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ABSTRACT

The study of Stock Market is one the most challenging as well as rewarding task for any financial analyst. Predictions about stock markets carry a lot of potential risk and can easily lead to a catastrophic loss of assets if a small factor is overlooked or not considered. There are many tools for studying past market trends and predicting the future market scenarios which takes in account all available data and tries to predict any highly probable future events. In this paper, attempt was made to analyze the relation between monthly closing price of NIFTY which is index of National Stock Exchange (NSE) of India and GOLD Price. The price points over the last 15 years were looked into and attempt was made to establish a relation between the two instruments. The Stock Market Index Price was marked against the price of gold and attempt was made to find out if there is any relation between them. The Karl Pearson's Correlation coefficient technique was used to find out exactly how precisely the prices are interdependent. The return rate provided by both over a short range of time as well as in the long span of time was also examined. After a thorough data collection, calculation and analysis, the paper concludes that, there is a strong positive correlation between the Stock Market Index Price and corresponding Price of GOLD over the larger time span of last 15 years. Though there have been instances where a negative correlation was also seen due to high uncertainty and fear factor of the investor's point of thinking towards stock market, however keeping in mind that the market crash during those period of times, they can be concluded as case studies. The detailed analysis of this paper also revealed that investing in NIFTY can provide short term benefits; however, in the long span of time horizon GOLD gives a much higher return on investment percentage compared to index NIFTY.

KEYWORDS

ROI, gold, nifty, inverse correlation.

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1. INTRODUCTION

his study is aiming at two variables, the stock market index price and Gold price as they have significant position within current era of economy and are highly weighty assets for investors in the financial market. Gold is considered an important and leading asset and commodity in the bullion market and industrial sectors, as well as a valuable personal property, an investment and saving tool, an exchange asset and a hedging asset against different critical situations. If stock market is the topic of discussion, its importance is indisputably unquestionable, in fact it is impossible to imagine a world without a stock market as it plays a pivotal role in the economy of any country, and helps towards the progress of the economy, and can cause a enormous damaging impression when not observed. The stock market can be divided into two main segments, primary market (Cash Market) and derivative market (Future & Options Segment). The stock markets and their movements are closely related to and affected by different economic indicators such as inflation, gross domestic product (GDP), jobless rate, consumer price index (CPI), producer price index (PPI), along with other indicators. Many investors choose to invest in the stock market as well as bullion market, in order to minimize or eliminate the systematic risk. It is also considered as insurance against risk to invest in gold as well, as in, using gold as a hedging tool. Because stock market is seen by the investors as a return of value whereas gold is considered as a store of value. There are two types of psychological emotions that run the instruments of the investment market which has association with risk, those two emotions or the psychological states of investors are known as greed and fear. It is generally said that when fear captures the stock market investors want to withdraw the money from individual stocks and invest in some a safer instrument like gold. In this paper attempt has been made to figure out whether there exists any type of correlation between the stock market index price and the gold price for mid to short time of 1 year time frame or in the longer time frame of 5, 10 or 15 years. In this paper analysis was made to figure out what would be the comparative return percentage of both the gold price and the stock market index return and will compare which instrument between these two will generate more return in a mid-term and long-term investment.

2. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this study are:

- 1. To examine whether stock market influences gold market price or not.
- 2. To find out the correlation between stock market index price and gold price in short term and in long term.
- 3. To check the long term correlation between stock market index price and gold price and short term correlation between the same.
- 4. To find out in mid to long time frame which instrument between gold and stock index generates more return and how much greater percentage.

3. RESEARCH GAP

Many previous studies focused on the relationship between stock market and macroeconomic variables and other commodities but very few studies focused on the relationship between the stock market and the gold price in the long-term and short-term perspectives. Therefore, an attempt has been made in this paper to fill up that research gap by analyzing the relationship between the stock market and gold price in the short range and long-range perspectives.

4. SURVEY OF LITERATURE

Kaliyamoorthy (2012) on the basis of their study established that there is no significant relationship exists with the Stock market and Gold price and when stock market crashes, gold prices have not been increased.

Bhunia (2012) found co-movement in gold prices and stock prices. Similarly, this study also found that in a longer time frame both gold price and the stock market will have a positive correlation and both will generate good return on investments

Mishra et al., (2010) examined the volatility of domestic gold and stock market returns based on BSE index during the period of 1991-2009 by applying the econometrics framework and found that the gold prices influences stock market returns in India and vice versa.

Arouri et al. (2015) study using VAR-GARCH model to investigate the effect of gold price volatility on the stock market returns in China for the period of 2004-2011 establishes significant impact of gold price volatility on China's stock market return.

5. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

In order to proceed with this paper historical data have been collected for the last 15 years i.e. April, 2005 to March, 2020 and analysis was performed.

- 5a. Hypotheses: Here, Ho is null hypothesis and H1 alternate hypothesis.
- For our **first** objective, the following null hypothesis has been formulated:
- H_0 : Stock market does not influence gold market price (r=0), where r is the correlation coefficient.
- H_1 : stock market influences gold market price ($r \neq 0$), where r is the correlation coefficient.
- For our **second** objective, the following null hypothesis has been formulated:

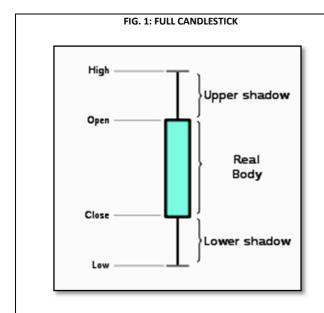
H₀: Stock market does not have a correlation with gold market price in short term and in long term i.e. **r=0**, where **r** is the correlation coefficient at different time frames.

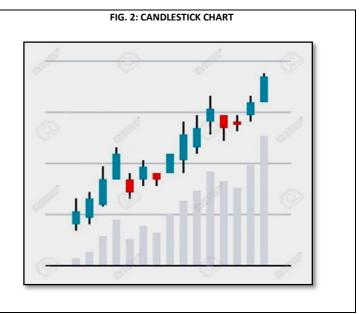
- H₁: Stock market has a correlation with gold market price in short term and in long term i.e. r≠0, where r is the correlation coefficient at different time frames.
- For our **third** objective, the following null hypothesis has been formulated:

H₀: Stock market does not have a correlation with gold market price in short term and in long term i.e. r=0, where r is the correlation coefficient at different time frames.

 H_1 : Stock market has a positive correlation or a negative correlation with gold market price in short term and in long term i.e. check either r < 0 or r > 0, where r is the correlation coefficient at different time frames.

- For our **fourth** objective, the following null hypothesis has been formulated:
- H₀: Gold generates same return as stock market in long term (in percentage).
- H₁: Gold generates more return than stock market in long term (in percentage).
- **5b. Data Source:** The data collected is the secondary data which is collected from https://in.investing.com and also rechecked with National Stock Exchange (NSE) for Nifty price and Multi Commodity Exchange (MCX) for the prices of gold as per availability.
- 5c. Charts and Graphs: The type of chart which has been used for collecting the data is closing price of the time frame of candlestick chart for both the gold and nifty closing price.
- Candlesticks: The Opening Price and Closing Price is plotted in a way as shown in Fig.1 and Fig.2. The timeframe's high and low forms the lower and upper wicks of the candlestick. If the price has increased during the time, it is shown in either blue or green and if the price has gone down, it is shown in Red. The resultant chart formed is as shown in Fig.1 and Fig.2.





Green/Blue candles are bullish candle and red are the bearish candles. For bullish candle closing price is higher than the opening price and for the bearish candle closing price is lower than the opening price. That's how the prices have been captured.

5d. Time Period and Time Interval: In this study, a time interval of 15 years has been taken. For reference, each and every Financial Year has been taken, starting from April 2005 till March 2020. The data from these 15 years consists of the monthly closing price of Gold and NIFTY respectively within the selected timeframe. Putting the collected data to use, the correlation between the closing prices of gold and NIFTY has been calculated on a Year-on-Year (YOY) basis. For further analysis between the closing prices of gold and NIFTY as well as to calculate the Return on Investment (ROI), the percentage increase in the prices of gold and NIFTY has been calculated within the time of 5 years (APRIL 2005 – MARCH 2010), 10 years (APRIL 2005 – MARCH 2015) and 15 years (APRIL 2005 – MARCH 2020).

5e. Statistical Methods & Mathematical Formula Used

> To check the correlation between the two variables: Stock market index price (X) and Gold price (Y), Karl Pearson's correlation coefficient (r(x, y) or r) between the aforesaid time period and the price point was used.

