



## Weekly Stock Recommendation

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Sector/Country: Equities/Nigeria

Stock Rating: See text

Equity Market Cap : N39.11tn/\$49.39bn  
All Share Index : 71,112.99  
YTD : +38.75%

### Overview

- Market activities for the week ended Friday, November 17, 2023 closed bullish. The bulls triumphed in four (4) out of the five (5) trading days as MTNN (+2.35%), SEPLAT (+6.06%) and ACCESSCORP (+0.29%) boosted the broader index. The NGX ASI thus closed higher increasing by 0.37% w/w to close at 71,112.99 for the week. The positive sentiment for the week was driven by the upturn in oil & gas Index (+2.61%), Insurance Index (+0.91%) and consumer goods Index (+0.24%). The Industrial Index (-1.18%), banking Index (-0.04%) were the only bearish index.

### Gainers & Losers preview

- On the individual stock level, DEAPCAP (+54.84%, w/w), C&I LEASING (+49.55% w/w), MECURE (+46.17% w/w), OMATEK (+35.94% w/w) and NNFM (+32.78%) sustained the market. On the flipside, JAPPAUL (-14.14%, w/w) led the losers whilst BETAGLAS (-9.92% w/w), TIP (-9.80%, w/w) and REDSTAR (-8.54%, w/w) depressed the market. Hence, to close the week, the year-to-date (YTD) return increased to +38.75%, whilst the market capitalization gain N183bn week on week to close at N39.108trn.

### Market Event and Prospect for the week

- Market Event for the week

#### Inflation soars to 27.33%

Nigeria's inflation rate accelerated to 27.33% in October 2023, increasing by 0.61 percentage points from 26.72 in September 2023. On a year on year basis, the headline inflation was 6.24 percentage points higher compared to 21.09% obtained in October 2022.

#### Drivers for Inflation

Food prices keep rising as the residual effect of the removal of petrol subsidies and the devaluation of the official exchange rate is still being felt. Also the positive effect anticipated from the state of emergency declared by President Bola Tinubu in July on food security is yet to materialize.

#### Impact on Equities market

The equities market closed October with a year to date gain of **+35.09%** out-performing inflation (**27.33%**) by **+7.76** percentage points. Also, on a month on month basis, the NGX ASI grew by **+4.30%** as inflation which increased by **2.28** in the same period. However, the more inflation keep rising the more investors keep looking for fixed income securities to reduce volatility and earn a fixed income.

### Key Market Data

INDEX	Week Ended 10/11/2023	Week Ended 17/11/2023	Week to date	Year to date %
All Share Index	70,849.38	71,112.99	0.37	38.75
NGX Banking Index	728.46	728.16	-0.04	74.41
NGX Consumer Goods Index	1,149.78	1,152.57	0.24	95.71
NGX Industrial Index	2,847.90	2,814.22	-1.18	17.10
NGX Insurance Index	291.04	293.70	0.91	68.44
NGX Oil & Gas Index	963.05	988.17	2.61	113.67

