

Daily Bullion Physical Market Report

Date: 08th January 2025

Daily India Spot Market Rates

Description	Purity	AM	PM
Gold	999	77196	77126
Gold	995	76887	76817
Gold	916	70712	70647
Gold	750	57897	57845
Gold	585	45160	45119
Silver	999	89288	89474

Rate as exclusive of GST as of 07th January 2025 Gold is Rs/10 Gm & Silver in Rs/Kg

Gold and Silver 999 Watch

Date	GOLD*	SILVER*
07 th January 2025	77126	89474
06 th January 2025	77161	89152
03 rd January 2025	77504	88121
02 nd January 2025	77079	87167

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

COMEX Futures Watch

Description	Contract	Close	Change	%Chg
Gold(\$/oz)	FEB 25	2665.40	18.00	0.68
Silver(\$/oz)	MAR 25	30.69	0.10	0.34

ETF Holdings as on Previous Close

ETFs	In Tonnes	Net Change
SPDR Gold	871.08	0.00
iShares Silver	14,287.49	-87.83

Gold and Silver Fix

Description	LTP
Gold London AM Fix(\$/oz)	2644.40
Gold London PM Fix(\$/oz)	2650.85
Silver London Fix(\$/oz)	30.24

Bullion Futures DGCX

Description	Contract	LTP
Gold(\$/oz)	DEC 24	2663.8
Gold Quanto	DEC 24	77551
Silver(\$/oz)	DEC 24	30.50

Gold Ratio

Description	LTP
Gold Silver Ratio	86.86
Gold Crude Ratio	35.90

Weekly CFTC Positions

	Long	Short	Net
Gold(\$/oz)	195936	13552	182384
Silver	37739	20915	16824

MCX Indices

Index	Close	Net Change	% Chg
MCX iCOMDEX Bullion	18882.10	-24.50	-0.13%

Macro-Economic Indicators

Time	Country	Event	Forecast	Previous	Impact
08 th January 06:45 PM	United States	ADP Non-Farm Employment Change	139K	146K	High
08 th January 07:00 PM	United States	Unemployment Claims	214K	211K	High
07 th January 08:30 PM	United States	FOMC Member Waller Speaks	-	-	Medium
07 th January 08:30 PM	United States	Final Wholesale Inventories m/m	-0.2%	-0.2%	Low
08 th January 12:30 AM	United States	FOMC Meeting Minutes	-	-	High

Nirmal Bang Securities - Daily Bullion News and Summary

❖ Gold pared gains on Tuesday as the dollar pushed higher after latest US economic data helped reinforce a cautious approach by American policymakers to monetary easing this year. Growth at US service providers quickened in December, and that helped push a price measure to the highest since early 2023. Separate data showed US job openings rose to a six-month high in November, boosted by a jump in business services while other industries showed more mixed demand for workers. They lay the ground for Federal Reserve officials, who have reaffirmed the view that the US central bank will take a more cautious approach to cutting rates this year as they want to see more progress on easing price pressures. Bullion got a boost earlier Tuesday on dollar weakness and an announcement of gold purchases by China's central bank in December. The People's Bank of China played a crucial role in driving gold's stellar run last year. And a soft greenback makes the precious metal more appealing for investors holding other currencies as it's priced in the US currency. China's central bank released figures earlier Tuesday showing it expanded its gold reserves for a second month in December, signaling renewed appetite after temporarily pausing purchases last year as prices soared. Its gold reserves stood at 73.29 million troy ounces in December, rising by more than 300,000 troy ounces from November. The US jobs report, due Friday, is expected to show a moderating yet still healthy labor market. The data are unlikely to alter the view that the Fed will take a more cautious approach to cutting rates this year amid renewed concerns about inflation.

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❖ Exchange-traded funds cut 47,348 troy ounces of gold from their holdings in the last trading session, bringing this year's net sales to 54,167 ounces, according to data compiled by Bloomberg. The sales were equivalent to \$124.8 million at yesterday's spot price. Total gold held by ETFs fell 0.1 percent this year to 82.8 million ounces. Gold advanced 0.5 percent this year to \$2,636.47 an ounce and fell by 0.1 percent in the latest session. State Street's SPDR Gold Shares, the biggest precious-metals ETF, maintained its holdings in the last session. The fund's total of 28 million ounces has a market value of \$73.8 billion. ETFs also cut 1.83 million troy ounces of silver from their holdings in the last trading session, bringing this year's net sales to 215,567 ounces.