The coefficient of correlation \mathbf{r}_{xy} between two variables \mathbf{X} (Stock market index price) and \mathbf{Y} (Gold price), for the bi-variate dataset (\mathbf{X}_i , \mathbf{Y}_i) where $\mathbf{i} = 1, 2, 3....$ \mathbf{n} ; is given by –

$$\begin{split} r_{(X,Y)} = & \frac{\text{cov}(X,Y)}{S_X S_Y} \\ \text{Where,} \\ & \text{\textbf{Cov}}(X,Y) \quad \text{= the covariance between X and Y} \\ & S_X \qquad = \text{Standard Deviation of X} \\ & S_Y \qquad = \text{Standard Deviation of Y} \\ & cov(X,Y) = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum XY\right) - \overline{X}\overline{Y} \\ & (S_X)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum X^2\right) - (\overline{X})^2 \\ & (S_Y)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum Y^2\right) - (\overline{Y})^2 \end{split}$$

Plotting the data (X and Y) to check if the Scatter Diagram is consistent and Pearson's correlation coefficient can be determined or not. Using the Pearson's correlation coefficient formula, the Pearson's correlation coefficient is calculated.

> To check the return percentage of gold and stock index from mid to long term time frame, the 15 years historical data have been divided into 3 parts (*March-2010, March-2015* and *March-2020*) from the base *April-2005*.

Therefore, the formula used:

Percentage change in Stock index price = $\frac{(Stock\ index\ price)_j - (Stock\ index\ price)_b}{(Stock\ index\ price)_b} \times 100$

Where,

5 years: $(Stock\ index\ price)_j$ = Stock Index Price on March, 2010

 $(Stock\ index\ price)_b$ = Stock Index Price on April, 2005 (Base)

10 years: $(Stock\ index\ price)_j$ = Stock Index Price on March, 2015

 $(Stock\ index\ price)_b$ = Stock Index Price on April, 2005 (Base)

15 years: $(Stock\ index\ price)_j$ = Stock Index Price on March, 2020

 $(Stock\ index\ price)_b$ = Stock Index Price on April, 2005 (Base)

 $Percentage\ change\ in\ Gold\ price = \frac{(Gold\ price)_j - (Gold\ price)_b}{(Gold\ price)_b} \times 100$

Where,

5 years: $(Gold \ price)_j$ = Gold Price on March, 2010

 $(Gold\ price)_b$ = Gold Price on April, 2005 (Base)

10 years: $(Gold \ price)_i$ = Gold Price on March, 2015

 $(Gold\ price)_b$ = Gold Price on April, 2005 (Base)

15 years: $(Gold\ price)_j$ = Gold Price on March, 2020 $(Gold\ price)_b$ = Gold Price on April, 2005 (Base)

6. CASE STUDY BASED ON ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS

6a. CALCULATIONS TO FIND OUT THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE MONTHLY CLOSING PRICE OF NIFTY AND GOLD PRICE

TABLE 1: CALCULATIONS TO FIND OUT THE CORRELATION COEFFICIENT BETWEEN NIFTY AND GOLD PRICE

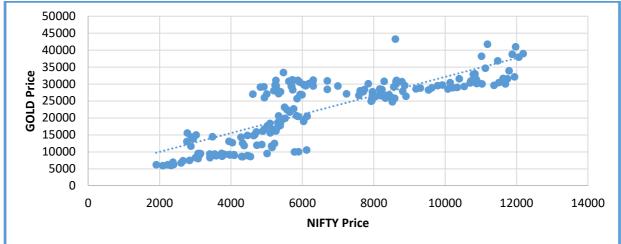
Month & Year	Gold Price (Y)	NIFTY Price (X)	Y ²	\mathbf{X}^2	XY
Apr-05	6240	1902	38937600	3617604	11868480
May-05	5964	2086	35569296	4351396	12440904
Jun-05	6232	2223	38837824	4941729	13853736
Jul-05	6016	2314	36192256	5354596	13921024
Aug-05	6318	2387	39917124	5697769	15081066
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Dec-05	7508	2836	56370064	8042896	21292688
Jan-06	8308	3002	69022864	9012004	24940616
Feb-06	8037	3075	64593369	9455625	24713775
Mar-06	8329	3405	69372241	11594025	28360245
Apr-06	9427	3539	88868329	12524521	33362153
May-06	9579	3072	91757241	9437184	29426688
Jun-06	9167	3113	84033889	9690769	28536871
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Sep-06	8907	3580	79334649	12816400	31887060
Oct-06	8776	3745	77018176	14025025	32866120
Nov-06	9275	3950	86025625	15602500	36636250
Dec-06	9145	3967	83631025	15737089	36278215
Jan-07	9232	4077	85229824	16621929	37638864
Feb-07	9622	3734	92582884	13942756	35928548
Mar-07	9340	3816	87235600	14561856	35641440
Apr-07	9058	4090	82047364	16728100	37047220
May-07	8674	4296	75238276	18455616	37263504
Jun-07	8589	4323	73770921	18688329	37130247
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Aug-07	8947	4460	80048809	19891600	39903620
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6b. SCATTER DIAGRAM OF 15 YEARS DATA

FIG. 3: SCATTER DIAGRAM SHOWS A POSITIVE CORRELATION BETWEEN PRICE OF NIFTY AND CORRESPONDING PRICE OF GOLD IN A LONGER TIME HORIZON



As per **first objective** it is established that there is an influence of stock market price to the price of gold. So for objective 1, H_1 as our **alternate** hypothesis: stock market influences gold market price ($r\neq0$), where r is the correlation coefficient has been established.

