Special Monthly Report on

BASE METALS JUNE 2023



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On LME, Copper slumped almost 6% in May, its biggest monthly loss since June, pressured by the sluggish pace of metals demand recovery in China and fear of US debt limit default. China's factory activity unexpectedly swung to growth in May from decline, a private sector survey showed, driven by improved production and demand, helping struggling firms that have been hit by slumping profits. Business confidence for the coming 12 months fell to a seven-month low amid concerns over global economic prospects. China's construction industry is stagnant, Chinese Yangshan copper import premiums at \$37.50 a tonne are stuck well below their long term average, and copper stocks in LME warehouses have almost doubled since mid-April to 100,000 tonnes. Zinc was highest loser with 15% downside on LME and 12% downside on MCX and nosedived to 24-month low on May 26 as weak demand for the metal used to galvanise steel pushed the market into surplus and exchange inventories rose. Aluminium prices fell more than 12% on LME as the amount of Russian aluminium in the LME warehouse network has grown significantly over recent months as many Western users self-sanction by opting for other suppliers.



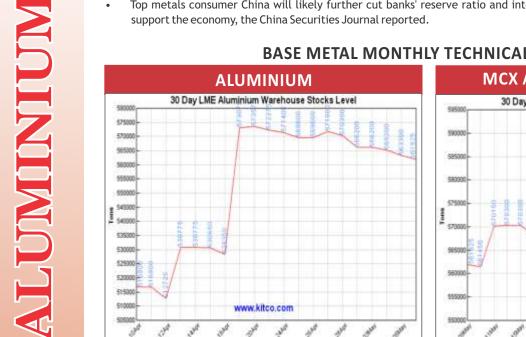


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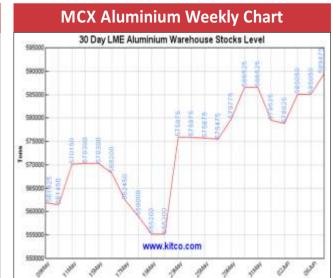
- Base metals prices may trade in different direction on mixed fundamentals the growing fear of global recession, tepid demand in top consumer China and improving supply may pressure the market while a weaker dollar and hopes of more stimulus to bolster economic growth in China may provide some support.
- Market participants expected to see a less tightened market this month, with some large-sized smelters resuming production after maintenance.
- China's copper imports slid 4.6% in May from a year ago, customs data showed, as soft demand amid a shaky economic recovery in the world's top metal consumer dampened buying appetite while domestic production remained high. Imports of unwrought copper and copper products totalled 444,010 tonnes in May, according to data from the General Administration of Customs.
- The global zinc market surplus climbed to 26,700 tonnes in March, from a surplus of 22,800 tonnes a month earlier, data from the International Lead and Zinc Study Group showed.



- During the first three months of 2023, ILZSG data showed a surplus of 49,000 tonnes, versus a surplus of 116,000 tonnes in the same period of 2022. Global demand for refined lead metal is anticipated to increase by 1.7% this year to 12.53 million tonnes while world lead mine production is forecast to grow by 2.8% to 4.56 million tonnes, the organisation said.
- China is working on a new basket of measures to support the property market after existing policies failed to sustain a rebound in the ailing sector.
- Top metals consumer China will likely further cut banks' reserve ratio and interest rates in the second half of this year to support the economy, the China Securities Journal reported.



BASE METAL MONTHLY TECHNICAL REPORT



Aluminium Future at the MCX platform has settled flat at 205 on last week. For the last couple of weeks, prices have been trading in a narrow range between 202-215. Now the prices have been trading below the 18 day moving averages of 207. The short term immediate resistance is seen around 211, sustainable trade above 211 can see the upside move towards 220/235 and if it breaks the support line of 203, then it can see the downside move towards 187/172 respectively. Overall, the commodity is expected to move lower from its resistance levels. Thus, we recommend selling at its higher levels in the current month.



Copper futures at the MCX platform has settled little higher at 716.10 on the previous week from the previous closing price of 712.45. The prices have been traded between the weekly trend line support and resistance of 700 to 800. Now the immediate resistance is seen around 734. If the price will sustain above 734 levels, it can continue to move upside towards the next resistance of 760/785. If the price has failed to sustain above the resistance of 734, then we can see again the downside move towards 700/675 again. Overall, the commodity is expected to move higher from its support levels.



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Lead future at the MCX platform has settled little lower at 182.50 on the previous week. At present prices are trading near the daily 18 EMA levels of 183.The Momentum Oscillator Stochastic (14,3,3) is now witnessing positive divergence and also providing bullish trend for short to medium term basis. Now the crucial resistance is seen at 186, sustainable trade above this level will see the good upside move towards 192/200 in this month and if the prices has sustain below the support level of 179.50 levels then can see the downside move towards 174/169 respectively.



Zinc future at the MCX platform has settled lower at 209.05 on the previous week. At present prices are trading below the daily 200 EMA levels 262.85 and below the weekly sloping trend line support levels of 240. As per the chart pattern bullish hammer pattern has observed in the last week. So we can expect the good rally if it sustains above 216 as per the chart pattern. Now the immediate support is seen around 204.50, If the price will sustain below the support levels of 204.50 then we can see further downside moves towards 190/175 and if it trades above the immediate resistance of 216 levels and sustain can see the upside move towards 240/255 respectively. But the view will be intact until the recent low, 204.50 is not interrupted.

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