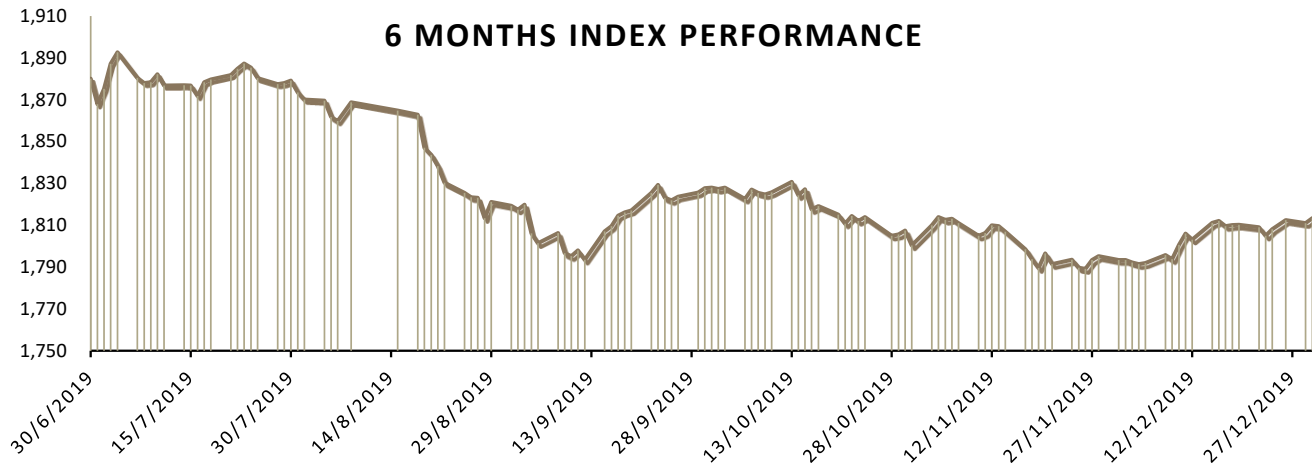


	Close	% Change	Year-to-Date (YTD)	Daily Volume (shares)	Daily Turnover (JOD)
AMMAN SE GENERAL INDEX	1,813.36	0.13%	-5.00%	3,145,398	3,460,513



Best Performing Companies

	% Change
ARAB ALUMINIUM INDUSTRY	7.19
BARTER CO FOR INVESTMENT & T	5.26
BABELON INVESTMENTS CO PLC	3.81
TUHAMA FOR FINANCIAL INVESTM	3.23
JORDAN DECAPOLIS PROPERTIES	3.13

Worst Performing Companies

	% Change
COMPREHENSIVE LAND DEVELOPM	(3.13)
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	(3.23)
AMAD INVESTMENT & REAL ESTAT	(3.85)
AL-MANARA INSURANCE	(4.35)
ARABIAN STEEL PIPES	(5.19)

Top Traded Companies by Volume (Shares)

UNION INVESTMENT CORP	344,591
UNION LAND DEVELOPMENT CORP	288,610
AL ENTKAEYA FOR INVESTMENT	280,917
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	207,590
ARAB UNION INTL INSURANCE	196,246

Top Traded Companies by Value (JOD)

UNION LAND DEVELOPMENT CORF	432,778
UNION INVESTMENT CORP	408,347
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	313,836
ARAB UNION INTL INSURANCE	251,597
AMMOUN INTERNATIONAL FOR IN	249,837

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Nuclear energy vital in Jordan energy strategy — IAG report

Jordan must retain nuclear energy in its energy strategy for the mid- and long-term, the International Advisory Group (IAG) “strongly” recommended in a summary report of its fourth meeting. Nuclear energy is low-carbon and an important component of energy security and long-term price stability for any nation. For nuclear energy, long-term fuel supplies can be maintained onsite, thereby providing energy independence, the report, a copy of which was made available to The Jordan Times, said. The contribution of nuclear energy needs to be discussed and coordinated with Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources, the report said, adding that the ministry could benefit from the use of the IAEA’s energy planning/evaluation tools that include the nuclear option. “We anticipate that the need for global carbon emission reductions, which is already very strong, will become even more compelling with each passing year. Climate change is already with us. Extreme weather events are increasing in frequency, as Jordan has already experienced,” read the report. Looking at alternative energy sources, the report said that the use of oil shale and eventually natural gas may become increasingly challenging for Jordan’s industries in the future. The report cited studies at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) showing that reliance only on renewable energy and batteries will be prohibitively expensive, even if future battery costs are significantly reduced.

2019 waste management bill tops Lower House session

The Lower House on Sunday began discussions on the 2019 waste management draft law, which organises the administration of hazardous and non-hazardous waste and outlines procedures to transform waste into economic resources. As per the law, “waste management” includes reducing waste production, reuse, sorting from sources, accumulation, transport, storage, retrieval, treatment and final disposal, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported. The bill stipulates follow-up procedures for waste management facilities, but does not deal with radioactive wastes, gas emissions, wastewater and solid biological items resulting from treatment. The House endorsed forming a national steering committee for waste management to be headed by the minister of environment with the membership of the minister of local administration as deputy chair, as well as other stakeholders.

Apartment, land sales see uptick

The volume of apartment sales increased by 40 per cent to some 8,152 deals between October 21 and December 26, the Department of Land and Survey (DLS) announced on Sunday. The DLS spokesperson, Talal Zaben, said that the sales of land plots also increased, reaching 25,285 sales, showing an increase by 53 per cent in comparison with the same period in 2018. Zaben pointed out that the boost in sales is “directly linked” to the government’s recent stimulus package intended to improve the real estate market. He added that 31,115 sales of land parcels have been recorded since May 9, 2019, when the government decided to exempt real estate owners from registration and transfer fees, registering a 70-per cent increase in comparison with the same period in 2018, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported.

* Source: Bloomberg, Jordan Times, Zawya

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