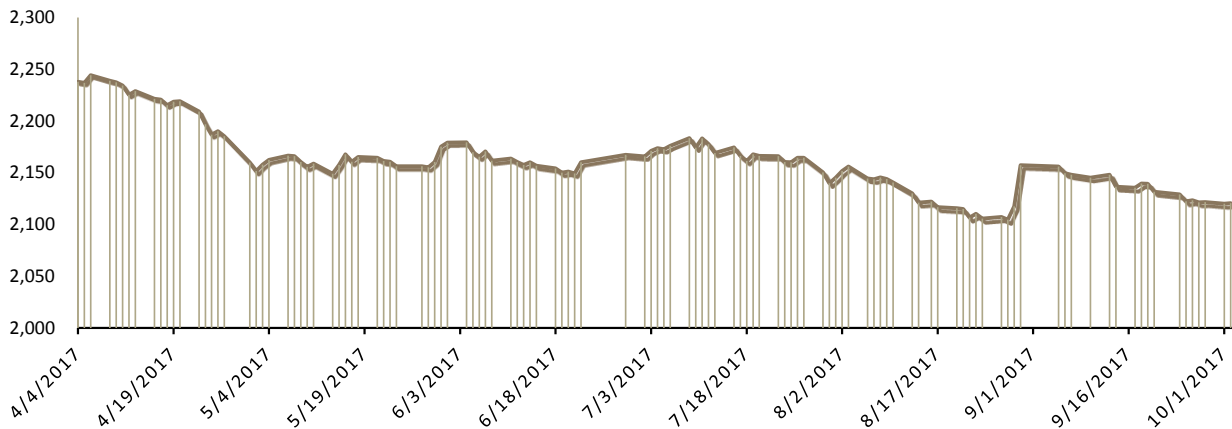


	Close	% Change	Year-to-Date (YTD)	Daily Volume (shares)
AMMAN SE GENERAL INDEX	2,103.63	0.21%	-3.07%	2,385,406

6 MONTHS INDEX PERFORMANCE



Best/Worst Performing Companies

Best Performers	% Change	Worst Performers	% Change
UNION LAND DEVELOPMENT CORP	4.87	HIGH PERFORMANCE REAL ESTAT	(2.56)
UNION TOBACCO & CIGARETTE	4.78	UNION INVESTMENT CORP	(3.28)
ARABIAN AVIATION INVESTMENT	4.16	EL-ZAY READY WEAR MANUF CO	(3.45)
RUM TOURIST TRANSPORTATION C	3.53	JORDAN MASAKEN FOR LAND & IN	(3.85)
AL-RAKAEZ INVESTMENT CO	2.78	JORDAN DECAPOLIS PROPERTIES	(4.26)

Top Traded Companies by Value

	Value traded (JOD)
ARAB BANK PLC	395,586
UNION INVESTMENT CORP	390,326
RUM TOURIST TRANSPORTATION C	264,092
JORDANIAN ELECTRIC POWER	209,850
DAR AL DAWA DEVELOPMENT & INV	164,649

Top Traded Companies by Volume

	Volume traded (Shares)
UNION INVESTMENT CORP	326,768
RUM TOURIST TRANSPORTATION C	311,020
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	123,000
JORDANIAN ELECTRIC POWER	114,203
AL-RAKAEZ INVESTMENT CO	112,827

Macroeconomic & Corporate News

We cannot add taxes on Jordanians to subsidise foreigners in Jordan — King

His Majesty King Abdullah on Wednesday stressed the importance of the governorates councils' role in development with the cooperation with the government and the parliament, a Royal Court statement said. During a meeting with Lower House Speaker Atef Tarawneh and presidents and members of parliamentary blocs, His Majesty noted the need for a strategy to develop the governorates and plans to be implemented on the basis of each governorate's unique features and available resources. The King called on ministers to serve Jordan courageously with confidence and responsibility. He noted that the new tax law in the making has to stiffen penalties against tax evasion. King Abdullah said that Jordan has been "generous" with the refugees, wondering about how long the Kingdom can continue to carry the burden of hosting them. His Majesty said that no country in the world spends the equivalent of a quarter of its budget to accommodate refugees. "Frankly speaking, all shall bear the responsibility and there are people who benefit from the middle class' tax exemptions, which requires improving the law so nobody would be evading taxes", the King added.

Jordan, Egypt to enhance electricity projects

Jordan and Egypt has agreed to enhance electricity connection between the two countries and form a team to study the establishment of a second power line project, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported on Wednesday. The two sides signed a number of memoranda of understanding for operating and maintaining oil and gas pipelines and networks in the Kingdom, and to prepare economic feasibility studies on natural gas supplies for household, trade and industrial use. These agreements were signed during a visit by the Energy and Mineral Resources Minister Saleh Kharabsheh to Egypt, where he met with the Egyptian Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources Tarek El Molla and the Minister of Electricity and Energy Mohamed Shaker, and discussed with them the aspects of energy cooperation and joint projects.

PM urges more active role of private sector

Prime Minister Hani Mulki on Wednesday stressed the government's eagerness to extend the private sector's participation in the national economy and enhancing its competitiveness, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported. During a meeting with representatives of the private sector at the Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply, Mulki noted that the government has worked on enhancing partnership with the private sector to implement a project worth JD200 million. He stressed that such projects would increase capital spending. The premier noted that the government has started implementing an economic reform programme that targets stimulating the economy's growth and financial reforms.

* Source: Bloomberg, Jordan Times, Zawya

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