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- 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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- Saudi Aramco in talks to invest in planned refineries of BPCL, ONGC
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- Jubilant steps up plans to get to 3,000 Domino's stores in India
- VIP promoter revives stake sale talks, hires new banker; Advent frontrunner

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 DXY
 104.3 USDvsINR
 85.8

 US10YR (%)
 4.3 IND10YR (%)
 6.6

 Brent Crude (\$/bbl)
 74.0 WTI (\$/bbl)
 70.0

 Gold (\$/oz)
 3,065 Aluminum (\$/MT)
 2,563

Flows (Rs m)

DII

51,117,113

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Agribusiness (Overweight - Maintained) - Shrimpopedia: Mar 2025 *nitin.awasthi* @*incredresearch.com*

- India is strengthening its grip on the US shrimp market, commanding ~44%+ market share.
- Shrinking shrimp inventory in the US and China is driving demand afresh—India is ideally positioned to capitalize on this and extend its lead.
- Reliable supply chain and efficient logistics provide a fillip for India to become the top shrimp exporter as global demand picks up momentum.

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Consumer Staples - Overall - Demand weakness is expected to persist in the near term

- Demand weakness is expected to persist, with price hikes continuing across segments to protect margins, which will keep volume growth in check for the industry. Rural markets are expected to continue to outpace urban markets.
- Downtrading is expected to continue owing to sharp price hikes. FMCG companies are expected to continue to push the premiumization lever to drive incremental growth. Margin pressure is expected to sustain in the near term.
- We prefer Marico (ADD; TP:Rs750) and GCPL (ADD; TP:Rs1,245) within HPC and Britannia (ADD; TP:Rs5,610) over Nestle within F&B. Ethos (ADD; TP:Rs3,400) & Titan (ADD; TP:Rs3,600) remain preferred picks within retail.

Coal India and GAIL's Joint Venture - A Costly Gamble on Synthetic Natural Gas

- Coal India and GAIL have partnered to launch a joint venture in West Bengal, targeting an annual production of 633.6 million Nm³ of synthetic natural gas from coal using surface coal gasification
- Globally, SNG production remains a small niche, with China leading at several billion Nm³ yearly (~20 bcm), while India's new plant contributes a modest 0.6 billion Nm³—barely a ripple in the 60 bcm natural gas demand
- The project faces daunting hurdles: production costs soar 2-3 times higher than conventional natural gas, CO2 emissions could triple, and its technology lags behind China's advanced systems, threatening its viability



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Company	Bloomberg Ticker	Market Capital (Rs bn)	Price	Target Price	Up/down (%)	
Large Cap						
HDFC Bank	HDFCB IN	13,967	1,825	2,150	18%	Meghna LUTHRA
Tata Consultancy Services	TCS IN	13,210	3,651	3,925	7%	Abhishek SHINDADKAR
Bajaj Finance Ltd	BAF IN	5,581	9,004	9,750	8%	Jignesh SHIAL
Maruti Suzuki	MSIL IN	3,685	11,722	14,261	22%	Pramod AMTHE
UltraTech Cement Ltd	UTCEM IN	3,418	11,600	12,900	11%	Nishant BAGRECHA
Adani Ports & Special Economic Zone Ltd	ADSEZ IN	2,585	1,197	1,457	22%	Rajarshi MAITRA
Bajaj Auto	BJAUT IN	2,227	7,974	10,590	33%	Pramod AMTHE
Pidilite Industries Limited	PIDI IN	1,458	2,867	3,470	21%	Rohan KALLE
Shriram Finance Limited	SHFL IN	1,276	679	800	18%	Meghna LUTHRA
Cipla Ltd	CIPLA IN	1,198	1,483	1,640	11%	Yogesh SONI
ABB India Ltd	ABB IN	1,174	5,540	7,627	38%	Arafat SAIYED
Mid-cap						
Lupin Ltd	LPC IN	922	2,019	2,329	15%	Yogesh SONI
Cummins India Ltd	KKC IN	833	3,004	3,909	30%	Arafat SAIYED
Marico Ltd	MRCO IN	841	649	750	16%	Rohan KALLE
Hero MotoCorp	HMCL IN	754	3,772	5,525	46%	Pramod AMTHE
Bharat Forge	BHFC IN	554	1,159	1,407		Pramod AMTHE
Petronet LNG	PLNG IN	441	294	519		Pratyush KAMAL
Container Corp of India Ltd	CCRI IN	427	700	1,133	62%	Rajarshi MAITRA
Small-cap						
Ajanta Pharma Ltd	AJP IN	328	2,630	3,220		Yogesh SONI
Deepak Fertilisers & Petrochemicals Corp. Ltd.	DFPC IN	144	1,141	2,051	80%	Pratyush KAMAL
Birla Corporation Ltd	BCORP IN	83	1,078	1,455	35%	Nishant BAGRECHA
Ethos Limited	ETHOSLTD IN	60	2,448	3,400	39%	Rohan KALLE
Skipper Limited	SKIPPER IN	47	449	695	55%	Ishan VERMA
TCPL Packaging Ltd	TCPL IN	41	4,486	4,380	-2%	Nishant BAGRECHA
Cyient DLM Ltd	CYIENTDL IN	35	446	818	83%	Arafat SAIYED
Globus Spirits Ltd	GBSL IN	31	1,068	1,584	48%	Nitin AWASTHI

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	1,940	155	82	-47%	Satish KUMAR
InterGlobe Aviation Ltd	INDIGO IN	1,646	5,128	3,030	-41%	Rajarshi MAITRA
Mid-cap						
SBI Cards	SBICARD IN	828	871	550	-37%	Meghna LUTHRA
Clean Science and Technology	CLEAN IN	127	1,195	683	-43%	Satish KUMAR
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