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# Cognizance Monthly Market Outlook and Commentary

Asset Class	Benchmark	Latest Value	MTD (%)	YTD (%)
Equity				
India	Nifty 50	10830.95	-0.79%	-0.79%
US	S&P 500	2704.10	8.00%	8.00%
Europe	Euro Stoxx 50	3159.43	5.26%	5.26%
Japan	Nikkei 225	20773.49	3.79%	3.79%
China	Shanghai comp	2584.57	3.64%	3.64%
Bond				
India	10 yr G-Sec	7.28%	(0.09) bps	(0.09) bps
US	10 yr treasury	2.64%	(0.05) bps	(0.05) bps
		Others		
Bullion	Spot Gold USD/ oz	1321.25	3.02%	3.02%
Currency	USD/INR	71.09	-1.85%	-1.85%
Commodity	WTI Crude USD/ bbl	53.79	18.45%	18.45%



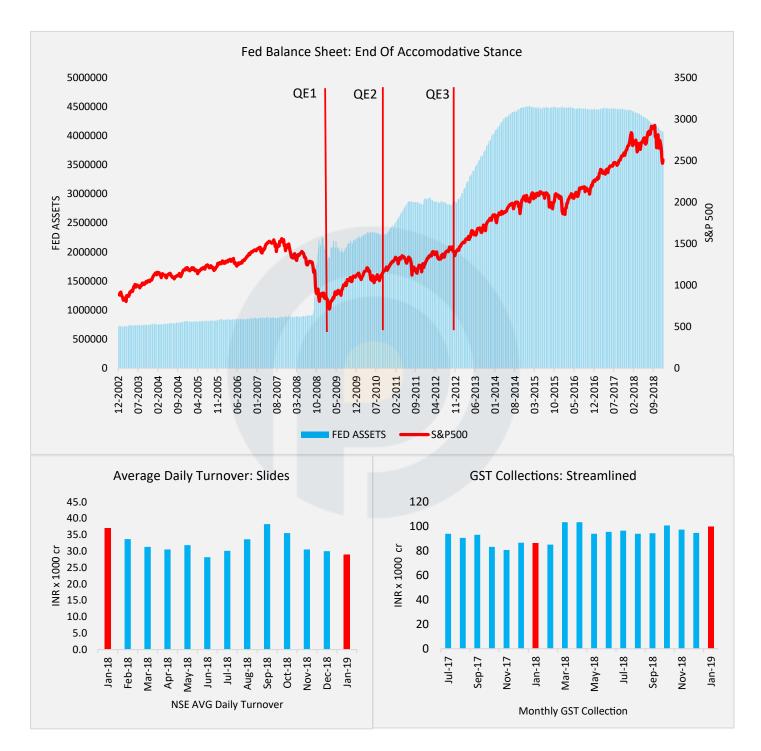
### **Market Commentary**

While the Nifty index remained flat during the month, Global indices witnessed recovery following the December rout. Macro issues surrounding Chinese growth, Brexit, Trade war, US shutdown, Crude prices remained in highlight. Third quarter numbers highlighted the stress in the NBFC sector as most lenders reported subdued numbers. Auto sales have also declined much lower than anticipated. Infra, FMCG, Banking were either in line or lower this time; leaving very few positive surprises. Scandals in large corporates such as Zee, ICICI and DHFL continued to add to the melancholy.

The Nifty index has displayed resilience despite all macro and micro level negatives. It continues to hover around the overvalued zone. As opposition parties pile up against the incumbent, investors will remain nervous until national elections. We continue in safe short-term debt instruments until tangible growth in earnings is evidenced or price declines to reasonable levels which will warrant a buy.



#### **Charts for the month**





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