



## **DEMO MARKET REPORT & MARKET OUTLOOK – March 17, 2025**

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### **COMMENTARY**

**INDIA** – Festival of Colors being celebrated in India has resulted in a temporary slowdown to the improving prices seen in the semis and finished steel product over past couple of weeks. However, the positive sentiments in the local steel market are expected to continue. Local steel plate prices as well as local scrap prices continued at same levels as last week. Imported scrap prices increased by USD 7/MT this week. Ship recyclers continued to offer prices for fresh recycling tonnages at the same levels. There was a tanker vessel circulated this week but the prices offered by ship recyclers from India were substantially lower than that by ship recyclers in Bangladesh. Ship recyclers remain keen to buy fresh tonnages for recycling at their workable price levels. Lower than targeted inflation in February of 3.60% could result in another interest rate reduction shortly. The local currency continues to be under pressure against the US Dollar. Indian rupee has been worst performing currency amongst the emerging countries in 2025 so far. Interest rate reductions will help improve businesses and could help bring in the increased pace of economic growth. We could expect prices offered by ship recyclers to improve in the next two to three weeks' time.

**PAKISTAN** – The local steel market continues at its slow pace during the holy month of Ramadan. Prices of local scrap equivalent to shredded as well as prices of finished steel products continued at the same levels this week. After a few quick purchases of recycling candidates (*at higher than normal price levels*) by Ship recycling facilities pursuing HKC certification seen in the previous week, there have not been much activity on purchases of recycling tonnages this week. Prices offered by ship recyclers continued at the same levels. IMF has conveyed that the country is on track to receive disbursement of USD 1 billion loan out of USD 7 billion loan package. China has rolled over a USD 2 billion loan that was payable, by one more year giving a needed support to the country. Prices offered by ship recyclers are expected to continue at the same levels.

**BANGLADESH** – The local steel market continues at a slow pace and prices offered by ship recyclers continue at the same levels. Local steel plate prices improved marginally by USD 1/MT whereas local scrap prices have continued their improving trend seen over past seven weeks and this week local scrap prices have improved by USD 4/MT. Ship recyclers have been actively purchasing vessels for recycling over last two months. This can be seen in the tonnages being bought, wherein average monthly purchase of recycling tonnage for June 2024 to Dec 2024 was about 50,000 MT LDT whereas purchases in the first two months of 2025 have been about 100,000 MT LDT per month and they will likely reach 100,000 MT LDT for the month of March as



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well. Majority of the ship recycling yards have tonnages for recycling. In news this week has been a VLCC at its outer anchorage in Chattogram, that has been put under OFAC sanctioned list. Unlike India which has recently allowed OFAC sanctioned vessel to be recycled in its country, Bangladesh is being very cautious and may not allow such sanctioned vessels to be recycled in its country. Due to rising assets risks and worsening economic conditions, Moody's ratings has changed the country banking sector outlook from stable to negative. In view of low supply of fresh tonnages for recycling being seen, we would expect prices offered by ship recyclers to continue at the same levels for now.

**TURKEY** – Local steel market demand continues at the same levels but local steel prices have seen improvements. Local scrap prices continued at same levels and imported scrap prices increased by about USD 8/MT. Wire rod prices increased by USD 10/MT. It is noted that the price increases seen are due to increase in production costs rather than increase in demand. Prices offered by ship recyclers continued at the same levels this week. The country's central bank has been managing interest rate cuts carefully to ensure that it meets its targeted inflation rate of 24% from the present level of 39%. Even as local scrap prices are increasing, supply of recycling tonnages is good because of which it is less likely that prices offered by ship recyclers will increase.

**CHINA** – With effect from 1.1.2019, China has stopped accepting any foreign flagged ship for recycling as per directives from Government. Breakers now can only recycle local ships from China.

**SUPPLY** – The supply of tonnages for recycling continues to be slow and we are seeing tonnages from LNG, dry and tanker segment. We have not been seeing recycling candidates from container segment for some time.

