The Briefing

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KSE – 100 Index Close: 163,924.32 | Change: -2006.67 pts (-1.21%) | Previous Close: 165,930.99 | High: 166,180.32 | Low: 163,782.42

MARKET OVERVIEW

Index	Current	Change	% Change	Volume
KSE100	163,924.32	-2006.67	-1.21%	118,893,488
ALLSHR	99,526.88	-1083.61	-1.08%	364,303,331
KSE30	48,313.81	-750.07	-1.53%	50,963,997

COMMODITIES UPDATE

	Unit	Price	Change
WTI	USD/bbl	99.20	2.11%
Brent	USD/bbl	112.25	3.15%
Gold	USD/oz	4052.50	-2.35%
Coal	USD/t	130.05	-0.15%
Arab Light	USD/lb	104.05	1.31%
Steel Scrap	USD/t	349.50	0.00%
Steel Rebar	USD/t	545.00	0.00%

GLOBAL INDICES

Name	Value	Change	1Yr Change
SENSEX (IND)	72,472.33	1.23%	-12.16%
NIKKEI 225 (JPN)	69,030.92	-0.02%	43.55%
SSE 50 (CN)	2,820.32	0.46%	-5.19%
HANG SENG (HK)	24,239.32	0.83%	-10.08%
S&P 500 Index (US)	7,811.54	0.59%	19.21%
FTSE 100 (UK)	10,552.05	1.06%	11.93%

DAILY MARKET CAP CHANGE

Sector	Change
Leasing Companies	-4.06%
Textile Weaving	-3.50%
Refinery	-3.47%
Textile Spinning	-2.62%
Technology & Communication	-2.57%
Engineering	-2.34%
Power Generation & Distribution	-2.33%
Inv. Banks / Inv. Cos. / Securities Cos.	-2.28%
Vanaspati & Allied Industries	-2.19%
Property	-2.05%

LATEST FINANCIAL RESULTS

Symbol	Period	EPS	Payout
FECM	1QFY26	Rs.(0.23)	Nill
ITANZ	1QFY26	Rs.2.73	Rs.0.75 (D)
PTC	3QFY26	Rs.(0.13)	Nill
PTC	3QFY36	Rs.(0.13)	Nill
BAHL	3QFY26	Rs.7.61	Rs.3.50 (D)

UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

Symbol	Period Ended	Time	Scheduled Date
DYNO	30/09/2026	10:00	Oct 23, 2026
BIPL	30/09/2026	10:00	Oct 23, 2026
ALAC	30/09/2026	10:00	Oct 23, 2026
OLPL	30/09/2026	10:00	Oct 23, 2026
KAPCO	30/09/2026	10:00	Oct 23, 2026

STOCK MARKET

PSX Crashes After Sudden Panic

Negative

The Pakistan Stock Exchange (PSX) suffered a major sell-off on Thursday, with the benchmark KSE-100 Index falling 2,006 points, or 1.21 percent, to close at 163,924 as geopolitical uncertainty and rising international oil prices weighed on investor sentiment.

ECONOMY

Rupee in Trouble After World Bank Warning

Positive

The Pakistani rupee (PKR) closed in green against the US Dollar (USD) for the 267th consecutive day on Thursday. PKR closed at 276.85 after gaining one paisa against the US Dollar today. Today's session seems a little bit influenced by the World Bank's latest warning that Pakistan's inflation is projected to rise to 8.2 percent.

ECONOMY

Gold Crashes Below Dangerous Level

Negative

Gold prices in Pakistan fell on Thursday, with the price of 24-karat gold declining by Rs. 3,000 per tola to Rs. 431,536 in the local market. According to the All-Pakistan Gems and Jewellers Sarafa Association (APGJSA), the price of 10-gram gold also decreased by Rs. 2,572 to Rs. 369,972.

ECONOMY

Gulf Crisis Sends Oil Near $115

Negative

Brent crude oil prices climbed above $110 per barrel as escalating Middle East tensions and attacks on oil tankers heightened concerns about global energy supplies. At the time of press, Brent was trading at around $111.80 per barrel, up approximately 2.78 percent, while US West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude rose to $99.41, gaining 2.33 percent.

ECONOMY

SBP Reserves Under $22 Billion

Negative

Pakistan's foreign exchange reserves witnessed a decrease during the week ended October 16, 2026. According to the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP), its foreign exchange reserves rose by $19.1 million over the week to $21.49 billion, up from $21.47 billion a week earlier.

ECONOMY

Gulf War Fatal for Pakistan's Debt

Negative

The US-Israel war on Iran could make it harder for Pakistan to refinance its existing debt, as regional tensions threaten to increase the country's external financing pressures, according to a World Bank report. Pakistan relies on foreign loans and rollovers to manage its external debt obligations.

ECONOMY

Pakistan's Inflation to Rise Further Next Year

Negative

Pakistan's economy grew by 3.7 percent in fiscal year 2025-26, while average inflation rose to 7.1 percent from 4.5 percent a year earlier, according to a World Bank report. The figures highlight continued economic growth alongside renewed price pressures driven by higher energy and food costs.

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