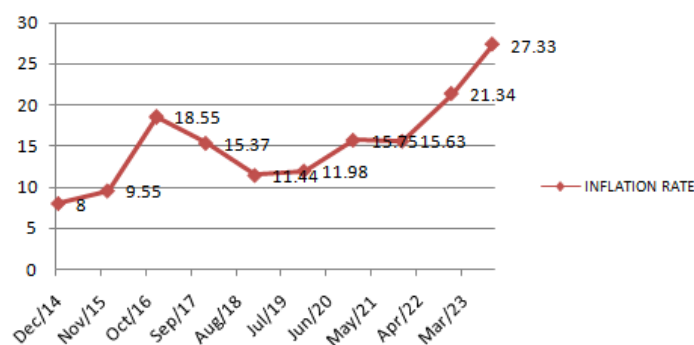
Source: Securities Africa Research, NGX

### Top 10 Advancers

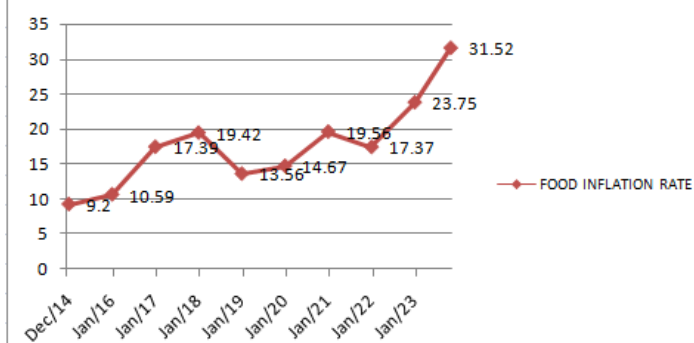
STOCKS	Open	Close	% Change	STOCKS	Open	Close	% Change
DEAPCAP	0.31	0.48	54.84	JAPPAUL	1.98	1.70	-14.14
C&I LEASING	3.33	4.98	49.55	BETAGLAS	59.95	54.00	-9.92
MECURE	3.92	5.73	46.17	TIP	1.02	0.92	-9.80
OMATEK	0.64	0.87	35.94	REDSTAR	3.28	3.00	-8.54
NNFM	18.00	23.90	32.78	MBENEFIT	0.52	0.48	-7.69
NSLTECH	0.28	0.36	28.57	CORNERST	1.50	1.40	-6.67
MULTIVERSE	2.90	3.63	25.17	FTNCOCOA	1.83	1.71	-6.56
MCNICHOLS	0.61	0.75	22.95	LEARNAFRICA	2.98	2.80	-6.04
PRESTIGE	0.45	0.55	22.22	E-TRANZACT	7.55	7.10	-5.96
OANDO	9.60	11.70	21.88	CADBURY	14.40	13.80	-4.17

Source: NGX

### ALL ITEMS INFLATION 2014-2023



### FOOD INFLATION RATE



Source: CBN

## Corporate Action

### SEPLAT PLC

Proposed Dividend: \$0.30  
Qualification Date: 10/11/2023  
Payment Date:24/11/2023

### NASCON PLC

Proposed Dividend: N1.00  
Qualification Date: 09/11/2023  
Payment Date:17/11/2023

Source: NGX

## ■ Prospect for the week

We expect mixed sentiment to prevail this week as the bears look to take profits from the accumulated gains over the past two weeks. We also expect that the recently released inflation figures to trigger a mild sell-off leaving room for bargain hunters to take advantage of good entry prices.

## Recommendation

Below you will find the stocks earmarked for the week. These recommendations serve as a guide to investors for this week.

