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| Open | 4,832 |
| Close | 4,775 |
| Movement (%) | % |
| Day high | 4,832 |
| Day low | 4,775 |
| 1 yr Return | -11.59% |
| YTD return | -9.59% |

JCI

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| Open | 4,779 |
| Close | 4,732 |
| Movement (%) | -0.76% |
| Day high | 4,779 |
| Day low | 4,732 |
| 1 yr Return | -9.61% |
| YTD return | 2.85% |

PSE

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| Open | 6,637 |
| Close | 6,629 |
| Movement (%) | -0.6% |
| Day high | 6,637 |
| Day low | 6,610 |
| 1 yr Return | -12.04% |
| YTD return | -4.78% |

Global currencies against USD

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| USD | 1 |
| IDR | 13,395 |
| EUR | 0.88 |
| AUD | 1.41 |
| PHP | 47.48 |
| GBP | 0.69 |
| SGD | 1.39 |

Commodity Prices

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| Gold | USD/oz | 1,209.80 |
| Oil (brent) | USD/bbl | 30.57 |
| Oil (WTI) | USD/bbl | 26.91 |
| Coal (Indo) | USD/t | 53.20 |
| Iron Ore | USD/t | 45.52 |

Market View

US Markets

Stocks cut gains, closing the day mixed

Most U.S. shares ended little changed to lower on Wednesday, erasing early gains on concerns about global growth and sliding commodity-related shares. The benchmark U.S. S&P 500 SPX stock index rose as much as 1.6 % following Federal Reserve Chair Janet Yellen's prepared testimony to Congress. It changed course and ended mostly flat, while the Dow Jones industrial average ended down 100 points.

Asian Markets

Asian stocks tumble continue to tumble on fears over world economy

Asian stock markets took another battering on Wednesday with Tokyo leading a day of sharp losses as investors grow increasingly concerned about the world economy and the possibility of a global recession. Japan's Nikkei index lost 2.31% to close at its lowest level since October 2014, extending the 5.4% collapse on Tuesday as the yen climbed against the dollar. Sydney shed 1.2 per cent. Singapore, returning from a two-day holiday, sank 1.57 % in the afternoon while Wellington, Manila and Mumbai also lost out.

JCI slumps for second day as investors seek quick gains

Indonesia's benchmark stock index slipped for the second time this week as investors continued to take their profits amid lingering uncertainty spilling over from the global market. The Jakarta Composite Index, or JCI, fell 0.76% to 4,732.5 on Wednesday, as foreign investors booked a total net sell of IDR133.2bn. Shares of clove cigarette maker H.M. Sampoerna saw the biggest loss on Wednesday with a 3.8 % decline to IDR107,000, followed by two of the largest state lenders in Indonesia by assets, Bank Mandiri with a 2.2% drop to IDR9,825 and Bank Rakyat Indonesia with a 1.7% fall to IDR200.

News in Brief

Economy

Indonesia: Indonesia plans to open up economy to more investment

Indonesia is intent on opening up previously closed sectors of the economy to foreign capital, as the government prepares to announce changes to its investment guidelines. Greater foreign investment and increased government spending on infrastructure will compensate for weaker export performance and drive economic growth in Indonesia to as fast as 5.2% this year. Indonesian President, Joko Widodo's proposal, which will ease rules in the e-commerce, retail, healthcare and movie industries, is the most far-reaching yet in a string of stimulus packages rolled out over the past six months to arrest a slowdown in growth.

Corporate

Indonesia: Government aim to reduce tariff on palm oil and cocoa

The government will negotiate with the European Union (EU) to reduce tariffs currently imposed on Indonesia's palm oil and cocoa products as negotiations are set to resume soon on the much-awaited Indonesia-EU comprehensive economic partnership agreement (CEPA). The EU, formerly the largest importer of Indonesia's biodiesel, has imposed a five-year tax on biodiesel from a number of Indonesian companies since 2013, with the tax imposed on Indonesia's biodiesel ranging from around USD86 to USD200 per ton.

Philippines: 17-year ban on bank licenses to be lifted

The Philippines will phase out a 17-year moratorium on setting up new banks in a bid to lure local investors to an industry that's also recently opened to foreigners. The Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas approved lifting the ban on granting licenses to establish new banks. The initial phase, which allows existing thrift banks to apply for a license to convert into a universal or commercial bank, will apply until the end of 2017. The second phase will start in January 2018, when all restrictions on granting new licenses will be fully lifted.

Philippines: Exports drop 5.6% in 2015

Exports sustained a nearly year-long downtrend last December, bringing total receipts 5.6% lower at USD58.65bn in 2015. Total exports revenue fell USD143mm, reaching USD4.7bn in December 2015 from USD4.8bn in the same month in 2014. Lower sales in manufactures, agro-based and mineral products mainly accounted for the drop in December, which tempered increased earnings from petroleum products. Petroleum exports increased 11.9% after three consecutive months of decline due to the recent low oil price environment. But the slowdown in the country's major trading partners, such as China, dragged down revenues from merchandise exports. Electronic products remained the country's top export with total receipts of USD2.529bn, accounting for 54.3% of total revenue in December 2015.

Indonesia: Bank MNC plans right issue in 2016

Bank MNC Internasional, a lender controlled by the MNC Group, is mulling plans for another rights issuance later this year to beef up its capital. The lender seeks to acquire IDR500bn (USD37mm) from selling new shares to existing shareholders. The lender aims to have capital of up to IDR2.3tn by the end of this year. Bank MNC raised IDR400bn from a rights issue in November last year, boosting its capital to IDR1.8tn.

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