



The Market Today;

Stretching further in a sideways trend, equities trading on the floor of the Nigerian Stock Exchange ended in the negative territory, as the lead performance pointer, NSEASI gave up **3Bpts** from its trading points, and closed at 39,449.82 from 39,460.68. Safe NSE-Industrial Goods Index that ended on a flat note; all observed market indices in this report ended in the negative path. Thus, WtD, the lead index is **3Bpts** below opening, while the total gained points in the month of August is now **234Bpts**. See the index movement table for details.

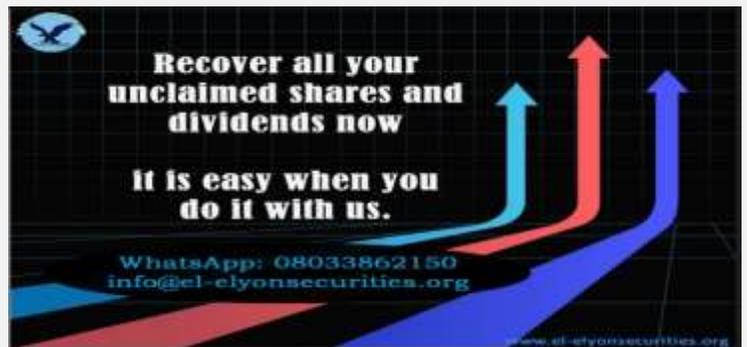
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Index Movement

The total value loss by the Market Capitalization of the listed equities during today's trading activities was **N5.661 billion**, same as **3Bpts** below the opening value. Meanwhile, trading activities for the day produced **17 ADVANCERS** and **19 LAGERS**. NGXASI Year to Date loss is now **204Bpts** while the Market Capitalization Year to Date loss stood at **N502.830 billion** same as **239Bpts** below the year's opening value.

Index Movement: 25TH August, 2021		
Index Class	Closing Points	Daily %Change
NGX ASI	39,449.82	0.03
NSE 30	1,629.56	0.10
NSEPREMIUM	3,845.81	0.05
NSE PENSION	1,512.36	0.12
NSE CONSUMER GDS	557.99	0.13
NSE BANKING	377.56	0.12
NSE INSURANCE	186.96	0.53
NSE OIL/GAS	372.32	0.10
NSE LOTUS II	2,790.25	0.06
NSE INDUSTRIALGDS	1,976.78	0.00
Market Cap	20,553,929,190,748.40	5,661,760,913.20



Top 5 Gainers (%)

Leading on the advancers' log are CAPHOTELS and Eterna Oil with 10.00% gain above their respective previous close prices. Each closed at N3.19 and N6.82 from N2.90 and N6.20 respectively. Morison followed with 9.74% to close at N1.69 from N1.54. Transcorp Hotels and UPDC completed the top 5 price percentage gainers log with 9.30% and 9.22% respectively.

Fundamental View

Sentiments around the market remained down, as more traders sat on the fence, expecting major news on listed equities, and the release of the Half year GDP figures, which is expected to be released on the 26th August. The fact that the half year earnings season has really wound up, (save the few banking stocks expected to pay interim dividend), is another factor causing low activities in the stock market.

Please understand that, among the upcoming market events within the month is the adjustment of few listed equities that recently declared dividends (interim/final). In our opinion, the market is still very much in an uptrend, at least leading from July 2021, though it is 2.04% below the opening for the year. We foresee the lead index, overcoming the on-going efforts against the bear, and predict its continuation through the positive path. Nevertheless, we signaled cautious play around the market arena.

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Top Performers' Log: 25th August, 2021				
Top 5 Gainers (%)				
Company	Pclose	Close	Change	%Change
CAPHOTEL [BLS]	2.90	3.19	0.29	10.00
ETERNA	6.20	6.82	0.62	10.00
MORISON	1.54	1.69	0.15	9.74
TRANSCOHOT [BLS]	4.30	4.70	0.40	9.30
UPDC [BLS]	1.41	1.54	0.13	9.22
Top 5 Losers (%)				
Company	Pclose	Close	Change	%Change
ACADEMY	0.41	0.37	-0.04	-9.76
PHARMDEKO	1.89	1.71	-0.18	-9.52
MBENEFIT	0.35	0.32	-0.03	-8.57
ABCTRANS	0.39	0.36	-0.03	-7.69
UNITYBNK	0.60	0.56	-0.04	-6.67

Top 5 Losers (%)

On the flip side Academy Press led with 9.76% price depreciation as it rounded up trade at N0.37 from N0.41. Pharma Deko followed with 9.52% loss, thus it closed at N1.71 from N1.89 Mbenefits, ABCTransport and Unity Bank completed the top 5 price percentage losers' log with 8.57%, 7.69% and 6.67% respectively.

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Top 5 Trades

Investors did a total of 252 deals on the shares of Zenith Bank, while a total of 236 transactions were made on GTCO shares through today's trading session. HoneyWell Flour was next on the top 5 list with 147 transactions, while UBA and UCAP completed the top five (5) trades for the day, as shown in the below table.

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Technical View

A careful look through scan through the trading pattern of the lead index NGXASI, it was discovered that the market had maintain several failed struggle to scale through a major resistance, which was first identified in March, 2021. The point was cracked in May, but failed after very short moves, similarly, it was cracked on the 12th of August, and had since been struggling around the point. Nevertheless, it should be noted that the ruling market trend from the beginning of July is still an uptrend

On the strength of the above stated facts, we recommend that traders should maintain cautiousness around the market arena, and watch against any panic investment decision.

Money Flow Index (MFI) is currently diving north, confirming that funds might be entering the market. As at the end of today's trade, it rounded up at MFI-63.22 point.

Also, MACD is trending at very close gaps,

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Top Performers's Log-Trade,Volume&Value- 25th August, 2021			
Top 5 Trades		Top 5 Performance By Volume	
Company	Trades	Company	Volume
ZENITHBANK	252	SOVRENINS	48,383,580
GTCO	236	MBENEFIT	27,092,153
HONYFLOUR	147	JAIZBANK	10,904,945
UBA	142	REGALINS	9,007,913
UCAP	118	TRANSCORP	6,944,212
		Top 5 Performance By Value	
		Company	Value
		MTNN	155,237,604
		NESTLE	149,728,093
		ZENITHBANK	141,696,851
		GTCO	130,454,515
		DANGCEM	55,767,652

Top 5 Performance by Volume

Traders traded 48.38 million units of Sovereign Insurance through the day's trade. Mutual Benefits followed on the most traded by volume with 27.09 million shares. JaizBank, Regency Alliance and Transcorp completed the top 5 most traded shares for the day.



Top Performance by Value

The Value of the shares traded on MTNN (N155.23 million) was the highest for the day, followed by Nestle Foods where investors exchange N149.72 million worth of shares. Zenith Bank, GTCO and Dangote Cement completed the list as shown in the above table.

strongly and had just crossed through its signal line to the down side. RSI Cross Over is already initiated a Sell position, as RSI-5 had crossed RSI-15 down from the upside position. Safe Trade.

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