at 42,908.9 and 14,171.35 respectively.



Domestic mutual funds remained net buyer in the equity segment to the tune of Rs. 17,654.260 crore in Nov 2023.

2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 CYTD IT IT **PSU Bank** Smallcap Media Metal Realty Realty Pharma Metal Realty 110.22% 57.97% 69.57% 10.30% 23.64% 28.49% 60.43% 70.92% 65.26% 45.20% 69.66% **PSU Bank** Smallcap Pharma Auto Smallcap FMCG Finance IT Smallcap Metal Smallcap 67.07% 10.20% 61.94% 39.77% 26.51% 10.75% 57.47% 13.57% 25.65% 54.75% 21.83% FMCG **FMCG** Midcap Pharma Midcap Midcap Smallcap IT Finance Largecap Auto

Returns of Major NSE Indices

12.18%	60.26%	9.26%	5.41%	54.53%	10.54%	10.42%	25.02%	59.58%	17.59%	39.17%
Auto	Finance	Midcap	Finance	Metal	Largecap	IT	Midcap	Realty	Auto	Midcap
9.41%	57.34%	8.41%	4.93%	48.71%	1.13%	8.39%	24.31%	54.26%	15.36%	34.31%
Largecap	Auto	FMCG	PSU Bank	Finance	Pharma	Midcap	Metal	Midcap	Finance	Pharma
6.46%	56.69%	0.33%	4.11%	41.56%	-7.77%	-0.28%	16.14%	46.81%	9.55%	28.90%
Media	Pharma	IT	Largecap	Media	Midcap	FMCG	Largecap	PSU Bank	Largecap	FMCG
1.50%	43.42%	-0.03%	3.60%	32.80%	-13.26%	-1.29%	14.82%	44.37%	3.64%	20.02%
Midcap	Largecap	Auto	FMCG	Auto	PSU Bank	Smallcap	FMCG	Media	Midcap	PSU Bank
-3.01%	33.17%	-0.32%	2.78%	31.47%	-16.47%	-8.27%	13.42%	34.56%	2.97%	16.73%
Finance	Media	Largecap	Smallcap	Largecap	Metal	Pharma	Auto	Largecap	Smallcap	Media
-7.32%	33.02%	-2.41%	0.36%	31.15%	-19.84%	-9.34%	11.43%	25.04%	-3.66%	15.29%
Smallcap	FMCG	Finance	Media	FMCG	Auto	Auto	Realty	Auto	Media	IT
-8.14%	18.22%	-5.41%	-0.85%	29.47%	-22.99%	-10.69%	5.11%	18.96%	-10.25%	13.84%
Metal	IT	Realty	Realty	PSU Bank	Media	Metal	Finance	Finance	Realty	Largecap
-14.26%	17.84%	-15.02%	-4.20%	24.17%	-25.80%	-11.20%	4.46%	13.96%	-10.84%	10.64%
PSU Bank	Realty	Metal	IT	IT	Smallcap	PSU Bank	Media	Pharma	Pharma	Finance
-30.44%	10.02%	-31.35%	-7.25%	12.21%	-26.68%	-18.25%	-8.55%	10.12%	-11.46%	5.66%
Realty	Metal	PSU Bank	Pharma	Pharma	Realty	Media	PSU Bank	FMCG	IT	Metal
-34.38%	7.02%	-32.91%	-14.18%	-6.32%	-32.87%	-29.72%	-30.50%	9.96%	-26.11%	4.37%

IT returns represented by NIFTY IT
Metal returns represented by NIFTY Metal
Realty returns represented by NIFTY Realty
Auto returns represented by NIFTY Auto
Pharma returns represented by NIFTY Pharma
Media returns represented by NIFTY Media

Finance returns represented by NIFTY Finance
FMCG returns represented by NIFTY FMCG
PSU Bank returns represented by NIFTY PSU Bank
Largecap returns represented by Nifty 100
Midcap returns represented by Nifty Midcap 150
Smallcap returns represented by Nifty Small cap 250



