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### Market Review and Outlook

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The Qatar Stock Exchange (QSE) Index moved up by 69.08 points, or 0.65% during the week, to close at 10,764.13. Market capitalization increased by 0.3% to reach QR624.19 billion (bn) as compared to QR622.13bn at the end of the previous week. Of the 48 listed companies, 26 ended the week higher, 21 declined, while 1 remained unchanged. Salam International Investment Limited (SIIS) was the best performing stock for the week, with a gain of 7.5%. On the other hand, Qatar Cinema and Film Distribution Company (QCFS) was the worst performing stock with a decline of 13.9%.

Industries Qatar (IQCD), Qatar Fuel Company (QFLS) and Nakilat (QGTS) were the primary contributors to the weekly index gain. IQCD was the main contributor to the index's weekly gain, adding 54.5 points to the index. QFLS added an additional 17.8 points to the index. Further, QGTS added 12.9 points to the index.

Trading value during the week increased by 61.4% to QR3,062.6mn vs. QR1,897.5mn in the prior trading week. QNB Group (QNBK) was the top value traded stock during the week with total traded value of QR372.2mn.

**Trading volume increased by 46.4% to 1,151.7mn shares vs. 786.7mn shares in the prior trading week.** The number of transactions surged by 21.2% to 55,450 transactions versus 45,741 transactions in the prior week. Salam International Investment Limited (SIIS) was the top volume traded stock during the week with total traded volume of 275.5mn shares.

Foreign institutions ended the week with net selling of QR31mn vs. net selling of QR182mn in the prior week. Qatari institutions turned negative with net selling of QR49mn vs. net buying of QR74mn in the week before. Foreign retail investors ended the week with net buying of QR13mn vs. net buying of QR30mn in the prior week. Qatari retail investors remained bullish with net buying of QR67mn vs. net buying of QR79mn the week before. So far YTD (as of Wednesday closing), foreigners were net buyers of \$577.7mn.



Market Indicators	Week end May 27, 20		Week ended May 20, 2021	Chg. %	
Value Traded (QR mn)	3,06	2.6	1,897.5	61.4	
Exch. Market Cap. (QR mn)	624,19	1.3	622,127.1	0.3	
Volume (mn)	1,15	1.7	786.7	46.4	
Number of Transactions	55,4	150	45,741	21.2	
Companies Traded		48	48	0.0	
Market Breadth	26	:21	12:35	-	
Market Indices	Close	WTD%	MTD%	YTD%	
Total Return	21,308.25	0.6	(1.3)	6.2	
ALL Share Index	3,413.63	0.4	(1.0)	6.7	
Banks and Financial Services	4,481.61	(0.2)	(0.5)	5.5	
Industrials	3,561.78	2.0	(2.4)	15.0	
Transportation	3,383.03	(0.4)	(2.7)	2.6	
Real Estate	1,903.47	1.2	(0.0)	(1.3)	
Insurance	2,657.64	(0.5)	0.2	10.9	
Telecoms	1,062.40	(1.6)	(2.4)	5.1	
Consumer Goods & Services	8,306.14	1.7	(0.3)	2.0	
Al Rayan Islamic Index	4,640.22	0.7	(0.4)	8.7	

#### Weekly Index Performance



Regional Indices	Close	WTD%	MTD%	YTD%	Weekly Exchange Traded Value (\$ mn)	Exchange Mkt. Cap. (\$ mn)	TTM P/E**	P/B**	Dividend Yield
Qatar*	10,764.13	0.6	(1.3)	3.1	832.67	168,718.9	18.2	1.6	2.7
Dubai	2,816.46	2.4	8.1	13.0	598.60	105,194.6	21.1	1.0	2.9
Abu Dhabi	6,548.19	0.5	8.3	29.8	3,425.33	254,731.1	22.2	1.9	4.0
Saudi Arabia#	10,471.55	1.3	0.5	20.5	13,224.97	2,568,711.7	34.4	2.3	2.0
Kuwait	6,207.57	(1.3)	1.5	11.9	1,178.23	118,595.0	39.3	1.6	2.2
Oman	3,831.71	(0.9)	1.9	4.7	29.12	17,243.5	11.4	0.7	4.7
Bahrain	1,532.69	(0.3)	3.2	2.9	15.24	23,670.0	26.3	1.0	2.2

Source: Bloomberg, country exchanges and Zawya (\*\* Trailing Twelve Months; \* Value traded (\$ mn) do not include special trades, if any; #Data as of May 26, 2021)

- FTSE to include QLMI in micro-cap segment Global index provider FTSE Russell published the results of its Global Equity Index Series June 2021 quarterly review. According to the review, FTSE Russell will include QLM Life & Medical Insurance Company (QLMI) under its micro-cap category. Further, there has been no addition or deletion to large cap, mid cap and small cap indices. The changes will be effective after the close of business on June 17, 2021. (QSE)
- First ever Ooredoo female CEO to lead Ooredoo Oman Ooredoo has announced the appointment of Noor Al-Sulaiti as CEO of Ooredoo Oman, the first female CEO in one of Ooredoo Group's key markets - and Bassam Yousef al-Ibrahim as CEO of Ooredoo Algeria. (Gulf-Times.com)
- Qatar commercial banks post robust growth in credit to public sector – Qatar's commercial banks witnessed a robust double-digit growth in credit to the public sector and domestic debt as their total assets reached QR1.75tn this April, according to the central bank data. The Qatar Central Bank (QCB) data also highlighted that the government debt and Sukuk were in the decline, while that of the banks were on the increase in April 2021. The robust growth in the domestic and foreign assets led the commercial banks total assets to expand 11.57% YoY this April, indicating the sector's support to the country's economy in the review period. The monthly Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) of the Qatar Financial Centre suggests strong quarterly expansion, indicating the recovery of the non-energy economy. (Gulf-Times.com)
- Global Finance Magazine declares Qatar richest country in the region The Global Finance Magazine has declared Qatar first richest country in the region and fourth in the world with a per capita share of \$93,508 followed by the UAE, which ranked 11th globally with a share of \$58,753. (Bloomberg)
- Qatar-UK trade up, reaches £7bn in 2020, says envoy Total trade between Qatar and the UK rose to reach £7bn in 2020 despite restrictions and various challenges related to the Covid-19 pandemic, according to British Ambassador Jonathan Wilks. "This increase in trade volume between both countries is in varying sectors, such as agricultural produce and food products. This is a sign of the amount of interest and activity that the UK and Qatar have in developing trade, business, and investment relationships," the Ambassador told at a recent launch event. Citing the recently launched 'British Food Festival', which will run until May 25 at all LuLu stores across the country, Wilks said aside from celebrating the export of British food products to Qatar, the festival is also a chance for the UK to share some of its technology and partnerships to enable Qatar to build its food security. (Gulf-Times.com)
- Education and science: new avenues for Qatari-Russian cooperation – The St Petersburg International Economic Forum (SPIEF-2021) will feature an exchange of experience on educational and scientific tracks in Doha Hall, areas specifically set aside for the Qatari delegation at the forum venue, as a separate line of cross-cultural interaction between Qatari delegates and Russian representatives. "2021 has been declared the Year of Science and Technology in Russia. It is fundamentally important to create a stable space for cooperation and solidarity. That's why Russian state policy aims as one of its priorities to improve the quality of education and promote science," the Qatari-Russian Centre for Co-operation has said in a press statement, noting that education is one of the central pillars of Qatar's National Vision 2030, which envisages a modern, world-class educational system. (Gulf-Times.com)

- EIU: Qatar's fiscal account set to return to surplus in 2021 on oil price, easing public debt pressures - Qatar's fiscal account will return to surplus in 2021 as a result of recovering international oil prices, easing public debt pressures, The Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) has said in an update. Qatar's ability to fully service its sizeable debt obligations remains strong, supported by ample foreign reserves and the assets of the Qatar Investment Authority (QIA), the sovereign wealth fund. The country's economic risk stemming from regional disputes has "considerably lessened", EIU said on account of the end of the blockade. On currency, EIU said the "Qatari riyal's peg to the US dollar will continue to be backed by healthy foreign reserves and QIA assets." The currency risk has been 'BB' rated by EIU, underlined by a recovery in international oil prices and an expected shift from a deficit on the current account to a surplus in 2021. In terms of the Qatari banking sector, it said the banking sector risk rating is 'BB'. The rating is supported by a robust regulatory framework and solid capital and liquidity indicators. The ratio of non-performing loans to total loans has historically been low but is likely to rise in the short term. EIU also noted Qatar Government's "decisive" response to the coronavirus (Covid-19) outbreak, including a fiscal stimulus package. (Gulf-Times.com)
- QFFD financed projects worth \$530mn in 2020 Qatar Fund for Development (QFFD) announced yesterday that it funded projects worth more than \$530mn during 2020 through humanitarian and development aid, which were distributed over several essential sectors, namely education, health, economic empowerment, infrastructure, and climate change. This came in the Fund's annual report for 2020, in which it reviewed the continuation of its efforts in support of development and relief issues in developing countries. (Peninsula Qatar)
- Cabinet nod for first phase of lifting of curbs from tomorrow

  The Cabinet which met with Prime Minister and Minister of Interior, HE Sheikh Khalid bin Khalifa bin Abdulaziz AI Thani in the chair announced that the first phase of gradual lifting of restrictions will begin from tomorrow, May 28. This decision is in line with an earlier announcement by the Supreme Committee for Crisis Management that the country will be opened in four phases. In this announcement, the Cabinet approved that government and private institutions and businesses will continue to work at half the capacity while the others work from home, except military, security and the health sector. The Cabinet also approved the opening of several sectors at 30% with many requiring vaccinated employees and customers to operate. (Peninsula Qatar)



Source: Qatar Stock Exchange (QSE)



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**Investor Trading Percentage to Total Value Traded** 



Source: Qatar Stock Exchange (QSE)

## **Top Decliners**



Source: Qatar Stock Exchange (QSE)

## Most Active Shares by Volume (Million)



Source: Qatar Stock Exchange (QSE)

## Net Traded Value by Nationality (QR Million)



Source: Qatar Stock Exchange (QSE)

# Most Active Shares by Value (QR Million)

# TECHNICAL ANALYSIS OF THE QSE INDEX



### Source: Bloomberg

The QE Index managed to recover all of its losses during the past week and closed higher by 0.65% vs the week before; last print on the Index was 10,764.13. We see a reversal, and bullish, signal upwards as the Index managed to close above its major moving averages with a positive candlestick on the weekly chart. As a result, we have a positive outlook on the general market, given that the Index does not drop below last week's lowest level reached around the 10,500 level. Our projected resistance level remains at the 11,000 points and the support level at the 10,000 points.

## DEFINITIONS OF KEY TERMS USED IN TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

RSI (Relative Strength Index) indicator – RSI is a momentum oscillator that measures the speed and change of price movements. The RSI oscillates between 0 to 100. The index is deemed to be overbought once the RSI approaches the 70 level, indicating that a correction is likely. On the other hand, if the RSI approaches 30, it is an indication that the index may be getting oversold and therefore likely to bounce back.

MACD (Moving Average Convergence Divergence) indicator – The indicator consists of the MACD line and a signal line. The divergence or the convergence of the MACD line with the signal line indicates the strength in the momentum during the uptrend or downtrend, as the case may be. When the MACD crosses the signal line from below and trades above it, it gives a positive indication. The reverse is the situation for a bearish trend.

Candlestick chart – A candlestick chart is a price chart that displays the high, low, open, and close for a security. The 'body' of the chart is portion between the open and close price, while the high and low intraday movements form the 'shadow'. The candlestick may represent any time frame. We use a one-day candlestick chart (every candlestick represents one trading day) in our analysis.

Doji candlestick pattern – A Doji candlestick is formed when a security's open and close are practically equal. The pattern indicates indecisiveness, and based on preceding price actions and future confirmation, may indicate a bullish or bearish trend reversal.

Shooting Star/Inverted Hammer candlestick patterns – These candlestick patterns have a small real body (open price and close price are near to each other), and a long upper shadow (large intraday movement on the upside). The Shooting Star is a bearish reversal pattern that forms after a rally. The Inverted Hammer looks exactly like a Shooting Star, but forms after a downtrend. Inverted Hammers represent a potential bullish trend reversal.

Company Name	Price May 27	% Change WTD	% Change YTD	Market Cap. QR Million	TTM P/E	P/B	Div. Yield
Qatar National Bank	17.59	(0.79)	(1.35)	162,469	15.1	2.2	2.6
Qatar Islamic Bank	17.30	0.06	1.11	40,879	14.0	2.3	2.3
Commercial Bank of Qatar	5.36	0.87	21.80	21,689	16.7	1.2	1.9
Doha Bank	2.82	(1.47)	19.01	8,734	15.4	0.9	2.7
Al Ahli Bank	3.75	0.00	8.79	9,111	13.3	1.5	4.0
Qatar International Islamic Bank	9.50	0.11	4.95	14,380	17.0	2.3	3.4
Masraf Al Rayan	4.46	0.38	(1.55)	33,450	15.1	2.4	3.8
Al Khaliji Bank	2.19	0.64	19.10	7,880	12.6	1.2	2.6
Qatar First Bank	1.88	(0.11)	9.24	1,316	42.8	2.7	N/A
National Leasing	1.19	(1.66)	(4.67)	586	12.8	0.8	2.1
Dlala Holding	1.73	2.19	(3.90)	490	58.0	2.3	N/A
Qatar & Oman Investment	1.07	(0.47)	20.18	336	49.6	1.1	N/A
Islamic Holding Group	5.04	0.20	(1.49)	285	40.7	2.0	1.0
Banking and Financial Services				301,606			
Zad Holding	15.53	0.19	14.57	4,049	20.1	2.6	4.1
Qatar German Co. for Medical Devices	2.79	0.79	24.72	322	383.9	10.2	N/A
Salam International Investment	1.02	7.52	55.91	1,160	N/A	0.8	N/A
Baladna	1.57	(1.39)	(12.57)	2,975	N/A	1.3	3.4
Medicare Group	9.17	(0.13)	3.74	2,581	29.8	2.5	19.6
Qatar Cinema & Film Distribution	4.22	(13.86)	5.68	265	58.2	1.9	2.4
Qatar Fuel	18.30	2.92	(2.03)	18,195	23.4	2.2	2.5
Qatar Meat and Livestock	4.60	(0.84)	(27.24)	828	32.6	2.2	2.2
Mannai Corp.	3.67	(5.14)	22.33	1,674	24.9	0.7	0.3
Al Meera Consumer Goods	18.87	1.83	(8.88)	3,774	19.7	2.5	4.8
Consumer Goods and Services				35,823			
Qatar Industrial Manufacturing	2.90	0.38	(9.63)	1,378	15.5	0.9	3.4
Qatar National Cement	5.00	0.06	20.55	3,270	19.7	1.1	4.0
Industries Qatar	12.90	3.61	18.68	78,045	24.2	2.3	2.6
Qatari Investors Group	2.56	(3.88)	41.08	3,177	33.4	1.1	2.3
Qatar Electricity and Water	16.64	1.09	(6.78)	18,304	15.1	1.8	3.8
Aamal	0.99	1.86	15.56	6,224	56.5	0.8	4.0
Gulf International Services	1.46	(1.08)	(14.69)	2,719	N/A	0.8	N/A
Mesaieed Petrochemical Holding	1.90	0.80	(7.18)	23,870	28.0	1.5	2.1
Invesment Holding Group	1.14	7.22	90.82	949	43.2	1.1	N/A
Qatar Aluminum Manufacturing	1.66	(1.48)	71.66	9,263	44.8	1.6	2.1
Industrials				147,198			
Qatar Insurance	2.49	(0.80)	5.42	8,133	35.1	1.0	N/A
QLM Life & Medical Insurance	5.14	1.78	#N/A N/A	1,799	N/A	N/A	N/A
Doha Insurance	1.99	1.12	42.89	995	14.2	0.9	5.0
Qatar General Insurance & Reinsurance	2.30	(4.77)	(13.72)	2,008	12.0	0.4	
Al Khaleej Takaful Insurance	4.54	6.58	138.94	1,158	34.0	2.1	1.1
Qatar Islamic Insurance	7.82	1.60	13.38	1,173	15.7	3.0	4.2
Insurance	1 65	(0.05)	(5.50)	15,266	010	0.5	2.6
United Development	1.56	(0.95)	(5.50)	5,538	24.8	0.5	
Barw a Real Estate	3.27	4.04	(3.85)	12,724	10.5	0.6	
Ezdan Real Estate	1.76	(0.79)	(0.79)	46,737	120.1	1.4	
Mazaya Qatar Real Estate Development	1.16	(0.60)	(7.92)	1,346	43.3	1.1	2.6
Real Estate	C 00		(0.04)	66,346	24.4	4.0	
Ooredoo	6.90	(2.06)	(8.24)	22,102	24.4	1.0	
Vodafone Qatar	1.76	(0.57)	31.14	7,423	36.2	1.7	2.8
Telecoms	7 4 4	(5.40)	0.05	29,525	440.0	0.0	4.0
Qatar Navigation (Milaha)	7.11	(5.19)	0.25	8,144	113.3	0.6	
Gulf Warehousing	5.12	1.03 2.94	0.35	300	12.8 14.9	1.6 2.4	
Qatar Gas Transport (Nakilat) Transportation	3.12	2.94	(1.89)	17,286 25 729	14.9	2.4	3.5
•				25,729			
Qatar Exchange				624,191			

Source: Bloomberg

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