❖ Gold bulls just received a vote of confidence as the PBOC said it added to holdings. The accumulation suggests that one of the market's main drivers last year — official-sector buying — remains intact. China's central bank is one of the world's most important, and one whose actions may act as a template for smaller institutions. It picked up more than 300,000 ounces in December. That addition followed Donald Trump's election win, with policy makers perhaps mindful of the myriad challenges ahead, in terms of trade relations, geopolitics, and foreign-currency moves. For the PBOC, bullion retains its relevance. Indeed, gold got re-rated last year in a big way. Over 2024, it ended +27% to the good, setting successive records along the way (and leaving global stocks +16% in the dust). While this year's overall environment may prove to be trickier for the commodity given that the Federal Reserve may deliver interest-rate cuts at a slower pace, a gold-hungry PBOC represents a useful price-positive factor.

❖ Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta President Raphael Bostic said officials should be cautious with policy decisions given uneven progress on lowering inflation and err on the side of keeping interest rates elevated to achieve their price stability goals. Bostic, speaking in a podcast recorded on Dec. 9 and released Tuesday, also said his outlook is for inflation to continue to gradually decline this year to the Fed's 2% target. He said he expects price pressures to ebb despite moments where it may look like progress is stalling or inflation is moving more aggressively. "Given that kind of bumpiness in the measures, I think that will call for our policy approach to be more cautious," Bostic said in the conversation recorded by the Atlanta Fed ahead of the central bank's Dec. 17-18 policy meeting. Fed officials lowered interest rates for the third straight time last month, bringing their benchmark rate down by a full percentage point since September. Bostic voted in favor of that decision. Median projections released at the December meeting showed policymakers see just two quarter-point rate cuts for this year. "I want to make sure we get the right signal, and make sure that our policy is calibrated to that right signal. And if we've got to err, I would err on the upside," Bostic said in the podcast. "I would want to make sure — for sure — that inflation gets to 2%, which means we may have to keep our policy rate higher longer than people might expect." Fed Chair Jerome Powell has said officials will be looking for further progress on inflation when deciding on future rate adjustments. Other officials, including Fed Governor Lisa Cook, have said policymakers can move more cautiously with interest rate cuts, pointing to a sturdy labor market and sticky inflation.

Fundamental Outlook: Gold and silver prices are trading slightly lower today on the international bourses. We expect precious metals prices on Indian bourses to trade range-bound to slightly higher for the day, as gold prices held an advance, as traders balanced dwindling prospects for aggressive US rate cuts in 2025 against growing haven demand amid fears Donald Trump's return to the White House could trigger a global trade war.

Key Market Levels for the Day

Bullion	Month	S3	S2	S1	R1	R2	R3
Gold – COMEX	February	2600	2620	2650	2670	2700	2720
Silver – COMEX	March	29.50	29.70	30.00	30.20	30.50	30.85
Gold – MCX	February	76950	77200	77350	77500	77700	78000
Silver – MCX	March	88000	89500	90200	90800	91600	92200

Nirmal Bang Securities - Daily Currency Market Update

Dollar Index

LTP/Close	Change	% Change
108.54	0.29	0.26

Bond Yield

10 YR Bonds	LTP	Change
United States	4.6850	0.0550
Europe	2.4460	0.0230
Japan	1.1350	-0.0010
India	6.7480	0.0000

Emerging Market Currency

Currency	LTP	Change
Brazil Real	6.1021	-0.0137
South Korea Won	1451.75	-8.8000
Russia Rubble	107.4166	-0.0834
Chinese Yuan	7.328	-0.0001
Vietnam Dong	25374	-14.0000
Mexican Peso	20.3279	0.0100

NSE Currency Market Watch

Currency	LTP	Change
NDF	86.06	0.0100
USDINR	85.91	-0.0225
JPYINR	54.54	-0.1400
GBPINR	107.735	0.3875
EURINR	89.5075	0.2325
USDJPY	157.41	0.4900
GBPUSD	1.2538	0.0037
EURUSD	1.042	0.0029

