

Base Metals

	Previous	CMP	% Change
Comex Copper	2.752	2.733	-0.69
LME Copper	6175	6120	-0.89
LME Aluminium	2028	2026.75	-0.06
LME Zinc	2606.5	2570	-1.40
LME Lead	2112.25	2081	-1.48
LME Nickel	13515	13335	-1.33
MCX Copper	419.05	416	-0.73
MCX Aluminium	138.75	138.75	0.00
MCX Zinc	180.65	178.2	-1.36
MCX Lead	145.35	143.3	-1.41
MCX Nickel	926.2	918	-0.89

Base Metal Related News

Base Metals ended slightly positive on weaker dollar after the neutral release of US Non farm payroll data.

China's finance ministry unveiled tariffs on 5,207 goods imported from the United States, with the extra levies ranging from 5 percent to 25 percent. Items earmarked for the 25 percent tariff include ore and concentrates of copper, zinc and nickel.

China has confirmed to maintain pollution curbs in smog areas in 28 cities and will come into effect from 1st October 2018 to 31st March 2019.

China's central bank said it would require banks to keep reserves equivalent to 20 percent of their clients' foreign exchange forwards positions from Monday

LME Inventory

Commodity	LME Stock	Change	Shanghai Stock	Change	Change in Canceled Warrants	CW as % of LME Stocks
Copper	249900	-725	192817	-4251	-725	9.86
Aluminium	1177550	-7725	905924	747	1475	28.63
Zinc	233525	-750	48534	399	-750	7.83
Lead	125775	450	12841	694	900	50.96
Nickel	251838	-1440	18887	-919	-1380	25.10

Base Metal Outlook

Base metal prices trading lower today. We expect prices to trade negative during the day as trade tensions are playing the role after China's move to place retaliatory tariffs on \$60 billion of U.S. goods pushing dollar index higher. One can maintain buy on dips strategy in Aluminium for the day.

Important Events For The Week					
Cur			Actual	Forecast	Previous
Events For Today					
11:30am	EUR	German Factory Orders m/m		-0.30%	2.60%
7-Aug					
11:30am	EUR	German Industrial Production m/m		-0.50%	2.60%
8-Aug					
Tentative	CNY	Trade Balance		255B	262B
Tentative	CNY	USD-Denominated Trade Balance		39.1B	41.6B
10:30am	JPY	Economy Watchers Sentiment		47.8	48.1
6:15pm	USD	FOMC Member Barkin Speaks			
8:00pm	USD	Crude Oil Inventories			3.8M
9-Aug					
7:00am	CNY	CPI y/y		2.00%	1.90%
	CNY	PPI y/y		4.60%	4.70%
9th-14th	CNY	New Loans			1840B
1:30pm	EUR	ECB Economic Bulletin			
6:00pm	USD	PPI m/m		0.20%	0.30%
	USD	Core PPI m/m		0.30%	0.30%
	USD	Unemployment Claims			218K
8:00pm	USD	Natural Gas Storage			35B
10-Aug					
5:20am	JPY	Prelim GDP q/q		0.30%	-0.20%
	JPY	PPI y/y		2.90%	2.80%
6:00pm	USD	CPI m/m		0.20%	0.10%
	USD	Core CPI m/m		0.20%	0.20%

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