6c. ADDITIONAL CALCULATIONS

TABLE 2: ADDITIONAL CALCULATIONS BASED ON GOLD PRICE AND NIFTY PRICE

	TABLE 2. ABBITTOTALE GREEGE ATTOTAL BANGES ON COLD I MICE ATTO MILITARIO				
	Gold Price (Y)	NIFTY Price(X)	Y ²	\mathbf{X}^2	XY
Sum	4094444	1187877	1.08727E+11	9170440641	30704131007
Average	22746.91	6599.317	604038465.2	50946892.5	170578505.6
\bar{Y}	22746.9111				
n	180				
\bar{X}	6599.31667				
$(S_Y)^2$	86616500.1				
$(S_X)^2$	7395911.98				
(S_Y)	9306.7986				
(S_X)	2719.54261	•	•	•	
cov(X,Y)	20464436				
r	0.80854388	•	•	•	

Calculated value of correlation coefficient shows a positive correlation between Price of Nifty and corresponding price of gold in a longer time horizon.

As per our **second objective** it is established by the mathematical calculations that there is a correlation between stock market price and price of gold. So for objective 2, H_0 : Stock market does **not** have a correlation with gold market price in short term and in long term has been rejected and H_1 : Stock market has a correlation with gold market price in short term and in long term($r\neq 0$) as **alternate** hypothesis has been accepted.

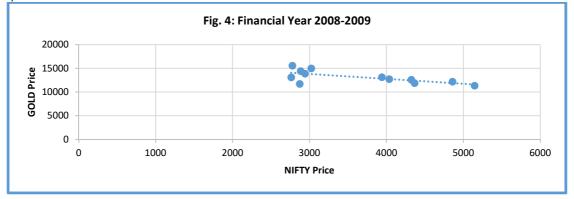
6d. Sample Cases: However, in some short term cases (12 months period), it has been observed that the relationship between Gold Price and NIFTY Price shows a negative correlation. Below is the year-wise correlation for the last 15 years:

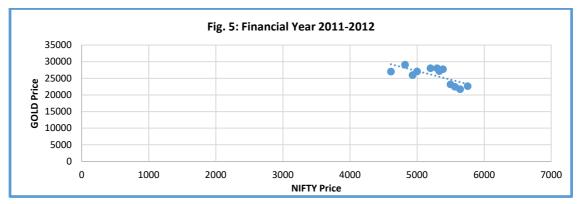
TABLE 3: YEAR-WISE CORRELATION OF THE PERIOD MARCH, 2006 TO MARCH, 2020

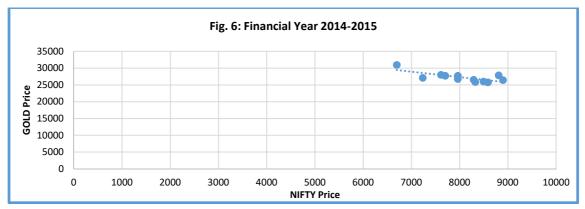
Month & Year	GOLD PRICE	NIFTY PRICE	12 months correlation
Mar-06	8329	3405	0.92530396
Mar-07	9340	3816	-0.336331751
Mar-08	12020	4721	0.469943605
Mar-09	15008	3021	-0.687539113
Mar-10	16210	5253	0.715185469
Mar-11	20703	5831	0.555694906
Mar-12	28088	5298	-0.705286675
Mar-13	29392	5686	0.406668985
Mar-14	28483	6696	-0.139050916
Mar-15	26058	8497	-0.736941785
Mar-16	28432	7735	-0.667521181
Mar-17	28604	9179	0.148555223
Mar-18	30442	10135	0.656549873
Mar-19	31700	11621	-0.306599935
Mar-20	43276	8603	-0.474818964

