

**SIC BROKERAGE LTD.***Your Preferred Stockbroker*

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**17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2023****WEEKLY CAPITAL MARKET REPORT****INVESTMENT TERM OF THE WEEK**

**Dividend Payout Ratio:** The dividend payout ratio is the ratio of the total amount of dividends paid out to shareholders relative to the net income of the company. It is the percentage of earnings paid to shareholders via dividends. The amount that is not paid to shareholders is retained by the company to pay off debt or to reinvest in core operations. It is sometimes simply referred to as simply the payout ratio. Several considerations go into interpreting the dividend payout ratio, most importantly the company's level of maturity. A new, growth-oriented company that aims to expand, develop new products, and move into new markets would likely reinvest most or all of its earnings and could be forgiven for having a low or even zero payout ratio.

**ETFs: GREAT DEAL FOR INVESTORS**

An exchange-traded fund (ETF) is a type of security that tracks an index, sector, commodity, or other assets, but which can be purchased or sold on a stock exchange the same as a regular stock.

New Gold ETF (GLD), an exchange-traded fund sponsored by Absa Capital, offers the opportunity to invest in gold bullion.

The company issues listed instruments (structured as debentures) backed by physical gold. Each debenture is approximately equivalent to 1/100 ounces of gold bullion, which is held with a secure depository on behalf of investors. The debentures are listed on the Ghana Stock Exchange (GSE) and six other African stock exchanges.

The current share price of New Gold ETF (GLD) is GH¢244.60

**EQUITY MARKET HIGHLIGHTS: The Ghana Stock Market closed 233.22 points higher over the week, returns 11.00% YTD.**

The GSE-Composite Index gained 9.41% while the GSE-Financial Stocks Index lost 1.57% over the week, bringing the year-to-date performance to 11.00% and -9.61% respectively. The market capitalization rose by 3.81% from the previous week to close at GH¢67.47 billion.

This week a total of twenty-five (25) equities traded with gains of GH¢15.60, GH¢0.96, GH¢0.61, GH¢0.31, GH¢0.20 and GH¢0.13 recorded by GLD, BOPP, UNIL, TOTAL, MTNGH and GGBL respectively. However, the week saw a decliner in SOGEGH which lost GH¢0.24.

A total of 4,321,668.00 shares cumulating to a value of GH¢7,342,586.43 were traded during the week. This week's data shows a 27.96% increase in volume traded as well as a 110.53% rise in trade turnover. GGBL traded the most with a value of GH¢2,999,799.89 representing 40.85% of the week's traded value.

**GSE EQUITY MARKET PERFORMANCE**

Indicator	Current Week	Previous Week	Change
GSE-Composite Index	2,712.75	2,479.53	233.22pts
YTD (GSE-CI)	11.00%	1.46%	653.42%
GSE-Financial Stock Index	1,855.33	1,884.87	-29.54pts
YTD (GSE-FSI)	-9.61%	-8.17%	17.63%
Market Cap. (GH¢ MN)	67,471.48	64,992.14	2479.34
Volume Traded	4,321,668.00	3,377,277.00	27.96%
Value Traded (GH¢)	7,342,586.43	3,487,641.41	110.53%

**TOP TRADED EQUITIES**

Ticker	Volume	Value (GH¢)
GGBL	2,000,083	2,999,799.89
MTNGH	1,977,351	2,369,487.60
GOIL	161,718	265,071.33
CAL	70,032	35,016
TOTAL	32,032	203,076.80



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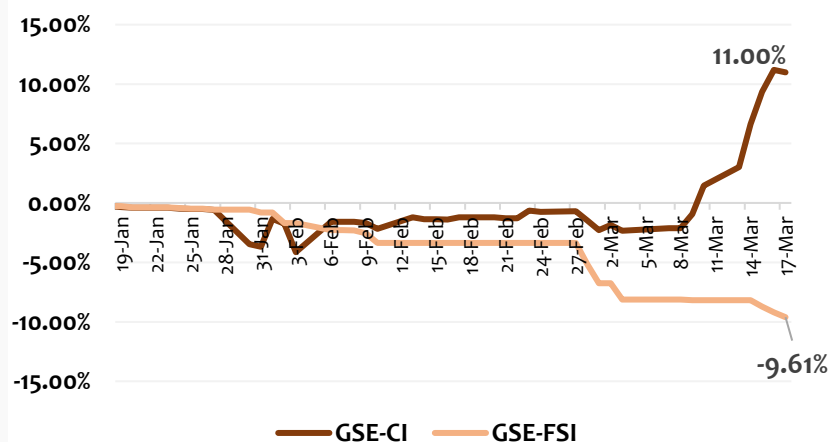
**40.85%****KEY ECONOMIC INDICATORS**