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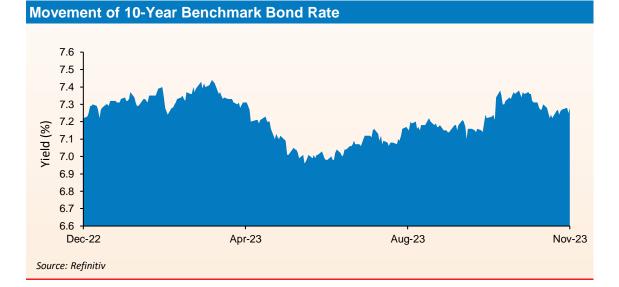
Fixed Income Market Round Up

Fixed Income Market Commentary

- Bond yields decreased in tandem with a decline in U.S. treasury yields as market participants became more pessimistic about potential rate hikes following the Federal Reserve's (Fed) post-monetary policy remarks. Gains were extended following decline in U.S. treasury yields on downbeat U.S. job growth data for Oct 2023. Lower than expected consumer inflation data for Oct 2023 in U.S. as well as in India extended the gains further. Fall in global crude oil prices boosted the overall fall in yields. However, gains were restricted after weaker than expected demand was witnessed at one of the weekly government bond auction.
- Yield on the 10-year benchmark paper (7.18% GS 2033) fell by 7 bps to close at 7.28%, compared with the previous month's close of 7.35%.
- Yield on gilt securities fell up to 11 bps across the maturities. Yield fell the most on 1 year paper and the least on 30 year papers. Yield on corporate bonds fell in the range of 3 to 11 bps across the curve barring 15 year paper that was steady. Difference in spread between corporate bond and gilt securities expanded in the range of 2 to 9 bps across the segments, barring 2, 3 & 5 year papers that contracted by up to 6 bps.

10 Year Corporate Bond Spread (for AAA & AA bonds)

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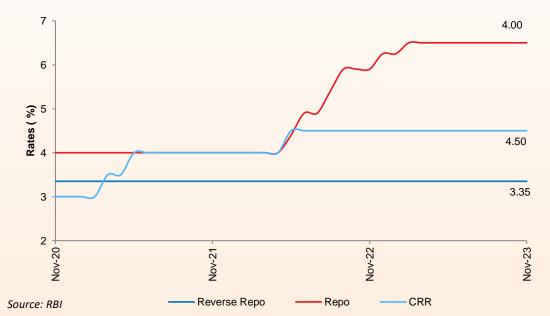


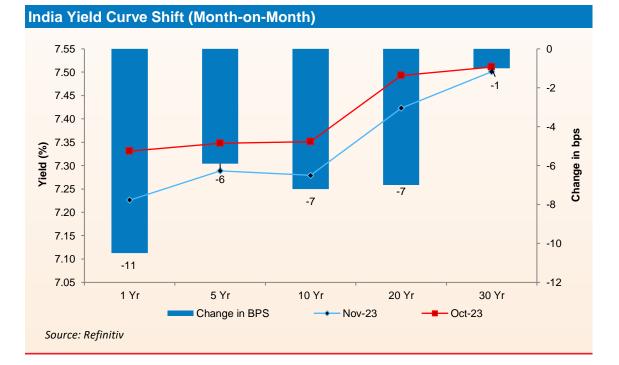
10 Year Corporate Bond Spread (for AAA & AA bonds) Spread Date Period AAA AA 1 Yr 64 93 30-Nov-23 3 Yr 49 87 5 Yr 27 82 1 Yr 61 90 76 31-Oct-23 3 Yr 52 28 67 5 Yr

Source: Refinitiv



Movements of Key Policy Rates in India







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Macro-Economic Update and Key Events

Key Events

India's consumer price inflation dropped to 4.87% in Oct 2023

The consumer price index-based inflation dropped to 4.87% in Oct 2023 compared to 5.02% in Sep 2023, driven by the effectiveness of various fiscal and monetary policies implemented to stabilize prices and sustain economic growth. The consumer food price index stood to 6.61% in Oct from 6.62% in Sep.

