Chartist Talks: Nifty likely to trade between 24,400-25,200 this week, says JM Financial's Rahul Sharma

Technical charts suggests that while the overall trend in Bank Nifty remains sideways to bullish, a period of consolidation over the next few sessions is likely. Key support levels to watch are 55,000 and 54,400, said Rahul Sharma of JM Financial.

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The Nifty 50 is likely to stay confined within its six-week trading band of 24,400 to 25,200 this week, according to Rahul Sharma, Director and Head of Technical & Derivative Research at JM Financial Services. He attributes this cautious stance to weakening market breadth, as he shared in a conversation with Moneycontrol. Here are the edited excerpts

Do you strongly believe the broad range of 24,400-25,200, set over the last six weeks, will be breached by the Nifty 50 in current week?

The Nifty 50 is expected to remain within its six-week trading range of 24,400-25,200 in the current week. While brief intraday moves above 25,200 are possible, a sustained breakout is not anticipated.

This cautious outlook is primarily due to weakening market breadth. The number of Nifty constituents trading below their 20-day Simple Moving Average has significantly increased:

April 28th: 4 stocks out of 50

May 15th: 9 stocks May 26th: 11 stocks Currently: 21 stocks

For a definitive close above 25,200, a broader improvement in market breadth is crucial.

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The Bank Nifty is displaying greater relative strength compared to the Nifty 50, having already surpassed its September 26, 2024 high. However, after its recent robust rally, further consolidation is anticipated before a definitive breakout above the 57,050 level.

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Tata Consumer Products

The chart looks favourable, with the price respecting the strong support zone of Rs 1,050-1,060. This level also coincides with its 200-day Exponential Moving Average (EMA) and the 50% retracement of its March-April rally. For a 3-6-month investment horizon, consider accumulating in tranches with a stop-loss at Rs 1,010, and further additions above Rs 1,135 levels.

Mahindra and Mahindra

This stock has broken out from its channel consolidation, making it suitable for accumulation on dips. However, a significant resistance zone exists between Rs 3,221-3,250, which the price has faced four times previously. A decisive close above this range could lead to new highs.

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While Aeroflex Industries has shown good movement with volumes recently, the current market price (CMP) may not be an ideal entry point, I will look for dips towards the Rs 179-185 range where will again check charts to consider accumulating for potential targets of Rs 210-230.

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