STOCKS	Last Price	Current Price	WoW% Change	YTD% Change	52Week High	52Week Low	Dividend Yield	P/E RATIO	Earnings Per Share	Recommendation
<b>INDUSTRIAL SECTOR</b>										
DANGOTE CEMENT PLC	328.00	328.00	-	25.67	369.80	220.00	8.23	11.91	27.01	HOLD
BUA CEMENT PLC	107.00	104.00	- 2.80	6.39	117.00	49.50	2.64	25.50	2.98	HOLD
BETA GLASS PLC	59.95	59.95	-	51.39	66.95	39.60	0.66	5.25	13.05	
LAFARGE AFRICA PLC	29.30	29.50	0.68	22.92	30.50	20.10	0.04	6.45	24.95	SELL
<b>TELECOMMUNICATION SECTOR</b>										
MTN NIGERIA COMMUNICATIONS P	234.00	241.00	2.99	12.09	280.00	185.00		12.15	N/A	HOLD
AIRTEL AFRICA PLC	1790.00	1790.00	-	9.48	2,040.00	1,198.00			N/A	HOLD
<b>CONSUMER GOODS SECTOR</b>										
NESTLE NIGERIA PLC	1050.00	1050.00	-	4.55	1,401.40	963.90		17.53	56.63	HOLD
NIGERIAN BREWERIES PLC	38.00	40.00	5.26	2.44	55.44	28.80	2.32	21.94	7.88	ACCUMULATE
DANGOTE SUGAR REFINERY PLC	61.60	61.40	- 0.32	282.55	64.15	15.00	7.89	6.88	0.19	HOLD
INTERNATIONAL BREWERIES	4.50	4.50	-	4.26	8.60	4.00	-	-	2.11	
FLOUR MILLS NIGERIA PLC	32.50	32.00	- 1.54	12.68	40.75	27.00		4.75	3.60	BUY
UNILEVER NIGERIA PLC	13.80	13.95	1.09	20.26	17.45	9.80	-	93.31	1.76	BUY
HONEYWELL FLOUR MILL PLC	3.12	3.13	0.32	33.76	3.83	1.94	1.99	24.98	N/A	
PZ CUSSENS NIGERIA PLC	23.00	23.00	-	102.64	23.00	8.05	0.94	5.91	3.61	SELL
CHAMPION BREWERIES PLC	3.60	3.60	-	34.55	5.55	3.00	-	18.15	0.06	
GUINNESS NIGERIA PLC	65.00	65.00	-	6.20	92.70	54.45	30.57	11.33	12.73	HOLD
NASCON ALLIED INDUSTRIES PLC	54.65	57.00	4.30	413.51	58.00	9.50	6.99	9.51	4.22	SELL
VITAFOAM NIGERIA PLC	22.90	22.90	-	11.98	24.80	16.85			3.51	SELL
CADBURY NIGERIA PLC	14.40	13.80	- 4.17	15.97	18.80	10.20	4.53	17.26	1.08	BUY
BUA FOODS	202.80	202.80	-	212.00	202.80	52.50	N/A	9.09	9.09	SELL
<b>BANKING SECTOR</b>										
GUARANTY TRUST HOLDING CO PLC	35.70	37.00	3.64	60.87	38.85	16.80	15.25	3.07	6.87	ACCUMULATE
ZENITH BANK PLC	33.05	33.50	1.36	39.58	36.95	18.90	15.91	2.46	7.37	ACCUMULATE
STANBIC IBTC HOLDINGS PLC	69.95	69.95	-	109.12	80.00	27.50	7.89	5.84	8.10	HOLD
FBN HOLDINGS PLC	20.00	20.00	-	83.49	20.30	8.20	4.15	2.31	8.57	ACCUMULATE
ACCESSCORP	17.35	17.25	- 0.58	102.94	18.75	7.50	16.51	1.65	5.45	ACCUMULATE
UNITED BANK FOR AFRICA PLC	20.75	20.65	- 0.48	171.71	20.75	6.55	18.38	1.84	6.07	HOLD
ECOBANK TRANSNATIONAL INC	16.00	16.00	-	50.94	17.00	9.50	6.68	2.15	6.48	SELL
UNION BANK NIGERIA PLC	6.50	6.50	-	1.56	8.25	5.00	6.96	8.64	1.66	SELL
FIDELITY BANK NIGERIA	9.15	8.80	- 3.83	102.30	9.15	2.87	-	2.13	2.71	ACCUMULATE
STERLINGNG	3.65	3.66	0.27	161.43	4.17	1.32	3.53	2.20	0.82	HOLD
FCMB GROUP PLC	7.00	6.80	- 2.86	76.62	7.00	2.92		2.03	2.93	BUY
WEMA BANK PLC	4.98	5.18	4.02	32.82	5.44	3.85		6.62	1.42	BUY
JAIZ BANK PLC	1.64	1.60	- 2.44	73.91	1.98	0.68	-	3.75	0.28	BUY
<b>OIL &amp; GAS SECTOR</b>										
SEPLAT ENERGY PLC	1980.10	1950.20	- 1.51	77.29	1,980.10	1,050.00	5.82	34.51	0.11	SELL
OANDO PLC	9.60	11.70	21.88	198.47	14.60	3.53	-	1.62	48.40	
TOTALENERGIES MARKETING NIGE	385.00	385.00	-	99.48	385.00	197.00	11.05	3.92	49.93	HOLD
MRS NIGERIA PLC	109.95	109.95	-	679.79	109.95	10.55	-	364.19	33.75	HOLD
ETERNA PLC	13.85	13.05	- 5.78	95.07	30.40	5.40	-	4.17	5.40	HOLD
CONOIL PLC	86.50	86.50	-	226.42	112.50	23.90	-	4.97	18.33	BUY
<b>INSURANCE SECTOR</b>										
N.E.M. INSUR CO (NIG) PLC	6.05	5.95	- 1.65	32.22	6.30	3.13		3.20	1.32	BUY
AXA MANSARD INSURANCE PLC	4.35	4.40	1.15	120.00	4.60	1.50		5.06	2.08	BUY
AICO INSURANCE PLC	0.72	0.75	4.17	27.12	0.79	0.52		2.13	0.23	HOLD
<b>AGRICULTURE SECTOR</b>										
OKOMU OIL PALM PLC	236.80	236.80	-	43.52	265.00	157.00		10.17	8.80	HOLD
PRESCO PLC	190.00	188.00	- 1.05	36.73	220.00	110.00	0.01	7.59	24.75	ACCUMULATE
<b>CONGLOMERATE SECTOR</b>										
TRANSNATIONAL CORP OF NIGERI	6.18	6.06	- 1.94	436.28	6.70	0.90		17.50	0.36	SELL
UAC OF NIGERIA PLC	16.00	18.00	12.50	75.61	16.00	7.90	-	-	0.11	HOLD
<b>FINANCIAL SERVICES SECTOR</b>										
UNITED CAPITAL AFRICA LTD	16.30	16.60	1.84	18.57	16.00	9.00	13.58	5.16	1.47	SELL
NIGERIAN EXCHANGE GROUP PLC	22.80	22.70	- 0.44	9.38	30.25	17.00	-	62.20	1.04	BUY
CUSTODIAN INVESTMENT PLC	7.00	7.00	-	17.65	7.65	5.35		3.31	2.11	ACCUMULATE
<b>CONSTRUCTION SECTOR</b>										
JULIUS BERGER NIGERIA PLC	34.80	34.80	-	42.04	33.00	21.15		7.30	6.42	SELL
<b>AVIATION SECTOR</b>										
SKYWAY AVIATION HANDLING CO	25.35	25.35	-	407.00	28.15	5.00	#N/A N/A	12.56	1.16	
NIGERIAN AVIATION HANDLING C	24.15	24.50	1.45	282.81	25.95	5.00	-	7.97	1.84	BUY
<b>POWER SECTOR</b>										
GEREGU	395.50	395.50	-	165.44	350.00	100.00			6.44	