Market Summary and News

- ❖ Indian bond traders will keep a watch on the 280 billion rupee (\$3.3 billion) treasury-bill sale on Wednesday to gauge demand for the notes. The rupee may open lower along with most emerging-Asian peers. USD/INR fell 0.1% to 85.7225 on Tuesday. Implied opening from forwards suggest spot may start trading around 85.81. "Recent INR price action points to a higher tolerance for a weaker exchange rate, demonstrated in the -2.1% fall in the INR vs. USD in 4Q24, compared to nearly flat 1Q-3Q," Radhika Rao, senior economist at DBS Bank writes in a note. "The rupee's adjustment phase is likely to persist in light of a challenging outlook for flows, even as bond interests stand to benefit from inclusion into two more global fixed income benchmarks this year." 10-year yields little changed at 6.75% on Tuesday. India's government lowered its economic growth projection for the fiscal year to the weakest since the pandemic. Gross domestic product is estimated to expand 6.4% in the year through March, the Statistics Ministry said Tuesday, down from 8.2% in the past financial year. The projection is in line with the median forecast in a Bloomberg survey of economists. Global Funds Sell Net 14.9B Rupees of Indian Stocks Jan. 7: NSE. They sold 20 million rupees of sovereign bonds under limits available to foreign investors, and withdrew 370 million rupees of corporate debt. State-run banks sold 42.2 billion rupees of sovereign bonds on Jan. 7: CCIL data. Foreign banks bought 90 billion rupees of bonds.
- ❖ A dollar gauge climbed as traders are now fully pricing in the first interest-rate cut for the year by the Federal Reserve in July, instead of June, after US data pointed to solid economic expansion. The Bloomberg Dollar Spot Index rose as much 0.2%, it traded weaker before the data. Gains were trimmed to 0.1% in afternoon trading in New York. US job openings rose to a six-month high while growth at US service providers quickened. "It's hard to argue with rates staying higher for longer," said Win Thin, global head of markets strategy at Brown Brothers Harriman. "Next Fed cut has been pushed out to July vs. June pre-data." "A lot of positives are already in the price of the USD and we still have the NFP on Friday," said Valentin Marinov, head of G-10 FX strategy at Credit Agricole. "This much could mean that the USD could struggle to break to completely reverse the recent losses." EUR/USD fell 0.4% to 1.0350. Inflation expectations of consumers in the euro area increased in November, the European Central Bank said. Euro-area inflation accelerated last month, supporting the ECB's gradual approach to reducing interest rates, without derailing them altogether. USD/CAD climbed 0.1% to 1.4349. USD/JPY rose 0.1% at 157.81. "Yen selling is likely due to the lack of expectations for a rate hike at the BOJ's January meeting," said Takeru Yamamoto, a trader at Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank in New York. Barclays sees the BOJ hiking rates in March and October this year, compared with its previous forecast of January and July, due to uncertainty surrounding domestic and overseas politics. GBP/USD fell 0.3% to 1.2483; UK house prices slipped back for the first time in nine months even as the property market enjoyed its best year since the pandemic. USD/CHF advanced 0.5% to 0.9087.
- ❖ The Chilean peso and South Korean won led gains while the South African rand dropped in a mixed session for emerging currencies. The MSCI index of EM currencies gained 0.3% after rising as much as 0.4% as strong US labor market data reinforced market speculation that the Federal Reserve will leave interest rates unchanged for its next meeting. The dollar regained strength over the day. Chile's peso gained 0.7% as the best performer in emerging markets. The South African rand and Polish zloty were among the biggest losers. In the credit markets, Chile, Hungary and Slovenia sold bonds, with Chile marketing both euro- and dollar-denominated debt. Chile sold €1.7 billion of 7-year social notes and \$1.6 billion of 12-year bonds in international debt markets. El Salvador's credit score was lifted by Fitch Ratings to B-, six notches into junk and on par with Angola and Nigeria. The outlook is stable. The MSCI index of EM equities rose for a third session, boosted by Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing.

Key Market Levels for the Day

	S3	S2	S1	R1	R2	R3
USDINR SPOT	85.5775	85.6125	85.6625	85.7475	85.7825	85.8275

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Gold Market Update



Market View	
Open	77229
High	77840
Low	77112
Close	77531
Value Change	373
% Change	0.48
Spread Near-Next	980
Volume (Lots)	7475
Open Interest	11608
Change in OI (%)	-1.71%

Gold - Outlook for the Day

BUY GOLD FEB AT 77400 SL BELOW 77100 TARGET 77700/77900

Silver Market Update



Market View	
Open	90436
High	91650
Low	90400
Close	90873
Value Change	319
% Change	0.35
Spread Near-Next	1785
Volume (Lots)	12986
Open Interest	26581
Change in OI (%)	-5.33%

Silver - Outlook for the Day

BUY SILVER MARCH AT 90500 SL BELOW 89700 TARGET 91500/92000

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USDINR Market Update



Market View	
Open	85.8450
High	85.9500
Low	85.8225
Close	85.9100
Value Change	-0.0225
% Change	-0.0262
Spread Near-Next	-0.3186
Volume (Lots)	195787
Open Interest	2962634
Change in OI (%)	-2.19%

USDINR - Outlook for the Day

The USDINR future witnessed a gap-down opening at 86.04, which was followed by a session where price showed buying from lower level with candle enclosure near green. A small green candle has been formed by the USDINR price while, price having major support of 10-days moving average placed at 85.75 levels. On the daily chart, the MACD showed a positive crossover above zero-line, while the momentum indicator RSI trailing at 76-82 levels shows slightly positive indications. We are anticipating that the price of USDINR futures will fluctuate today between 84.83 and 86.

Key Market Levels for the Day

	S3	S2	S1	R1	R2	R3
USDINR JAN	85.7875	85.8250	85.8625	85.9350	85.9775	86.0250

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