

**Nifty Outlook:**

The Nifty has formed 4 consecutive red candles on a weekly scale – something which has happened for the first time since Covid crisis. Lower low structure is intact on the weekly horizon. FI's activity in Cash and F&O space for the month of August has been negative as they have been selling constantly from 2<sup>nd</sup> August. On the index futures front, short-covering was seen towards the end of the week from the FI's. The long/short ratio is at 42%. The total number of short contracts stands at 30,274. On 18<sup>th</sup> August; 1,705 long contracts were added compared to liquidation of 9,804 short contracts in index futures. On the index options front, the net call-put is indicating more call writers. To conclude, sentiments are neutral on the index. Expect the index to consolidate. The uptrend is still intact as long as the index is trading above 19,200-19,300 levels.

**Weekly Expiry Point of View:**

Option chain data for next weekly expiry is indicating a trading range of 19,200-19,400 zones. On the call side, 19,400 is the strike with highest OI indicating resistance. On the put side, 19,300 is the strike with highest OI indicating support. As per the data, net call-put writing is indicating there's addition of call writers. 19,300 still remains a key level for the index on a closing basis. However, expect Nifty to trade between a range of 19,200 to 19,400 levels.

**Strategy:**

The sentiment on Nifty is neutral with no significant movement expected. The strategy can be played out by selling 1 OTM PUT and selling 1 OTM CALL.

**Nifty Theta-Scalping:**

SELL 1 LOT PUT NIFTY 24AUG2023 19,200 @ 45

SELL 1 LOT CALL NIFTY 24AUG2023 19,400 @ 48

Max Profit – 90 POINTS

Stop Loss – 145 POINTS

Nifty Weekly Series	Strike	OI (Lakh)
Max Call OI	19,400	2.38
	19,500	1.54
Addition in OI Calls	19,400	1.33
	19,300	0.95
Max Put OI	19,300	1.60
	19,200	1.35
Addition in OI Put	19,250	0.93
	19,300	0.91

Nifty Monthly Series	Strike	OI (Lakh)
Max Call OI	19,500	0.69
	20,000	0.66
Addition in OI Calls	19,300	0.18
	19,550	0.06
Max Put OI	19,000	1.03
	19,500	0.47
Addition in OI Put	19,000	0.18
	19,300	0.06

**Sentiment indicator:**

Particulars	18-Aug	17-Aug	16-Aug	14-Aug
Nifty Premium / (Discount)	4.85	20.75	19.55	43.80
PCR	0.98	0.88	1.12	1.00
A/D Ratio	0.39	0.52	1.00	0.81
VIX	12.14	12.24	12.13	12

**Net Change in Index Futures (Contracts)**

Date	FI	Pro
18/08/2023	-30,274	-7,866
17/08/2023	-41,783	349
16/08/2023	-41,248	-989
14/08/2023	-42,127	2,487
11/08/2023	-36,290	7,915

#### Net Index Options Long (Call - Put = Contracts)

Date	FII	Pro
18/08/2023	-11011	-61619
17/08/2023	-124073	-36419
16/08/2023	-107326	-14740
14/08/2023	-28402	45918
11/08/2023	44854	15327

#### Net Change in Index Option Writing (Call - Put = Contracts)

Date	FII	Pro
18/08/2023	76475	152172
17/08/2023	52347	108633
16/08/2023	8999	22906
14/08/2023	12857	214459
11/08/2023	164509	434860

#### Index Long Short Ratio

FII	42%
Pro	46%

#### Institutional activity in cash segment - Net Value (in crore)

	18-Aug	17-Aug	16-Aug	14-Aug
FII	-266.98	-1,510.86	722.76	-2,324.23
DIIs	339.18	-313.97	2,406.19	1,460.90

#### Top 3 Long Buildups

Particulars	LTP	% Price Change	Open interest (Lakh)	% OI Change
ESCORTS	2,830.00	1.38%	17.06	15.66%
RELIANCE	2,551.00	0.47%	320.87	9.18%
JKCEMENT	3,085.55	1.03%	5.97	9.14%

#### Top 3 Short Buildups

Particulars	LTP	% Price Change	Open interest (Lakh)	% OI Change
MANAPPURAM	147.40	-3.88%	824.94	31.66%
PERSISTENT	4,875.00	-0.87%	11.68	11.62%
ALKEM	3,792.00	-0.29%	7.48	10.78%

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