



## MARKET OVERVIEW

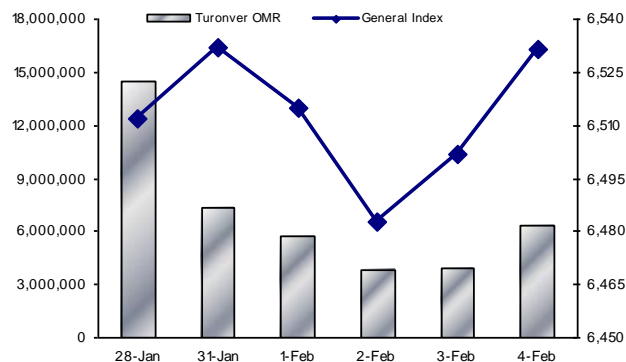
MSM stocks remained volatile during the week, and closed marginally higher compared to the closing levels of previous week. The broader market benchmark MSM30 general index closed at 6,531.31 points, up by 19.4 points or 0.29% during the week. The index touched an intraweek low of 6467.41 and the recovery was mainly supported by Bank Muscat shares. The market has entered into the second phase of results season and not many results were announced during the week ended 04 February 2010.

Unlike the previous week, MSM stocks witnessed buying interest from regional investors. The GCC investors were net buyers for RO 1.05 million shares followed by domestic investors for RO 692K worth of shares. Foreign fund outflow did not show any signs of a slow down. Foreign and Arab investors remained as net sellers for RO 1.75 million worth of shares in MSM.

None of the sector indices could outperform the MSM30 index. Two out of the three sector indices ended the week in green while Services Sector Index was pulled down by 1.87%. Banking and Investment Index increased by 0.21% while the Industry index rose by 0.20%.

Absence of major news during the week combined with investor risk aversion affected the trading activities in a negative manner. Total market turnover during the week came down to RO 27.14mn, down by 25.4% as compared the previous week, volume traded declined by 21.6% to reach 57.30mn as compared to the previous week. A total of 12,461 trades were executed by the end of the week. Market Capitalization stood at RO 9.30bn and was up by 0.52% as compared to the previous week. A total of 67 companies traded during the week, of which 25 closed in positive territory, 26 declined and 16 remained unchanged. At the close of this week's session, shares of Oman International Bank topped the gainers list while Bank Muscat was the top active in terms of volume traded as well as total turnover.

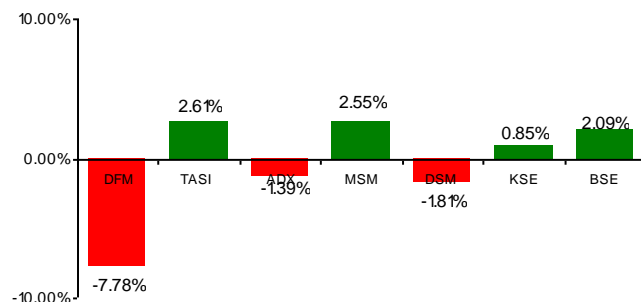
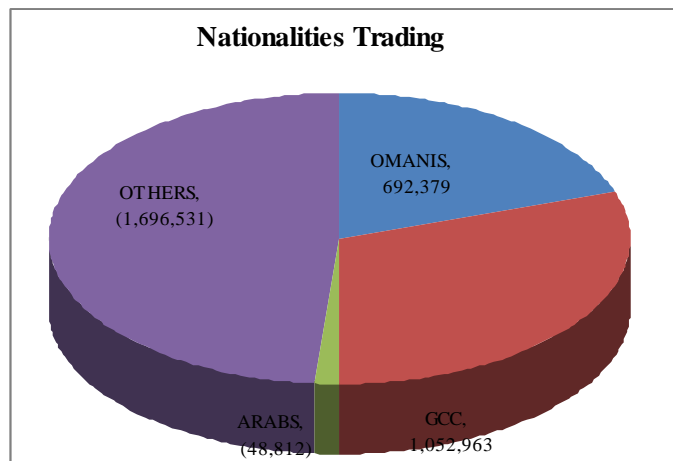
Earnings season entered the second phase and recorded relatively low activity during the week. Companies started announcing dividends for FY2009 and stocks with good yields are attracting investor attention as evident from the gains in Oman international bank shares. The market is still looking for results from major companies in the Service as well as Investment Sectors.



## Market Summary

Index	Value	Change %	PE	P/BV	Div.%
MSM30 Index	6,531.310	▲ 0.30%	10.99	2.12	4.08%
Banks & Investment Index	9,425.920	▲ 0.21%	14.36	1.84	2.76%
Services & Insurance Index	2,582.730	▼ -1.87%	8.55	2.58	5.97%
Industry Index	7,292.160	▲ 0.20%	12.16	2.66	3.81%

	Current Week	Previous Week	Change %
Turnover RO:	27,141,989	36,406,845	▼ -25.4%
Volume:	57,304,555	73,162,613	▼ -21.6%
Trades	12,641	12,610	▲ 0.25%
Market Cap. RO bn	9.302	9.254	▲ 0.52%
	Up 25	Down 26	Unchanged 16





