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# Market Feed – Futures and Options (Level 1 & Level 2)

## 1 Introduction

NSE Data & Analytics Ltd. offers real-time data and historical data products from NSEIL to a diverse range of clients. This includes 5 real-time products and historical data products:

### **Real Time data products**

1. Real Time Data
2. Snapshot Data
3. Corporate Data
4. Analytical Products data
5. Indicative NAV Data

### **Historical data products**

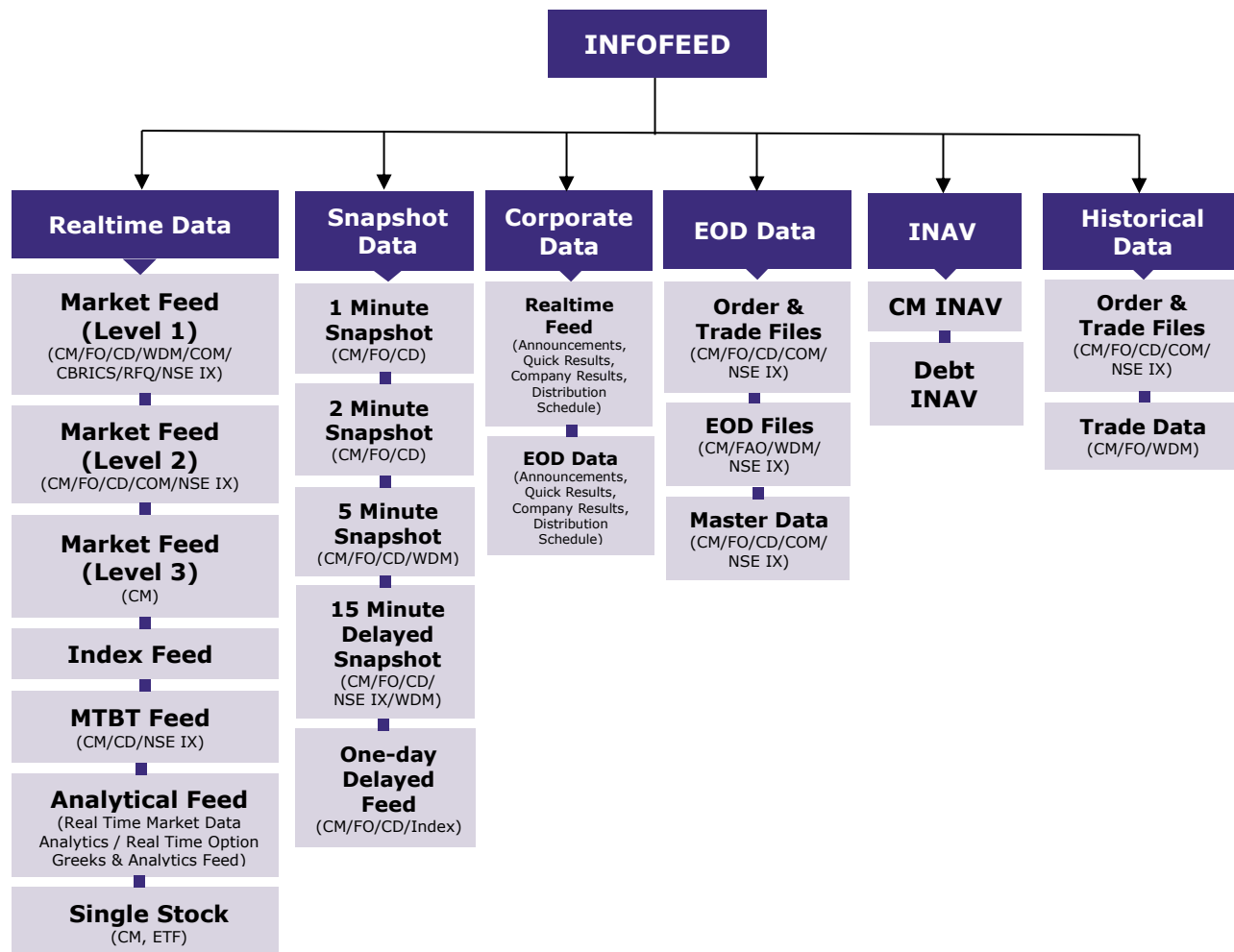
1. End of Day Data
2. Historical Data

The data products are provided through delivery modes mentioned below:

- **Real-time Data:** The information is transmitted as a packet broadcast, facilitating ongoing distribution through data feeds via point-to-point leased line.
- **Snapshot, End-of-Day, and Historical Data:** The data is delivered as downloadable files over the internet using the SFTP protocol.

