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Uzbekistan Weekly

Weekly Review
November 25 – 29, 2024

OVERVIEW OF THE TASHKENT STOCK EXCHANGE

Company	Ticker	Sectors	Trading volume (UZS)	Number of transactions	Closing price (UZS)	Weekly %	Share in total turnover
Uztemiryulkonteyner	UTYK	Transportation	200,057,333,302	6	315,000	12.50%	55.11%
Garant Bank	OGIN	Bank	110,000,958,939	63	204	2.51%	30.30%
Mortgage Refinancing Company	IQMK3V4	Bank	30,171,780,900	1	1,000,000	0.00%	8.31%
Universal bank	UNVB	Bank	20,000,876,534	17	8,065	-10.39%	5.51%
Uzbek Commodity Exchange	URTS	Service	918,095,278	1,279	3,498	13.58%	0.25%
Uzmetkombinat	UZMK	Metallurgy	369,652,512	209	4,700	30.56%	0.10%
Chilonzor item trading center	CBSK	Service	331,521,332	146	2.39	2.14%	0.09%
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Imkon Finans bonds	IFMT4	Microfinance	181,011,000	27	1,000,000	0.00%	0.05%
Biznes Finans bonds	BFMT3V2	Microfinance	171,892,492	40	102,000	-6.33%	0.05%
	Others		545,718,729	3,488			0.15%
	Total		**363,018,471,417**	**5,277**			**100.00%**

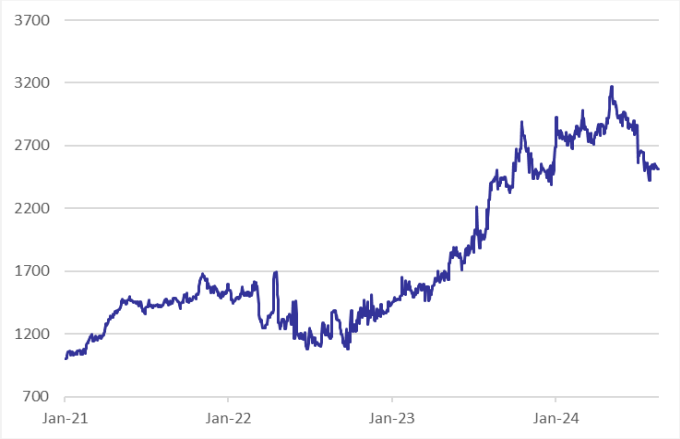
During the past week, trading volume on the Tashkent Stock Exchange amounted to 363bln UZS. Total number of traded securities was 73, five higher than the previous week.

UTYK represented over half of the trading volume on the stock exchange this week. A transaction worth 200bln at 169,751 UZS per share was executed as part of the privatization of a 35% stake in the company, transferred to Cotton Logistics LLC. At the privatization price, UTYK was valued at x3.9 P/E and x1 P/B ratios, with dividend yields of 35.6% for 2021FY and 43.5% for 2022FY. Additionally, there was a significant M&A and restructuring-related deal involving Garant Bank JSC (OGIN) shares for 110blnUZS at 100 UZS per stock, accounting for a third of the turnover. This was followed by trades with IQMK3V4 amounting to 30.2blnUZS, adding another 8.3%. Trades with the bonds of the Mortgage Refinancing Company of Uzbekistan JSC (IQMK3V4) ranked in the top three by volume since listing—maintaining this position for the third consecutive week. In total, bonds made up 8.4% of the turnover, primarily attributed to the latest issuance.

Notably, trading with URTS shares resumed this week after being suspended due to corporate restructuring processes. The company capitalized its retained profits by issuing 4 new shares for every 1 currently owned by each shareholder, resulting in a share price adjustment through a 5-to-1 split. Following the recent SPO of the company, the share price rose by over 35% compared to the SPO price. In comparison to last week, the company's stock price increased by 13.6%, reaching 3,498 UZS per share.

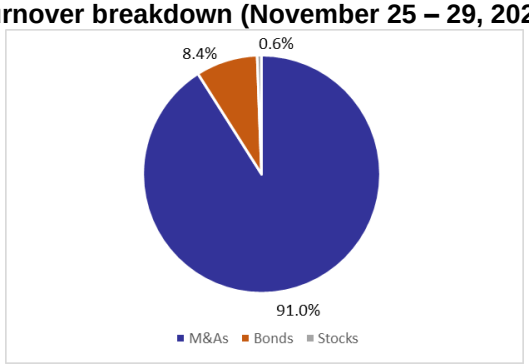
AVEX (Avesta Equity Index) increased by 2% over the week.

AVEX Index



11/29/2024		Daily %	3M %	Yearly %
AWACRI	20.34%	0.00%	-1.36%	-4.52%
AVEX	2,190.2	0.97%	-10.98%	-12.74%
USD/UZS	12,865.1	0.13%	1.51%	4.47%
EUR/UZS	13,550.8	0.28%	-3.99%	0.45%
RUB/UZS	116.7	-2.78%	-15.81%	-16.02%

Turnover breakdown (November 25 – 29, 2024)



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ECONOMICS

- Tashkent Stock Exchange to integrate its IT infrastructure with Bloomberg;
- Chinese Eximbank to open a regional office in Tashkent. The bank financed more than 50 projects in Uzbekistan for over $3bln;
- Export of natural and liquefied gas from Kyrgyzstan to Uzbekistan increased by 5.3 times in 9M2024;
- Average local currency retail deposit rate reached 22.1% (+0.1%) in October;
- Exports of oilseeds, vegetable oil and fats from Uzbekistan increased in 10M2024, while supplies of grains and processed products decreased;
- Draft of state budget for 2025 had been published. Forecasted GDP growth is 6% with inflation projected at 7%. Budget deficit is expected to reach $45.1bln (36.7% of GDP);
- S&P assigned Navoi Uranium JSC BB- rating with Stable outlook;
- Fitch downgraded Kafolat Insurance JSC's (ex. KFLT) outlook to Negative, affirmed at B+ level;
- ACWA Power will get contractual priority for the development of up to 2GWh of standalone battery energy storage system (BESS) projects in Uzbekistan.

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