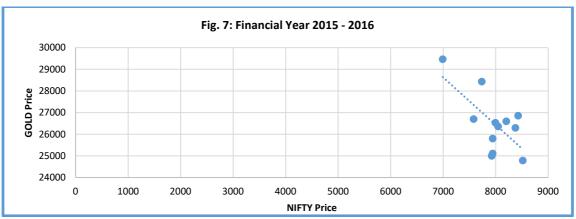
6e. SCATTER DIAGRAM FOR SELECTED YEAR FOR NEGATIVE CORRELATION

For the selected years:





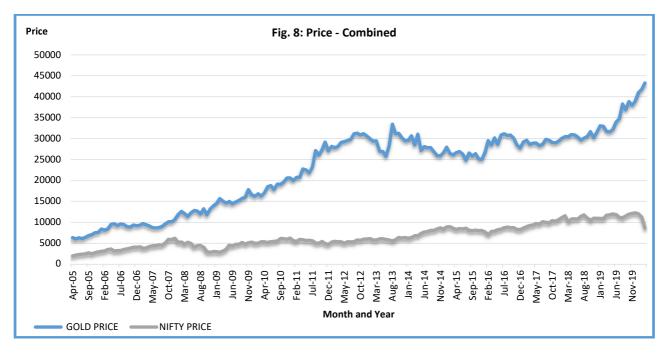




In this four selected financial year when Indian stock market had witnessed market crash it has been observed that price of the gold had gone up and thus creates negative correlation with the stock index price. These are the time when extreme fear captures the investors' mindset and they search and park their liquid assets in a safer instrument like gold.

For our third objective, mathematical calculations show that stock market has a positive correlation in long term with gold market price and a negative correlation with gold market price in short term, so here, H_0 : the stock market does not have a correlation with gold market price in short term and in long term has been rejected and H_1 : the stock market has a positive correlation (r > 0) with gold market price in long term and a negative correlation (r < 0) with gold market price in short term as our alternate hypothesis has been accepted.

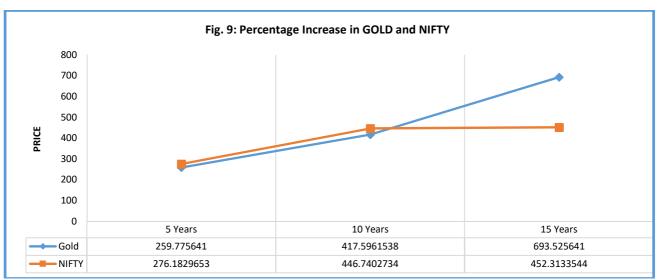
6f. COMBINED PRICE CHART



6g. PERCENTAGE OF ROI IN BOTH GOLD AND STOCK FOR MID TO LOG TIME HORIZON

TABLE 4: ROI IN BOTH GOLD AND STOCK FOR MID TO LOG TIME HORIZON (IN %)

% Increase	5 Years	10 Years	15 Years
Gold	259.7756	417.5962	693.5256
NIFTY	276.183	446.7403	452.3134
Increase Ratio	5 Years	10 Years	15 Years
Increase Ratio Gold	5 Years 2.597756	10 Years 4.175962	15 Years 6.935256



For our fourth objective, mathematical calculations show that gold has greater return on investment in longer time horizon, so here H₀: Gold generates same return as stock market in long term (in percentage) has been rejected and H₁: Gold generates more return than stock market in long term (in percentage) as our alternate hypothesis has been accepted.

7. CONCLUSION

Gold is a precious metal so the supply of this is relatively scarce. Due to this reason this is traditionally well known conservative investment instrument among the investors. Gold price movement in shorter time frame can give more or less accurate reflection of the fear factor about upcoming economic condition in the market. In the state of high volatility in the market, investors are in a state of fear about their investments so they tend to move out from the high risk assets like equity shares and invest/park their liquid money to the relatively safer assets like Gold. As the demand of the gold increases with the supply being constant, so the price of the gold goes high. Analysis of historical data confirms that in the shorter time frame when stock market crashes, gold prices went up and became the safe house of the investors. It also confirms that in a longer time frame both gold and the stock price will have a positive correlation and both will generate good return on investments. Statistical analysis of historical data suggests that in a short timeframe when fear factor is very high or in the bearish market there is an inverse correlation between stock index price and price of Gold in commodity market. It has also been concluded that in long term both the instruments have been positively correlated. Mathematical calculations of the historical price data of both the instruments show that the return on investments of the gold is greater than the return of stock market index.

8. LIMITATIONS OF THE STUDY

The limitations of this study is that it has not considered the impact of the factors like Rupee-USD \$ exchange rate, inflation and Crude oil price in world market.

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