MSM 30 Index Stocks						
	CMP (RO)	PE	PBV	Dividend Yield (%)	Mkt Cap (RO.'000)	Market Index Weightage (%)
Ahli Bank	0.233	19.43	1.76	2.15%	158,082	3.04%
Al Anwar Holding	0.225	4.02	1.23	2.22%	24,750	0.45%
Bank Dhofar	0.776	20.43	2.78	2.00%	573,922	10.75%
Bank Muscat	0.972	9.73	1.48	2.06%	1,046,971	11.41%
Bank Sohar	0.227	25.23	2.15	0.00%	227,000	5.95%
Oman & Emirates Investment	0.222	33.39	1.20	0.00%	27,058	0.48%
National Bank of Oman	0.336	13.44	1.42	5.21%	363,216	7.26%
Oman International Bank	0.315	13.13	1.74	8.57%	287,674	8.09%
Oman Inv & Finance Co	0.293	6.37	1.98	3.79%	29,300	0.66%
OMINVEST	0.472	6.44	1.15	2.12%	94,400	2.40%
ONIC Holding	0.556	7.52	2.04	0.00%	87,459	1.39%
Trans-Gulf Industrial Investment	0.111	11.10	0.95	0.00%	6,938	0.27%
United Finance	0.128	25.60	1.00	7.81%	29,933	0.66%
<b>Banking and Investment Sector</b>	<b>0.000</b>	<b>14.36</b>	<b>1.84</b>	<b>2.76%</b>	<b>2,761,750</b>	<b>52.81%</b>
Al Jaziera Services	0.226	3.40	1.33	0.00%	25,249	0.78%
Al Maha Petroleum Products	10.250	11.33	2.46	4.88%	70,725	1.70%
Galfar Engineering & Contracting	0.464	10.55	1.57	4.31%	139,200	3.33%
Oman Fisheries	0.131	10.92	1.08	0.00%	16,375	0.50%
Oman Telecommunications	1.275	6.65	2.38	7.84%	956,250	9.49%
Port Services Corporation	0.620	9.50	1.76	8.06%	58,925	1.34%
Renaissance Services	0.783	10.91	1.60	1.28%	220,877	6.20%
Shell Oman	2.000	14.71	7.85	5.75%	200,000	4.41%
<b>Services and Insurance Sector</b>	<b>0.000</b>	<b>8.55</b>	<b>2.58</b>	<b>5.97%</b>	<b>1,787,650</b>	<b>27.76%</b>
Al Anwar Ceramics	0.410	9.12	2.63	0.00%	45,875	0.94%
Al Hassan Engineering	0.408	14.61	2.48	2.94%	30,686	0.46%
Al Jazeera Steel Products	0.283	40.43	1.20	2.47%	35,347	0.54%
Construction Materials Industry	0.102	12.76	0.79	0.00%	8,670	0.08%
Oman Cables	1.469	19.86	3.27	2.04%	131,770	2.14%
Oman Flour Mills	0.669	7.97	2.48	2.99%	105,368	2.06%
Oman Cement	0.715	10.34	1.81	3.08%	236,573	4.68%
Raysut Cement	1.626	10.11	3.18	6.15%	325,200	8.00%
Voltamp Energy	0.532	11.83	1.87	6.58%	26,600	0.54%
<b>Industry Sector</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12.16</b>	<b>2.66</b>	<b>3.81%</b>	<b>967,773</b>	<b>19.43%</b>
<b>INDEX TOTAL (Weight Adjusted)</b>		<b>10.99</b>	<b>2.12</b>	<b>4.08%</b>	<b>10,113,193</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

NA – Not Applicable

Top Gainers			
Company	Week's Close (OMR)	Previous Close (OMR)	Change %
OMAN CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES	0.110	0.100	10.00%
OMAN INTERNATIONAL BANK	0.315	0.296	6.42%
ONIC. HOLDING	0.556	0.523	6.31%
BANK MUSCAT	0.972	0.922	5.42%
OMAN PACKAGING	0.221	0.212	4.25%

Top Decliners			
Company	Week's Close (OMR)	Previous Close (OMR)	Change %
GALFAR ENGINEERING AND CON.	0.464	0.526	-11.79%
BANK DHOFAR	0.776	0.828	-6.28%
OMAN AND EMIRATES INV. OM	0.222	0.235	-5.53%
DHOVAR CATTLE FEED	0.236	0.249	-5.22%
AL JAZEERA SERVICES	0.226	0.237	-4.64%

Most Active in Volume			
Company	Week's Close (OMR)	Traded Volume	% of Total Volume
BANK MUSCAT	0.972	7,700,705	13.44%
ONIC. HOLDING	0.556	4,692,766	8.19%
GLOBAL FINANCIAL INVESTMENT	0.100	3,982,715	6.95%
AL ANWAR HOLDING	0.225	3,959,650	6.91%
OMAN AND EMIRATES INV. OM	0.222	3,298,460	5.76%

Most Active in Turnover			
Company	Week's Close (OMR)	Traded Turnover (OMR)	% of Total Turnover
BANK MUSCAT	0.972	7,383,547	27.20%
ONIC. HOLDING	0.556	2,577,479	9.50%
RAYSUT CEMENT	1.626	1,806,580	6.66%
OMAN CEMENT	0.715	1,557,200	5.74%
OMAN TELECOMMUNICATION	1.275	1,554,063	5.73%
GALFAR ENGINEERING AND CON.	0.464	1,323,635	4.88%