## NASD OVERVIEW FOR THE PAST WEEK

Below is a snap shot of what transpired in the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD) market for the week ended November 17, 2023.

### NASD Market News

MARKET SNAPSHOT	Week 45	Week 44	% Change
NASD Securities Index	845.13	841.2	0.47
Market Capitalization (NTn)	1.13	1.14	-0.88
Total Volume Traded	7,705,993.00	3,758,933.00	105.00
Total Value Traded	94,188,112.83	120,391,892.63	-21.77
Number of Deals	88	70	25.71
Number of Traded Stocks	13	11	18.18

Source: Proshare NASD

WEEK ADVANCERS			
SECURITY	Close (N)	Open (N)	%Change
SDUBNPROP	1.55	1.36	13.97
SDARADEL	792	715	10.77
SDNEWRIST	14.64	13.31	9.99
SDNASDPLC	13.3	12.1	9.92
SDARCON	0.57	0.52	9.62
WEEK DECLINERS			
SDGIFLUID	2.70	2.97	-9.09
SDFCWAMCO	70.00	74.00	-5.41
SDCSCSPLC	20.10	21.00	-4.29
SDFOODCPT	1.50	1.52	-1.32

Source: Proshare NASD

### FMDQ

Foreign Exchange NAFEM Window			
Description	Spot (\$/N)	Change %	Date
Opening	780.14	1.24	10-11-23
Close	791.75	-1.49	17-11-23
NAFEX	837.87		16-11-23
MPR	18.75%		22-07-23
INFLATION	26.72%		30-09-23
	Tuesday, October 31, 2023	Saturday, September 30, 2023	
GROSS EXTERNAL RESERVES (USD'bn)	33.4	33.2	0.51

Source: Securities Africa Research , NGX

YTD OVERVIEW	Week 45	Week 44	%Change
TOTAL VOLUME	4,084,243,126.00	4,076,537,133.00	0.19
TOTAL VALUE	35,571,420,984.04	35,477,232,871.21	0.27
NUMBER OF DEALS	3,455.00	3,367.00	2.61

Source: Proshare NASD

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