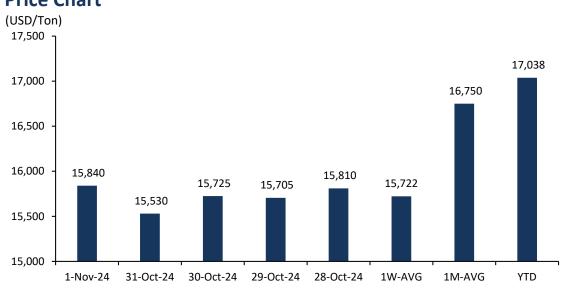
Nickel Weekly (04 November 2024): USD 15,722/ton (-2.8% WoW)







Recent Catalysts Driving the Price

- Between 28 Oct 01 Nov 2024, nickel prices fell to USD 15,722/ton (-2.8% WoW). While China showed signs of recovery in nickel ore demand, as indicated by the increase in China's nickel ore port inventory to 10.582 million wmt (+1.9% WoW), persistent oversupply caused by robust production from Indonesia and Australia continues to dampen nickel prices.
- In addition, pressure on NPI arises from weak downstream consumption, as declines in stainless steel prices and demand have widened the losses of steel mills, despite merchants offering discounts to stimulate transactions. Although NPI prices remain weak and mills have ample raw material inventories, steel mill operators remain cautious, resulting in muted market activity.
- We maintain our FY24 nickel price forecast at USD 16,900/ton (YTD: USD 17,038/ton) due to persistent pressure from oversupply and weak demand outlook. Stock-wise, we retain NCKL, supported by anticipated earnings growth from capacity expansion and industry-lowest cash cost, as our top pick with TP of IDR 1,200 (FY24 P/E: 8.4x).

Peer Comparables

Company Ticker	Rating	Market Cap. (IDR Tn)	Last Price (IDR)	Target Price (IDR)	2024F				
					EPS Gwt. (%)	PER (x)	PBV (x)	EV/EBITDA (x)	ROE (%)
MBMA IJ	N.R	58	540	N.R	563.0	35.1	2.3	16.4	6.4
NCKL IJ	BUY	56	885	1,200	(6.0)	10.2	2.1	8.0	21.5
INCO IJ	HOLD	40	3,800	4,000	(66.9)	27.0	0.9	6.8	3.4
ANTM IJ	BUY	37	1,520	1,800	(23.6)	16.4	1.3	10.0	7.9
HRUM IJ	SELL	16	1,200	1,100	(38.2)	12.0	1.2	5.3	7.6
Sector		207.0			136.9	21.7	1.7	10.3	10.3

Nickel Revenue Contribution 1H24, by Company

