Market Outlook

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Markets showed divergent trend on the last day. Banks, Metals Capital goods continued on their upswing but Realty and consumer durables lost ground, Auto and oil & gas gave up initial gains to close flat or slightly in the negative. Among the banks, the private banks surged but the public sector displayed weakness. Profit taking took some sheen off from the midcaps and small cap which closed the day with losses. It was a wide range trading day i.e. the range of the last day encompassed the range of the previous trading day. Nifty Future opened subdued and moved within a narrow band in the first half of the session, unable to cross the previous day's high which was also the intraday high, but after noon it surged past that level to post a high of 3148, slipped in a sharp downswing to 3057 rebounded, from there to close the day with a loss of 9.05 points in a volatile session. BSE Sensex, the other key index, closed in the positive exhibiting divergence. As per the provisional data FII were buyers and DII were sellers on the bourses. US markets closed in the positive at the highest levels in last two months despite mote negative data on hopes of economic rebound. Rally continued in the European markets and FTSE closed with gains for the 6th consecutive day. Asian has opened on an optimistic note this morning. Technically there was sharp intraday correction in nifty futures as it dipped from 3148 to test the 50 ema posited at 3052 and rebounded from that region to close above 3120 in a choppy session. The 3050 region now assumes more importance as a support and a decisive breach of this level will signal weakness. On the higher side, above 3150 it is likely to gain fresh momentum and continue its upward journey to the 3200-3225 region with some resistance at 3170. The very short term trend is now flat and will gain strength above 3150 and it has stood the test of the 3050 support on sharp decline last day. 3090 remains the immediate support now and weakness will be signaled if the 3050 region is breached decisively. Tomorrow being a holiday, some profit booking may take place at higher levels as risk averse traders may lighten positions. Markets are likely to open on a firm note on positive global cues and then chart their own course as the day progresses. Volatility may remain high so make the best of it.

Resistance: 3120, 3150, 3170, 3200, 3225, 3256, 3295-3300 **Support:** -3090-3100, 3050, 3000, 2980, 2940, 2928, 2900, 2885

JP Associates (101.2): This counter has given a bullish breakout above 98 and found support on dips in the 91 region which has a trendline support also. Long position may be taken on dips with a stop below a decisive breach of 92 for an initial target of 110-112 with some resistance at 106 and an optimistic target of 120.

Resistance: 105, 110-112, 120, 125 **Support:** 100, 98, 96, 92, 90

Siemens (312.35): This counter has exhibited strength on the last day and found buying support in the 300 region on declines. Long position may be taken on dips with a stop below a decisive breach of 299 for an initial target of 324 and above that 335-340. It may gain fresh momentum above 340.

Resistance: 318, 324, 335-340, 352 **Support:** 307, 300, 295, 290

Note: All prices relate to NSE spot prices unless otherwise stated. Stop loss is a risk control mechanism and should always be there since it is a level which breached signals that the call has gone wrong and steps must be taken to put a stop to further loss. It also quantifies the risk.

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