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Money, Military and Markets-X - Trouble in Pakistan – Is CPEC over? satish.kumar@incredresearch.com

- Security issues in Balochistan & KPK threaten the viability of CPEC, making its investment a sunk cost and reducing the incentive for a conflict with India.
- Pakistan may escalate border tensions with India through infiltration to divert attention from its internal turmoil, increasing the risk of air skirmishes.
- To maintain escalation control, India needs air superiority over Pakistan, with the Su-57 emerging as a viable option due to integration challenges with F-35.

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US10YR (%)	4.3 IND10YR (%)	6.6
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	72.0 WTI (\$/bbl)	68.2
Gold (\$/oz)	3,023 Aluminum (\$/MT)	2,623

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- The slowdown in net inflow & sluggish capital market performance in the MF industry are priced in, and we see a higher upside compared to the downside.
- Players with a strong track record in scheme performance & distribution network to continue gaining market share, notwithstanding the sluggishness.
- Post correction, we retain ADD rating on NAM AMC (TP of Rs780) and ABSL AMC (TP of Rs800) but upgrade HDFC AMC's rating to ADD (TP of Rs 4,600).

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- On a yoy basis, domestic industry traffic grew 10.6%, IndiGo grew 17.2% whereas Tata group grew 4.8%.
- Tata's market share declined from 29.6% in Aug 24 to 25.9% in Jan 25, due to teething issues of integration of Vistara & AIX connect with AI. This resulted in market share gain for IndiGo & SpiceJet. However, in Feb 25, Tata's market share rose 133bps MoM & IndiGo's declined 136bps MoM.
- On a yoy basis, IndiGo's PLF rose 364bps while SpiceJet & Tata PLF dipped 250-320bps. However, on a MoM basis, PLF of Tata (up 281bp) and SpiceJet (up 414bps) rose ahead of IndiGo (up 193bps). Strong industry PLF (up 161bps yoy and up 233bps mom) was due to Kumbh mela.

Hero MotoCorp - Hero MotoCorp invests in E3&4W maker

- Hero Motocorp announces acquisition of 32.5% stake in E3&4W maker Euler Motors for Rs.5.25bn.
- Euler is holding around 10% market share in India E3W goods segment and expanded into E4W in CY24.
- Investment in E3W maker Euler will complete Hero Portfolio I 2&3W segment and mirror peers Bajaj and TVS Motor. However, Mcap to sales of 9.4xFY24 looks stretched and seems at 26% premium to last round funding in May 2024.

US LNG Projects Get Green Light: 31 mtpa Boost to Global Supply Amid Legal Battles

- Court ruling reinstates FERC permits for Rio Grande LNG and Texas LNG, paving the way for 31 mtpa of new US export capacity.
- Next Decade and Glenfarne Group celebrate victory as construction continues on Rio Grande LNG, with Texas LNG advancing towards FID.
- Environmental groups vow to fight on, arguing that FERC's procedural missteps warrant project re-evaluation or modification.

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Figure 1: Top Buys (All ADD Ratings)

Company	Bloomberg Ticker	Market Capital (Rs bn)	Price	Target Price	Up/down (%)	Analyst Name
Large Cap						
HDFC Bank	HDFCB IN	13,547	1,770	2,150	21%	Meghna LUTHRA
Tata Consultancy Services	TCS IN	12,946	3,578	3,925	10%	Abhishek SHINDADKAR
Bajaj Finance Ltd	BAF IN	5,527	8,916	9,750	9%	Jignesh SHIAL
Maruti Suzuki	MSIL IN	3,689	11,733	14,261	22%	Pramod AMTHE
UltraTech Cement Ltd	UTCEM IN	3,169	10,977	12,900	18%	Nishant BAGRECHA
Adani Ports & Special Economic Zone Ltd	ADSEZ IN	2,568	1,189	1,457	23%	Rajarshi MAITRA
Bajaj Auto	BJAUT IN	2,253	8,068	10,590	31%	Pramod AMTHE
Pidilite Industries Limited	PIDI IN	1,437	2,826	3,470	23%	Rohan KALLE
Shriram Finance Limited	SHFL IN	1,273	677	800		Meghna LUTHRA
Cipla Ltd	CIPLA IN	1,231	1,524	1,640	8%	Yogesh SONI
ABB India Ltd	ABB IN	1,156	5,458	7,627	40%	Arafat SAIYED
Mid-cap						
Lupin Ltd	LPC IN	965	2,115	2,329	10%	Yogesh SONI
Cummins India Ltd	KKC IN	814	2,938	3,909	33%	Arafat SAIYED
Marico Ltd	MRCO IN	817	631	750	19%	Rohan KALLE
Hero MotoCorp	HMCL IN	726	3,629	5,525	52%	Pramod AMTHE
Bharat Forge	BHFC IN	565	1,181	1,407	19%	Pramod AMTHE
Petronet LNG	PLNG IN	452	301	519	72%	Pratyush KAMAL
Container Corp of India Ltd	CCRI IN	420	690	1,133	64%	Rajarshi MAITRA
Small-cap						
Ajanta Pharma Ltd	AJP IN	339	2,714	3,220	19%	Yogesh SONI
Deepak Fertilisers & Petrochemicals Corp. Ltd.	DFPC IN	144	1,143	2,051	79%	Pratyush KAMAL
Birla Corporation Ltd	BCORP IN	80	1,043	1,455	40%	Nishant BAGRECHA
Ethos Limited	ETHOSLTD IN	63	2,585	3,400	32%	Rohan KALLE
Skipper Limited	SKIPPER IN	49	463	695	50%	Ishan VERMA
TCPL Packaging Ltd	TCPL IN	42	4,582	4,380	-4%	Nishant BAGRECHA
Cyient DLM Ltd	CYIENTDL IN	33	418	818	96%	Arafat SAIYED
Globus Spirits Ltd	GBSL IN	29	1,009	1,584	57%	Nitin AWASTHI
					SOURCES	S: INCRED RESEARCH, BLOOMBERG

Figure 2: Top Sells (All REDUCE Ratings)

Company	Bloomberg Ticker	Market Capital (Rs bn)	Price	Target Price	Up/down (%)	Analyst Name
Large Cap						
Tata Steel	TATA IN	1,963	157	82	-48%	Satish KUMAR
InterGlobe Aviation Ltd	INDIGO IN	1,646	5,044	3,030	-40%	Rajarshi MAITRA
Mid-cap						·
SBI Cards	SBICARD IN	816	858	550	-36%	Meghna LUTHRA
Clean Science and Technology	CLEAN IN	131	1,237	683	-45%	Satish KUMAR
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