Indicator		Current	Previous
Monetary Policy Rate	January 2023	28.00%	27.00%
Real GDP Growth	September 2022	2.90%	4.80%
Inflation	February 2023	52.8%	53.6%

Source: GSS, BOG, GBA

**GAINERS & DECLINERS**

Ticker	Close Price (GH¢)	Open Price (GH¢)	Price Change (GH¢)	Y-t-D Change
GLD	244.60	229.00	15.60	12.30%
BOPP	10.61	9.65	0.96	38.69%
UNIL	3.60	2.99	0.61	-7.22%
TOTAL	6.36	6.05	0.31	59.00%
MTNGH	1.20	1.00	0.20	36.36%
GGBL	1.50	1.37	0.13	-26.83%
SOGEGH	0.66	0.9	-0.24	-34.00%

**GSE-CI & GSE-FSI YTD PERFORMANCE**

## SBL RECOMMENDED PICKS

Equity	Price	Opinion	Market Outlook
MTN GHANA	GH¢ 1.20	Strong 2022 Q3 Financials	↑ Higher Ask Price
BOPP	GH¢ 10.61	Strong 2022 Q3 Financials	— Low offers
CAL BANK	GH¢ 0.50	Strong 2022 Q3 Financials	— Available offers
ECOBANK	GH¢ 5.40	Strong 2022 Q3 Financials	— Bargain bids
SOGEGH	GH¢ 0.66	Strong 2022 Q3 Financials	— Low demand
FANMILK	GH¢ 1.80	Positive Sentiment	— Low demand

## EQUITY UNDER REVIEW:

### NEWGOLD (GLD)

Share Price	GH¢244.60
Price Change (YtD)	12.30%
Market Cap. (GH¢)	GH¢709.34 million
Dividend Yield	-
Earnings Per Share	-
Avg. Daily Volumes	1,717
Value Traded (YtD)	GH¢ 20,405,101.00








## SUMMARY OF FEBRUARY 2023 EQUITY MARKET

### ACTIVITIES

Indicator	February 2023	February 2022	% Change
GSE-CI YTD CHANGE	1.47%	-2.11%	-169.67%
GSE-CI	2,408.0	2,730.59	-11.81%
GSE-FSI YTD CHANGE	5.17%	-1.62%	-419.14%
GSE-FSI	1,946.57	2,116.98	-8.05%
VOLUME	6.14 M	31.11 M	-80.26%
VALUE (GH¢)	24.41 M	26.43 M	-7.64%
MKT. CAP. (GH¢M)	64,235.77	62,881.97	2.15%
ADVANCERS & DECLINERS	BOPP, TOTALUNIL, MTNGH,   ACCESS, GCB, GOIL, FML, CAL, SOGEGH, EGH, GLD, GGBL		







Source: Ghana Stock Exchange, SBL Research

## GSE AGAINST SELECTED AFRICAN STOCK MARKETS

Country	Current Level	YTD
 (Ghana) GSE-CI	2,712.75	11.00%
 (Botswana) BGSMD	7,875.81	1.93%
 (Egypt) EGX-30	14,704.18	-0.72%
 (Kenya) NSE ASI	103.41	-18.88%
 (Nigeria) NGSE ASI	54,935.20	7.19%
 (South Africa) JSE ASI	72,527.92	-0.71%
 (WAEMU) BRVM	206.10	1.42%




Source: Bloomberg

## CURRENCY MARKET

Currency	Closing Week	Previous Week	YTD Change
	(GH¢)	(GH¢)	%
 DOLLAR	11.0141	11.0138	-22.14%
 POUND	13.4031	13.1912	-23.06%
 EURO	11.7499	11.6757	-22.16%
 YEN	0.0834	0.0809	-22.14%
 YUAN	1.5989	1.5937	-22.47%
 CFA FRANC	55.8269	56.1814	28.47%

Source: Bank of Ghana

## COMMODITIES MARKET

Commodity	Closing Week	Previous Week	YTD (%)
 BRENT CRUDE OIL (US\$/bbl.)	73.11	82.67	-10.07%
 GOLD (US\$/oz)	1,972.91	1,864.30	9.84%
 COCOA (US\$/MT)	2,582.35	2,624.93	1.72%

Source: Bloomberg, Bullion by Post, ICCO

## JUSTIFICATIONS FOR INCLUDING STOCKS IN A PORTFOLIO

- Typically, stocks outperform all other investment options over a ten-year period making them a must for long term portfolio.
- They are excellent vehicles for retirement.
- Except for a few short periods, stocks have consistently outpaced the rate of inflation.

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