All these data categories are integrated within the Infofeed platform, ensuring comprehensive coverage and streamlined access.





This document explains about the NSE – Market Feed (FO Level 1 & Level 2) products. Through this product on a real-time basis all the NSE’s market update information is disseminated.

The information agencies connect to the Market Feed Server through Leased Lines. These leased lines are terminated on Infocfeed Router, and their data specific pneumatic calls are forwarded to Infocfeed server.

The feed consists of a series of sequenced and unsequenced variable length compressed messages. The compression algorithm used over here is LZ0 – Compression.

## 2 Packet Format

Server sends all the packets in the following format

```
typedef struct
{
    CHAR        cCompOrNot;
    SHORT       nDataSize;
    SHORT       iNoOfPackets;
}ST_COMP_BATCH_HEADER;

typedef struct
{
    SHORT       iCode;
    SHORT       iLen;
    LONG        lSeqNo;
} ST_INFO_HEADER;

typedef struct
{
    .
    .
}ST_DATA_INFO;

typedef struct
{
    SHORT       iChecksum;
    CHAR        cEOT;
} ST_INFO_TRAILER;

typedef struct
{
    ST_INFO_HEADER stInfoHdr;
    ST_DATA_INFO stDataInfo;
    ST_INFO_TRAILER stInfoTrailer;
    .
}ST_DATA_PACKET;
```

All the packets received from the server consist of a compress batch header. The compress batch header provides metadata about the associated data packet, including:

- Whether the packet is compressed.
- The number of individual packets contained within.
- The total size of the data packet.

To process the data, the client must apply the LZO decompression algorithm to decompress the packet and retrieve its contents.

After decompression each data packet consists of ST\_INFO\_HEADER, which has the iCode field to identify the type of the packet. Using iCode field, data info packets are mapped to the respective data packets.

## 2.1 Data Types

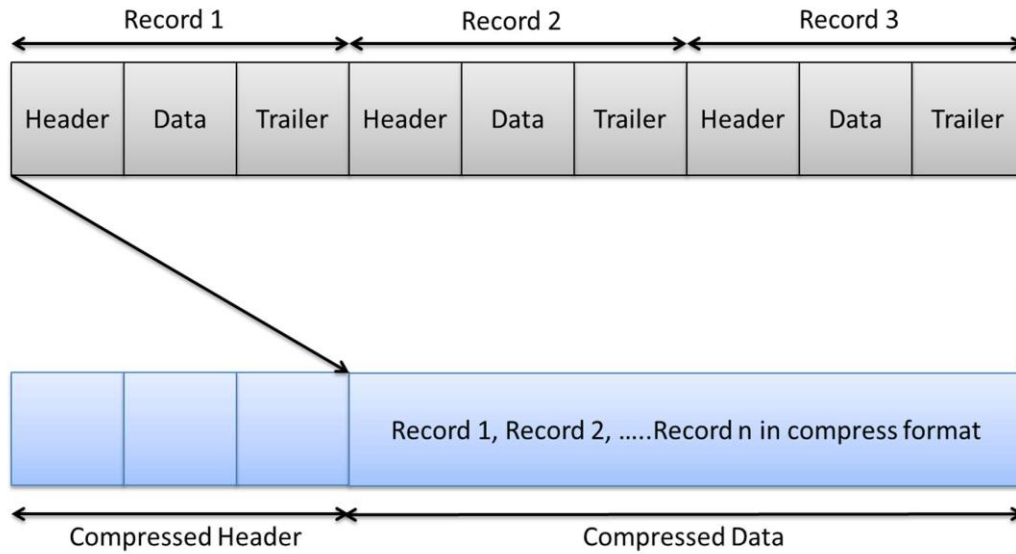
Data types used in feed:

Data Type	Size In Bytes
CHAR	1
SHORT	2
LONG	4
DOUBLE	8

Byte order - Big Endian



## 2.2 Diagrammatic Representation of Packet Format



### Compressed Header

1. Compressed/ Uncompressed = 0 then compressed/ 1 uncompressed
2. Number of packets = Number of records in compressed data
3. Data Size = