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Market Review

For the week ended Apr 28th, 2025

- The local equities market rebounded strongly last week, as the NGX All Share Index (NGXASI) advanced by 1.45% week-on-week (WoW) to close at 105,753.05 points, pushing the year-to-date (YtD) return to 2.75%. The rally was driven by notable gains in ZENITHBANK (+5.68% WoW), NB (+7.73% WoW), GTCO (+6.78% WoW), ACCESSCORP (+7.69% WoW), FIRSTHOLDCO (+1.63% WoW), FIDELITYBK (+4.16% WoW), and UBA (+5.92% WoW). These gains outweighed selling pressures in laggards such as VFDGROUP (-82.19% WoW), following its dividend markdown, DANGCEM (-10.00% WoW), and FCMB (-1.62% WoW).
- Across the sectors, performance was broadly positive, with the NGXBNK (+5.06% WoW), NGXINS (+7.30% WoW), and NGXCNSMRGDS (+8.57% WoW) closing in the green. While NGXOILGAS (-0.07% WoW) and NGXINDUSTR (-3.43% WoW) closed in the negative territoty.
- Meanwhile, market activity strengthened, as total volume and value traded rose by 46.10% WoW and 55.99% WoW, respectively. INTBREW (+40.00% WoW) topped the gainers' chart, while VFDGROUP (-82.16% WoW) led the laggards' list for the week.

The Week That Was (A Review)

Market Preview

For the week commencing Apr 28th, 2025

- We expect the positive sentiment to extend into this week, supported by sustained buying interest following the ongoing release of Q1:2025 earnings results, which are likely to fuel investor optimism.
- The relatively stable macroeconomic environment, particularly the moderation in exchange rate volatility, should bolster the performance of Industrial Goods and Consumer Goods stocks.
- We do not rule out the possibility of profit-taking activities, particularly in stocks that rallied strongly in the previous week, as investors who have broken even may seek to lock in gains.
- selloffs, driving a bullish close for the week.

Prev. Week

WoW

Overall, we anticipate that buying activities will outweigh

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NGXASI [pts]	105,7	53.05	104,242.40	+1.45%
Market Cap [NGN'trn]	65.	06	64.11	+1.48%
Market Cap [USD'bn]	40.	94	40.07	+1.48%
Volume Traded [bn]	2.2	22	1.52	+46.10%
Value Traded [NGN'bn]	66.	94	42.91	+55.99%
Sectoral Indices	WtD	MtD	QtD	YtD
NGXASI	1.45%	0.08%	-1.35%	1.28%
NGX-30	1.31%	-0.20%	-0.20%	2.70%
NGXBNK	5.06%	-2.62%	-2.62%	4.15%
NGXCNSMRGDS	8.57%	9.50%	9.50%	14.82%
NGXOILGAS	-0.07%	-1.53%	-1.53%	-10.73%
NGXINS	7.30%	-4.13%	-4.13%	-6.73%
NGXINDSTR	-3.43%	-3.90%	-3.90%	-6.11%
MERI-TELCO	0.43%	3.50%	0.43%	3.50%
MERI-AGRIC	4.65%	9.46%	4.65%	9.46%

Cur. Week

NGAINS	7.30%	-4.13%	-4.13%	-6.73%
NGXINDSTR	-3.43%	-3.90%	-3.90%	-6.11%
MERI-TELCO	0.43%	3.50%	0.43%	3.50%
MERI-AGRIC	4.65%	9.46%	4.65%	9.46%
Top Traded by Value (NGN)		Top Trade	ed by Volume	
MTNN	12,175,391,791.00	FIDELITY		505,150,593.00
FIDELITYBK	10,037,650,758.10	ACCESSCOR	P	158,222,575.00
GTCO	8,293,347,116.80	GTCO		134,499,395.00
ACCESSCORP	3,711,877,977.20	UNIVINSUR	E	99,122,945.00
ZENITHBANK	3,455,179,850.90	ZENITHBAN	К	76,067,104.00
Highest Gainers	%	Highest	Losers	%
INTBREW	40.00%	VFDGROUP		-82.19%
NASCON	26.22%	JOHNHOLT		-18.60%
AFRIPRUD	25.64%	DANGCEM		-10.00%
VITAFOAM	21.00%	TRIPPLEG		-10.00%
IKEJAHOTEL	20.91%	HMCALL		-9.96%
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Banks												
ACCESSCORP	13%	17%	12.05	1.98x	0.34x	28.15	20.45	-0.21%	31.08	23.80	+30.58%	BUY
ETI	21%	26%	40.11	0.80x	0.21x	34.70	26.85	+14.29%	33.13	32.00	+3.53%	HOLD
FCMB	9%	11%	3.70	2.46x	0.26x	12.00	9.00	-3.19%	13.77			BUY
FIDELITYBK	27%	31%	8.69	2.31x	0.71x	20.85	16.75	+14.57%	22.32		+11.30%	BUY
FIRSTHOLDCO	21%	24%	18.86	1.33x	0.32x	29.50	23.75	-10.87%	38.21			BUY
G TCO	47%	11%	29.81	2.11x	0.22x	69.60	56.20	+10.53%	68.38		+8.53%	HOLD
JAIZBANK	32%	60%	0.66	5.04x	3.05x	3.65	2.90	+11.67%	4.16		+24.12%	
STANBIC	34%	32%	18.41	3.22x	1.02x	71.45	58.00	+2.%	66.84			
STERLINGNG	11%	16%	1.13	4.70x	0.73x	6.30	4.82	-5.36%	8.70			
UBA	24%	22%	23.80	1.43x	0.32x	39.30	31.30	0.00%	55.79		+64.08%	
WEMABANK	21%	34%	6.91	1.79x	0.61x	12.35	9.10	+35.71%	13.17		+6.64%	HOLD
ZENITHBANK	26%	26%	32.89	1.41x	0.36x	52.00	44.00	+2.20%	63.79		+37.18%	
Insurance												
AIICO	9%	21%	0.37	4.30x	0.91x	1.93	1.30	+11.89%	2.24	1.60	+39.69%	BUY
LASACO	7%	14%	0.93	2.30x	0.33x	4.09	1.92	-30.74%	4.22	2.14	+97.24%	BUY
MANSARD	20%	49%	2.89	3.03x	1.49x	9.87	7.65	+6.71%	10.08	8.75	+15.22%	BUY
NEM	25%	43%	2.12	7.07x	3.06x	15.00	11.80	+36.99%	14.50	15.00	-3.33%	HOLD
WAPIC	20%	26%	0.41	5.02x	1.28x	2.98	1.77	-8.00%	3.34	2.07	+61.28%	BUY

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	Fundan	nentals		Trailing Market			t Perforn	nance		Valuat	tion	
	NM	ROE	EPS	P/E	P/BV	Yr Hi	Yr Lo	Ytd Ret	TP	СР	UPP	RT
Energy												
CONOIL	3.52%	27.04%	16.41	20.18x	5.46x	387.20	331.20	-14.46%	409.50	331.20	+23.64%	BUY
ETERNA	1.43%	-7.52%	3.44	11.61x	0.87x	48.70	24.30	+64.20%	28.28	33.00	-29.12%	SELL
MRS	2.07%	12.46%	19.92	7.91x	0.98x	217.80	157.50	-27.69%	274.70	157.50	+74.41%	BUY
SEPLAT	12.97%	7.57%	364.10	15.66x	1.19x	5,700.00	5,700.00	0.00%	6,580.62	5,700.00	+15.45%	BUY
TOTAL	2.64%	36.62%	80.99	8.71x	3.19x	745.00	630.00	+1.00%	945.49	705.00	+234.11%	BUY
TRANSCORP	23.06%	34.63%	9.26	4.64x	1.61x	61.00	39.75	-1.15%	82.04	43.00	+90.78%	BUY
ARADEL	44.58%	18.45%	247.07	8.33x	1.54x	598.00	497.00	-16.89%	856.83	497.00	+72.40%	BUY
Telecoms												
MTNN	-11.92%	-87.43%	-476.71	-0.51x	-0.44x	264.20	200.00	+21.00%	309.63	255.50	+21.19%	BUY
AIRTELAFRI	4.62%	10.25%	125.16	17.23x	1.77x	2,156.90	2,156.90	0.00%	2,610.58	2,156.90	+21.03%	BUY
NM= Net Marg	gin			Yr Lo= `	Year Low							

ROE=Return on Equity YtD Ret= Year-to-Date Return

Lev=Leverage *TP calculated with EV/EBITDA multiple

TP=Target Price EPS=Earnings Per Share

BVP= Book Value Per Share CP= Current Price UPP=Upside Potential

P/E=Price-to-Earnings P/BV=Price-to-Book Value RT= Rating

UR=Under Review Yr Hi= Year High Data in the Fundamental columns are based on trailing performance.

The following stocks have been removed due to their suspension from the NGX;

	Stoc	ks you s	should have	e in your	Portfolio					
Ticker	Current Price	Target Price	Upside Potential	10-Day RSI	Rationale					
ZENITHBANK	46.50	63.79	+37.18%	47.54	ZENITHBANK is priced below our target price of NGN63.79, presenting an upside potential and indicating strong capital appreciation prospects. Also, following a weekly gain of 5.68%, we expect buying momentum to persist. Thus, we recommend a BUY .					
STERLINGNG	5.30	8.70	+64.14%	51.57	STERLINGNG presents a potential gain of 64.14%, currently trading below our target price of NGN8.70. Also, with its RSI at 51.57, the stock appears to be in the neutral zone, suggesting a possible breakout. In our view, this represents an attractive entry point, and as such, we recommend a BUY.					
TRANSCORP	43.00	82.04	+90.78%	43.78	TRANSCORP is currently trading below our target price of NGN82.04, indicating meaningful growth potential. Also, we anticipate a stellar performance from the group's earnings, following an impressive outcome from one of its subsidiaries (that recorded a 62.05% YoY growth in bottom line). As such, we expect a buying momentum this week and thus, maintain a BUY rating on the stock					

Definition of Terms

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Tickers that moved from - SELL/HOLD to BUY/HOLD

TICKER	TP	СР	UPP	Prev. RT	New RT	Rationale
BERGER	16.46	17.85	-7.78%	SELL	HOLD	Owing to a 5.31% weekly loss, BERGER 's downside potential reduced to 7.78%, compared to 12.67% the prior week. Accordingly, we revise our rating on the ticker from a SELL to a HOLD .

Tickers that moved from - HOLD/BUY to SELL/HOLD

TICKER	TP	СР	UPP	Prev. RT	New RT	Rationale
ETI	33.13	32.00	+3.53%	BUY	HOLD	Following a 9.40% weekly gain, ETI's upside potential narrowed to 3.53%, from our target price of NGN33.13. Hence, we revise our rating on the ticker from a BUY to a HOLD.
GTCO	68.38	63.00	+8.53%	BUY	HOLD	GTCO currently trades at NGN63.00 after a 6.78% WoW decline the previous week. This offers a 8.53% upside to our NGN68.38 target price. Thus, we review our recommendation on the ticker from a BUY to a HOLD
WEMA	21.00	12.35	+6.64%	BUY	HOLD	WEMA closed at NGN12.35 last week, marking a 3.35% WoW gain. While our target price of NGN21.00 implies a 6.64% potential upside, the recent price appreciation narrows the near-term margin. Thus, we review our rating on the ticker from a BUY to a HOLD.
NEM	14.50	15.00	-3.33%	BUY	HOLD	NEM currently trades at NGN15.00 following a 16.28% WoW increase from the previous week. This exceeds our target price of NGN14.50. Thus, we revise our recommendation on the ticker from a BUY to a HOLD
WAPCO	81.95	81.00	+1.18%	BUY	HOLD	WAPCO currently trades at NGN81.95 after a 13.29% WoW increase from the previous week. This reduced the upside potential on the ticker to 1.18% from our NGN81.95 target price. Thus, we revise our rating on the ticker to a HOLD, from a BUY.
NASCON	40.54	52.95	-23.44%	HOLD	SELL	NASCON surged 26.22% WoW to close at NGN52.95, now trading at a 23.44% premium to our target price of NGN40.54. With the stock above our fair value estimate, we downgrade our rating from HOLD to SELL .

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Events To Look Out For This Week

Upcoming Closure Dates

Company	Dividend Declared	Bonus	Dividend Yield	Interim/Final	Declaration Date	Qualification Date	Closure Date
NEM	1.00	Nil	6.67%	2024Final	31-Mar-25	25-Apr-25	28-Apr-25
UNILEVER	1.25	Nil	2.98%	2024Final	29-Mar-25	25-Apr-25	28-Apr-25
ACCESSCORP	2.05	nIL	8.61%	2024Final	16-Apr-25	29-Apr-25	30-Apr-25
CHAMPION	0.06	Nil	1.50%	2024Final	03-Mar-25	09-May-25	12-May-25
SEPLAT	54.61	Nil	0.96%	2024Final	04-Mar-25	09-May-25	12-May-25
SEPLAT	50.06	Nil	0.88%	2024Final	04-Mar-25	09-May-25	12-May-25

Upcoming Payment Dates

Company	Dividend Declared	Bonus	Dividend Yield	Interim/Final	Declaration Date	Qualification Date	Payment Date
FIDELITYBK	1.25	Nil	6.23%	2024Final	28-Mar-25	15-Apr-25	29-Apr-25
FIDELITIES	1.25	Nil	0.23/0	20241 11101	20-10101-23	13-Apr-23	29-Apr-23
ZENITHBANK	4.00	1411	8.60%	2024Final	26-Mar-25	15-Apr-25	29-Apr-25
FCMB	0.55	Nil	6.04%	2024Final	04-Apr-25	16-Apr-25	29-Apr-25
VFDGROUP	2.50	1 for 5	14.62%	2024Final	03-Apr-25	22-Apr-25	08-May-25
NASCON	2.00	Nil	3.78%	2024Final	03-Mar-25	16-Apr-25	09-May-25
UNILEVER	1.25	Nil	2.98%	2024Final	29-Mar-25	25-Apr-25	12-May-25

Upcoming AGM Dates

Company	Dividend Declared	Bonus	Dividend Yield	Interim/Final	Declaration Date	Qualification Date	AGM Date
		Nil					
FIDELITYBK	1.25		6.23%	2024Final	28-Mar-25	15-Apr-25	29-Apr-25
		Nil					
ZENITHBANK	4.00		8.60%	2024Final	26-Mar-25	15-Apr-25	29-Apr-25
		Nil					
FCMB	0.55		6.04%	2024Final	04-Apr-25	16-Apr-25	29-Apr-25
		1 for 5					
VFDGROUP	2.50		14.62%	2024Final	03-Apr-25	22-Apr-25	08-May-25
		Nil					
NASCON	2.00		3.78%	2024Final	03-Mar-25	16-Apr-25	08-May-25
		Nil					
UNILEVER	1.25		2.98%	2024Final	29-Mar-25	25-Apr-25	09-May-25

CORPORATE BENEFIT TRIGGER

Dividends Declared in 2025

Company	Dividend Declared	Bonus	Dividend Yield	Interim/Fin al	Declaratio n Date	Qualification Date	Closure Date	Payment Date	AGM Date
ACCESSCORP	2.05	nIL	8.61%	2024Final	16-Apr-25	29-Apr-25	30-Apr-25	15-May-25	15-May-25
AFRIPRUD	0.60	1 for 1	3.50%	2024Final	08-Mar-25		-	31-Mar-25	_
AIICO	0.07	Nil	4.38%	2024Final	31-Mar-25	21-May-25	22-May-25	27-May-25	27-May-25
BUACEMENT	2.05	Nil	2.45%	2024Final	28-Feb-25	08-Aug-25	11-Aug-25	28-Aug-25	28-Aug-25
BUAFOODS	13.00	Nil	3.11%	2024Final	29-Mar-25	21-Aug-25	22-Aug-25	25-Sep-25	25-Sep-25
CHAMPION	0.06	Nil	1.50%	2024Final	03-Mar-25	09-May-25	12-May-25	21-May-25	TBA
DANGCEM	30.00	Nil	6.94%	2024Final	03-Mar-25	09-Jun-25	10-Jun-25	23-Jun-25	23-Jun-25
ETRANZACT	0.13	Nil	2.17%	2024Final	29-Mar-25	07-Jul-25	08-Jul-25	24-Jul-25	02-Jul-25
FCMB	0.55	Nil	6.04%	2024Final	04-Apr-25	16-Apr-25	17-Apr-25	29-Apr-25	29-Apr-25
FIDELITYBK	1.25	Nil	6.23%	2024Final	28-Mar-25	15-Apr-25	16-Apr-25	29-Apr-25	29-Apr-25
FIDSON	1.00	Nil	5.38%	2024Final	02-Apr-25	11-Jul-25	14-Jul-25	01-Aug-25	31-Jul-25
GEREGU	8.50	Nil	0.74%	2024Final	30-Jan-25	13-Mar-25	14-Mar-25	28-Mar-25	28-Mar-25
GTCO	7.03	Nil	11.16%	2024Final	28-Mar-25	15-Apr-25	16-Apr-25	24-Apr-25	24-Apr-25
HMCALL	0.07	Nil	1.49%	2024Final	13-Feb-25	31-Mar-25	01-Apr-25	25-Apr-25	24-Apr-25
JBERGER	3.25	Nil	2.37%	2024Final	27-Mar-25	30-May-25	02-Jun-25	20-Jun-25	19-Jun-25
MECURE	0.15	Nil	1.35%	2024Final	28-Feb-25	18-Apr-25	21-Apr-25	TBA	TBA
NASCON	2.00	Nil	3.78%	2024Final	03-Mar-25	16-Apr-25	16-Apr-25	09-May-25	08-Mav-25
NEM	1.00	Nil	6.67%	2024Final	31-Mar-25	·	·	20-May-25	,
NGXGROUP	2.00	Nil	5.56%	2024Final	28-Feb-25	·	14-Mar-25	·	
		Nil							
OKOMUOIL	26.00	Nil	4.96%	2024Final	02-Apr-25	·	·	22-May-25	,
SEPLAT	54.61	Nil	0.96%	2024Final	04-Mar-25	•	,	23-May-25	
SEPLAT	50.06	Nil	0.88%	2024Final	04-Mar-25	09-May-25	12-May-25	23-May-25	TBA
STANBIC	3.00	Nil	5.07%	2024Final	28-Mar-25	11-Apr-25	14-Apr-25	16-May-25	15-May-25
TOTAL	40.00	Nil	5.67%	2024Final	28-Mar-25	22-Apr-25	23-Apr-25	16-May-25	16-May-25
TRANSCOHOT	0.74	Nil	0.51%	2024Final	TBA	ТВА	TBA	TBA	TBA
TRANSCORP	0.60		1.40%	2024Final	08-Mar-25	27-Mar-25	28-Mar-25	16-Apr-25	09-Apr-25
TRANSPOWER	3.50	Nil	0.96%	2024Final	ТВА	ТВА	TBA	ТВА	ТВА
UACN	0.22	Nil	0.67%	2024Final	29-Mar-25	21-May-25	22-May-25	05-Jun-25	04-Jun-25
UBA	3.00	Nil	8.82%	2024Final	20-Mar-25	11-Apr-25	14-Apr-25	25-Apr-25	25-Apr-25
UCAP	0.50	Nil	2.75%	2024Final	12-Mar-25	14-Mar-25	17-Mar-25	04-Apr-25	04-Apr-25
UNILEVER	1.25	Nil	2.98%	2024Final	29-Mar-25	25-Apr-25	28-Apr-25	12-May-25	09-May-25
VFDGROUP	2.50	1 for 6	14.62%	2024Final	03-Apr-25	·	·	08-May-25	-
VITAFOAM	1.05	Nil	2.34%	2024Final	07-Mar-25	·	·	07-Mar-24	·
		Nil							
WAPCO	1.20	Nil	1.48%	2024Final	28-Feb-25		·	25-Apr-25	·
WAPCO	4.00	Nil		2025 Interim	24-Apr-25	·		20-May-25	
ZENITHBANK	4.00		8.60%	2024Final	26-Mar-25	15-Apr-25	16-Apr-25	29-Apr-25	29-Apr-25



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