Industrial production in India (IIP) climbed to 5.8% YoY in Sep 2023

Industrial production in India (IIP) increased by 5.8% YoY in Sep 2023, as compared to 10.3% rise in Aug 2023. Production in the manufacturing industry increased by 4.5%, in mining by 11.5% and in electricity by 9.9%.

India's WPI remains in the negative territory at -0.52% in Oct 2023

India's wholesale price index (WPI) based inflation continued to remain in negative territory at -0.52% in Oct 2023 as compared to -0.26% in Sep 2023 and -0.46% in Aug 2023.

India's GDP prices witnessed a growth of 7.6% in Q2FY24

Government data showed that Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of the Indian economy at Constant (2011-12) prices witnessed a growth of 7.6% in the second quarter of FY24. In the Jul-Sep quarter last year, the GDP growth rate was 6.2%. On the sectoral front, the growth of the manufacturing sector soared to 13.9% in Q2 of FY24 from a negative 3.8% in same quarter of previous fiscal year. However, growth of Agriculture, Livestock, Forestry & Fishing slowed to 1.2% in Q2 of FY24 from 2.5% in Q2 of FY23.

Events for December 2023

Events	Date
India S&P Global Composite PMI (Nov)	5-Dec-23
Industrial Production YY - Oct 2023	12-Dec-23
Manufacturing Production YY - Oct 2023	12-Dec-23
CPI Inflation YY - Nov 2023	12-Dec-23

Commodity and Currency Round up

Commodity Market - Brent Crude

global economic slowdown weighed on the market sentiment.

Key Rates (%)	Current	Month Ago	Year Ago
Reverse Repo	3.35	3.35	3.35
Repo	6.50	6.50	5.90
CRR	4.50	4.50	4.50
SLR	18.00	18.00	18.00
Bank Rate	6.75	6.75	6.15
Source: RBI			

Key Indicator	Period	Current Month	Previous Month
CPI - Monthly	Oct-23	4.87%	5.02%
WPI - Monthly	Oct-23	-0.52%	-0.26%
IIP - Monthly	Sep-23	5.80%	10.30%
Export (Y-o-Y) - Monthly	Oct-23	6.23%	-2.60%
Import (Y-o-Y) - Monthly	Oct-23	12.29%	-15.04%
Trade Deficit - Monthly	Oct-23	31.46	19.37

Source: Refinitiv; CPI- Consumer Price Index, WPI- Wholesale Price Index IIP- Index of Industrial Production, Trade deficit- in \$Billion

Institutional Flows (Equity)			
Net Flow (INR Crore)	Current Month	Previous Month	Year to Date
FII Flows	9,001	(24,548)	104,973
DII Flows	14,158	28,254	171,358
MF Flows	18,024	19,912	147,630
Source: CDSL, NSE & SEBI			
Institutional Flaura (Daht)			
Institutional Flows (Debt)			
Net Flow (INR Crore)	Current Month	Previous Month	Year to Date
			Year to Date 50,361
Net Flow (INR Crore)	Month	Month	

Events	Date
CPI Food Inflation YY - Oct 2023	12-Dec-23
WPI Inflation YY - Nov 2023	14-Dec-23
Payroll Reporting in India - Oct 2023	22-Dec-23
Infrastructure Output YY - Nov 2023	29-Dec-23

- Brent crude oil prices fell as worries about supply interruptions brought on by the Israel-Hamas conflict subsided. Prices fell further as concerns about a
- Losses were extended as markets were skeptical of the latest round of production cuts announced by OPEC+. However, reports of a storm in the Black Sea disrupting oil supplies restricted further losses.

Currency Market

- Rupee fell against the U.S. dollar following increase in demand for greenback from domestic corporations and large foreign banks.
- The rupee fell further amid ongoing weakness in other Asian currencies. However, losses were restricted following rise in domestic equity market and domestic fund inflows.



Movement of Major Currencies (as on November 30,2023)							
Currency	30-Nov-23	Month Ago	Year Ago				
INR/USD	83.35	83.27	81.60				
INR/GBP	105.87	101.16	97.75				
INR/EUR	91.48	88.32	84.45				
INR/100 JPY	56.68	55.42	58.95				

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