

Base Metals

	Previous	CMP	% Change
Comex Copper	2.856	2.854	-0.07
LME Copper	6290.75	6279.5	-0.18
LME Aluminium	1796.75	1796.25	-0.03
LME Zinc	2375	2367.5	-0.32
LME Lead	1914.25	1916.25	0.10
LME Nickel	14102	13882.5	-1.56
MCX Copper	450.85	450.8	-0.01
MCX Aluminium	140.55	140.15	-0.28
MCX Zinc	182.2	182.35	0.08
MCX Lead	150.9	151.1	0.13
MCX Nickel	1029.8	1021	-0.85

Base Metal Related News

Base metals neutral as investors await the signing of the so-called phase-one trade deal between the U.S. and China.

A phase-one U.S.-China trade deal is tentatively scheduled to be signed by U.S. President Donald Trump on Wednesday.

China's imports of unwrought copper and copper products in December exceeded that in November to stand at 530,000 mt, 22.8% higher than a year earlier, customs data showed.

The huge copper imports in December was largely due to a favorable price arbitrage between Chinese and international copper prices, allowing traders to profit by shipping metal into China.

China's aluminium exports rose by 5.8% from the previous month to 478,000 tonnes, the highest since July.

China produced 25.721 million units of vehicles in 2019, down 7.5% from a year earlier, while sales fell 8.2% to 25.769 million units,

LME Inventory

Commodity	LME Stock	Change	Shanghai Stock	Change	Canceled Warrants	CW as % of LME Stocks
Copper	128100	-1900	141317	17670	41875	32.69
Aluminium	1378225	-15375	188027	2900	642625	46.63
Zinc	51800	825	30806	2752	8250	15.93
Lead	66475	0	44762	200	9675	14.55
Nickel	177600	4098	37304	-103	35124	19.78

Base Metal Outlook

Base metals are trading lower in international markets. We expect base metal prices to trade positive on declining inventories and as markets are awaiting the signing of the US-China phase I trade agreement on Jan 15th. Also, China positive trade data is supporting the metal prices. One can maintain buy on dips strategy in Zinc, Lead and Copper for the day

Important Events For The Week					
	Cur		Actual	Forecast	Previous
13-Jan					
12:30pm	EUR	German WPI m/m	0%	0.20%	-0.10%
3:00pm	GBP	GDP m/m	-0.30%	0.00%	0.00%
	GBP	Industrial Production m/m	-1.20%	-0.10%	0.10%
EVENTS FOR TODAY					
Tentative	CNY	Trade Balance	329B	315B	274B
14th-18th	CNY	Foreign Direct Investment ytd/y			6.00%
10:30am	JPY	Economy Watchers Sentiment	39.8	40.9	39.4
14th-15th	CNY	New Loans		1250B	1390B
14th-15th	CNY	M2 Money Supply y/y		8.40%	8.20%
4:30pm	USD	NFIB Small Business Index		104.9	104.7
7:00pm	USD	CPI m/m		0.20%	0.30%
	USD	Core CPI m/m		0.20%	0.20%
7:30pm	USD	FOMC Member Williams Speaks			
Tentative	USD	IBD/TIPP Economic Optimism		57.3	57
15-Jan					
5:20am	JPY	M2 Money Stock y/y		2.70%	2.80%
6:00am	JPY	BOJ Gov Kuroda Speaks			
3:00pm	GBP	CPI y/y		1.50%	1.50%
	GBP	Core CPI y/y		1.70%	1.70%
3:30pm	EUR	Industrial Production m/m		0.30%	-0.50%
	EUR	Trade Balance		22.3B	24.5B
7:00pm	USD	Core PPI m/m		0.20%	-0.20%
	USD	PPI m/m		0.20%	0.00%
	USD	Empire State Manufacturing Index		4.1	3.5
9:00pm	USD	Crude Oil Inventories			1.2M
9:30pm	USD	FOMC Member Harker Speaks			
10:30pm	USD	FOMC Member Kaplan Speaks			
12:30am	USD	Beige Book			
16-Jan					
5:20am	JPY	Core Machinery Orders m/m		3.10%	-6.00%
	JPY	PPI y/y		0.90%	0.10%
12:30pm	EUR	German Final CPI m/m		0.50%	0.50%
7:00pm	USD	Core Retail Sales m/m		0.50%	0.10%
	USD	Retail Sales m/m		0.30%	0.20%
	USD	Philly Fed Manufacturing Index		4.5	0.3
	USD	Unemployment Claims		220K	214K
8:30pm	USD	FOMC Member Bowman Speaks			
	USD	Business Inventories m/m		-0.10%	0.20%
	USD	NAHB Housing Market Index		74	76
9:00pm	USD	Natural Gas Storage			-44B
11:30pm	EUR	ECB President Lagarde Speaks			
17-Jan					
7:30am	CNY	GDP q/y		6.00%	6.00%
	CNY	Fixed Asset Investment ytd/y		5.20%	5.20%
	CNY	Industrial Production y/y		6.20%	6.20%
	CNY	NBS Press Conference			
	CNY	Retail Sales y/y		7.90%	8.00%
	CNY	Unemployment Rate			5.10%
10:00am	JPY	Tertiary Industry Activity m/m		1.00%	-4.60%
2:30pm	EUR	Current Account		34.3B	32.4B
3:00pm	GBP	Retail Sales m/m		0.80%	-0.60%
3:30pm	EUR	Final CPI y/y		1.30%	1.30%
	EUR	Final Core CPI y/y		1.30%	1.30%
7:00pm	USD	Building Permits		1.47M	1.48M
	USD	Housing Starts		1.38M	1.37M
7:30pm	USD	FOMC Member Harker Speaks			
7:45pm	USD	Capacity Utilization Rate		77.20%	77.30%
	USD	Industrial Production m/m		0.00%	1.10%
8:30pm	USD	Prelim UoM Consumer Sentiment		99.2	99.3
	USD	Prelim UoM Inflation Expectations			2.30%
11:15pm	USD	FOMC Member Quarles Speaks			

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