**MARKET OUTLOOK** – All sizes in the tanker segment enjoyed good demand although VLCC could not see rates improvement unlike other sizes within the segment. The dry segment also enjoyed a good demand and rate increases across all sizes and there has been a good demand for secondhand vessels, off which many are Chinese buyers. The container segment is seeing strong demand both in charter market as well as secondhand market. The LNG segment has seen an

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improvement in spot rates but period charter rates are at the same levels. All these point to a slow supply for demolition tonnages. Trump's recessionary policies may however positively impact flow of tonnages of recycling in the second half of this year.

### MAIN DEMOLITION SALES DATA FOR 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025 – 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2025

Type	Name of Vessel	Built	DWT	LDT	Price	Remarks
LNG	Trader III	2002	75849	29101	496	Ctg
Bulker	Run Fu 6	1995	28249	6297	435	Dlvd, Indian Sub-com
RORO	Seaworld Marine	1997	5601	5541	396	As is Mokpo, South Korea

### MAIN DEMOLITION SALES DATA FOR PERIOD 1<sup>st</sup> March 2025 – 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2025

Type	Name of Vessel	Built	DWT	LDT	Price	Remarks
Bulker	Socal 9	1989	9588	3672		En-Bloc sale with Socal 10
Bulker	Socal 10	1988	9653	3681		En-Bloc sale with Socal 9
Bulker	Seawise	1995	24842	5588		Gadani
Pass/Car/Ferry	Kriti II	1979	5339	12920	279	
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## STATISTICS

### VESSELS AND QUANTITY LDT BEACHED IN INDIAN SUBCON – IN MAR 2025,2024, 2023.

Year	INDIA		BANGLADESH		PAKISTAN	
	Vessels	LDT – LT	Vessels	LDT – LT	Vessels	LDT – LT
Mar 2025	07	63,081	07	103,513	00	00
Mar 2024	05	69,057	07	42,124	06	58,423
Mar 2023	10	60,994	09	70,029	00	00

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### VESSELS AND QUANTITY LDT BEACHED IN INDIAN SUBCON – QUARTER 1 2025, 2024, 2023.

Year	INDIA		BANGLADESH		PAKISTAN	
	Vessels	LDT – LT	Vessels	LDT – LT	Vessels	LDT – LT
2025	27	336,983	25	291,350	01	5,040
2024	45	347,704	34	199,663	11	105,845
2023	28	183,096	34	191,527	05	81,638

INDIA

### - Indicative Price Levels for March in Current Year Vs Previous Years

Year	DRY		Container	WET	
	Cape / Pmx	Handymax		Others	VLCC
Mar 2025	435	445	470	450	425
Mar 2024	470	475	520	485	450
Mar 2023	525	530	580	545	505
Mar 2022	655	650	715	675	650

\*(a) (Prices LT/LDT, less 3% Add Comm)

### BANGLADESH - Indicative Price Levels for March in Current Year Vs Previous Years

Year	DRY		Container	WET	
	Cape / Pmx	Handymax		Others	VLCC
Mar 2025	465	455	490	480	460
Mar 2024	535	540	555	545	510
Mar 2023	575	565	630	615	585
Mar 2022	685	675	700	700	665

\*(a) (Prices LT/LDT, less 3% Add Comm)

### PAKISTAN - Indicative Price Levels for March in Current Year Vs Previous Years

Year	DRY		Container	WET	
	Cape / Pmx	Handymax		Others	VLCC
Mar 2025	455	445	490	475	455
Mar 2024	530	530	545	540	510
Mar 2023	555	560	620	620	595
Mar 2022	660	655	665	675	650

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### **TURKEY - Indicative Price Levels for Mar in Current Year Vs Previous Years**

Year	DRY	WET	CONTAINER
Mar 2025	280	290	300
Mar 2024	330	340	350
Mar 2023	330	340	350
Mar 2022	450	460	470

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