

Markets ends with marginal gain

The Indian equities market ended the last day of the trading session of the week with a marginal gain amidst volatile trade. Buying interest was seen in banking, capital goods, metal and power stocks.

The 30-share benchmark of the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) sensitive index (Sensex), which opened at 15,036.57 points, touched a high of 15,228.82 points before closing at 15,167.82 points. It went up 50.57 points or 0.33 percent at the day's close.

The National Stock Exchange (NSE) S and amp;P Nifty, which opened at 4,518.35 points, closed at 4,529.50 points. It went up 5.65 points or 0.12 percent.

The BSE Midcap index, which closed at 5,886.97 points, went up 5.37 points or 0.09 percent.

BSE Smallcap index, which closed at 7,181.74 points, went up by 14.75 points or 0.21 percent

The market breadth was negative. On BSE, 1,323 shares advanced, 1,405 declined and 71 maintained status quo.

The top gainers of the day included Sterlite Industries, which at Rs.614.00 went up 4.10 percent, ONGC at Rs.1023.15 gained 3.99 percent, and ICICI Bank at Rs.708.50 advanced 2.88 percent.

The top losers of the day included Grasim Industries, which at Rs.2,089.35 lost 2.48 percent, Wipro Ltd at Rs.448.50 lost 2.41 percent, and Infosys at 1721.40 went down 2.41 percent.

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