

Nifty signals a weak start; US markets gains, Asia falls**Morning Market Snapshot – 02 Apr 2026 (Thursday)**

- Indian equity benchmarks are expected to open on a weak note on April 2, tracking subdued cues from Nifty, which was trading lower around the 22,385 mark.
- In the previous session, the market snapped its two-day losing streak and ended the first day of the new series on a strong footing, supported by easing concerns over geopolitical tensions between the US and Iran.
- On Wednesday, the 30-share benchmark index ended at 73134.32 up by 1186.77 points or by 1.65 % and then NSE Nifty was at 22679.4 up by 348 points or by 1.56 %.
- On the global front, Asia-Pacific markets erased early gains after Trump said that the US would hit Iran hard in the next two to three weeks, which poured water on hopes of an early ceasefire in the Middle East.
- Trump also said that the discussion is on with Tehran, and the war may not last long. The mixed messages further unnerved traders.
- Japan's Nikkei 225 and South Korea's Kospi were trading 1.33 per cent and 2.61 per cent down, respectively. Overnight, the US share indices settled with gains as investors were hoping that the war involving the US, Israel, and Iran might end soon. The S&P 500 and the Dow Jones Industrial Average ended 0.72 per cent and 0.48 per cent higher, respectively. The Nasdaq Composite ended 1.16 per cent higher.
- Back home, Top traded Volumes on NSE Nifty – HDFC Bank Ltd. 78862761.00, Tata Steel Ltd. 35813622.00, Eternal Ltd. 34530655.00, Oil And Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. 31626297.00, ICICI Bank Ltd. 25472333.00, On NSE, total number of shares traded was 541.75 Crore and total turnover stood at Rs. 127242.24 Crore.
- On NSE Future and Options, total number of contracts traded in index futures was 230291 with a total turnover of Rs. 34738.49 Crore. Along with this total number of contracts traded in stock futures were 1376185 with a total turnover of Rs. 84220.03 Crore. Total numbers of contracts for index options were 44750217 with a total turnover of Rs. 6731229.15 Crore. and total numbers of contracts for stock options were 4385674 with a total turnover of Rs. 280279.60 Crore.
- The FII's on 30/03/2026 stood as net buyer in equity and debt. Gross equity purchased stood at Rs. 22117.36 Crore and gross debt purchased stood at Rs. 1096.23 Crore, while the gross equity sold stood at Rs. 26082.07 Crore and gross debt sold stood at Rs. 168.04 Crore. Therefore, the net investment of equity and debt reported were Rs. -3964.71 Crore and Rs. 928.19.

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