MARKET OUTLOOK

Pakistan Seeks $10bn US Facility as US-Iran De-escalation Talks Ease Energy Market Worries

Daily Market Overview

Thursday, 27 August, 2026

Support	**169,000**
Resistance 1	**184,500**
Resistance 2	**187,500**

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The market is expected to remain bullishly volatile, as Pakistan seeks a $10 billion US facility and ongoing dialogue between the CDF and Iranian officials toward de-escalation and reopening the Strait of Hormuz has taken some of the sting out of energy-market worries.

From a technical perspective, the 169,000 level is likely to act as a key support zone. On the upside, 184,500 stands as the immediate resistance level, followed by the next resistance near 187,500.

Investors are advised to maintain a cautious but proactive approach, focusing on fundamentally strong stocks with long-term growth potential.

Major News | KSE-100 | Thursday, 27 August, 2026

- **Oil prices extend losses on expectations talks to ease Middle East supply woes** https://www.reuters.com/business/energy/oil-prices-extend-losses-expectations-talks-ease-middle-east-supply-woes-2026-08-27/
- **Fresh efforts at mediation revive hopes for US-Iran climbdown** https://www.dawn.com/news/2025343/fresh-efforts-at-mediation-revive-hopes-for-us-iran-climbdown
- **Pakistan Seeks $10 Billion US Facility, Expects Reply Soon** https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2026-08-25/pakistan-seeks-10-billion-us-facility-expects-reply-soon
- **Pakistan has $6-9 billion in maritime investment proposals amid Gulf shipping disruptions — minister** https://www.arabnews.pk/node/2655869/pakistan
- **Saudi delegation in Pakistan to explore investment opportunities in energy, infrastructure sectors** https://www.arabnews.pk/node/2655904/pakistan
- **Govt seeks US funding in shift from reliance on China: report** https://www.thenews.pk/print/1433961-govt-seeks-us-funding-in-shift-from-reliance-on-china-report
- **Govt introduces export rebate to reward growth in shipments** https://www.thenews.pk/print/1433963-govt-introduces-export-rebate-to-reward-growth-in-shipments
- **Petrol price up by Rs1.12, HSD's by Rs1.11** https://epaper.brecorder.com/2026/08/26/10-page/1117107-news.html
- **IP project remains stalled** https://tribune.com.pk/story/2625870/ip-project-remains-stalled
- **Refinery upgrade agreements likely to be signed in September** https://www.thenews.pk/print/1433967-refinery-upgrade-agreements-likely-to-be-signed-in-september
- **CCP clears IGI Investments' acquisition of Akzo Nobel Pakistan shares** https://profit.pakistantoday.com.pk/2026/08/25/ccp-clears-igi-investments-acquisition-of-akzo-nobel-pakistan-shares
- **UBL shareholders approve up to Rs22bn investment in Khushhali Microfinance Bank** https://mettisglobal.news/UBL-shareholders-approve-up-to-Rs22bn-investment-in-Khushhali-Microfinance-Bank-62937
- **Banks may remit USD800m to money transfer operators** https://epaper.brecorder.com/2026/08/26/10-page/1117105-news.html
- **Easypaisa digital bank more than doubles profit to around Rs6bn in H1 2026** https://mettisglobal.news/easypaisa-digital-bank-more-than-doubles-profit-to-around-Rs6bn-in-H1-2026-62933
- **Asian stocks rise for third day as Nvidia beats** https://www.reuters.com/world/china/global-markets-wrapup-1-2026-08-27/

FIPI / LIPI

(USD' mn)

LIPI Portfolio		Cement	Banks	Fertilizer	Food	E&P	OMC	Power	Tech	Textile	Others	Gross
	Banks / DFI	-0.19	0.06	-0.18	-0.01	0.51	0.00	-	-0.02	-0.00	-0.89	-0.72
	Broker Proprietary Trading	0.45	0.07	-0.19	-0.00	0.08	0.23	-0.09	0.09	-0.01	-0.38	0.25
	Companies	0.25	0.14	0.09	0.04	-0.62	-0.02	0.05	0.02	-0.00	0.62	0.56
	Individuals	-1.06	0.33	0.35	-0.37	0.65	-0.18	0.16	2.12	0.09	-0.61	1.47
	Insurance Companies	-0.05	0.48	0.00	0.00	-0.75	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.66	0.35
	Mutual Funds	1.06	0.67	-0.23	0.38	-0.18	0.08	-0.17	-0.01	-0.03	-0.01	1.58
	NBFC	-0.00	0.01	0.00	-0.00	-0.02	-	0.00	0.00	-	0.00	-0.00
	Other Organization	-0.02	0.01	-0.01	0.00	0.01	-0.01	-0.01	0.04	-0.00	0.10	0.12
	LIPI Total	**0.44**	**1.76**	**-0.16**	**0.04**	**-0.32**	**0.10**	**-0.05**	**2.24**	**0.05**	**-0.50**	**3.60**

(USD' mn)

FIPI Portfolio		Cement	Banks	Fertilizer	Food	E&P	OMC	Power	Tech	Textile	Others	Gross
	Foreign Corporates	-0.10	-1.63	0.13	-	-	-0.04	-0.06	-0.74	-	-0.08	-2.52
	Foreign Individual	-	-	-	0.00	-	-	0.09	-1.70	-	-0.10	-1.70
	Overseas Pakistani	-0.34	-0.13	0.03	-0.04	0.32	-0.06	0.02	0.21	-0.05	0.68	0.62
	Total	**-0.44**	**-1.76**	**0.16**	**-0.04**	**0.32**	**-0.10**	**0.05**	**-2.24**	**-0.05**	**0.50**	**-3.60**

Source: NCCPL

INTRA-DAY TRADES

LOTCHEM	**BUY**
Current Price	28.19
Buy near or at	**26.90 - 27.50**
Target	29.75 - 30.67
Stop loss closing below	26.46

MLCF	**BUY**
Current Price	103.42
Buy near or at	**98.23 - 100.00**
Target	106.00 - 109.00
Stop loss closing below	96.14

CPHL	**BUY**
Current Price	76.18
Buy near or at	**74.00 - 75.00**
Target	79.35 - 80.00
Stop loss closing below	72.87

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EPS – Earnings Per Share	DPS – Dividend Per Share	ROE – Return of Equity
ROA – Return on Assets	SOTP – Sum of the Parts	LDCP – Last Day Closing Price

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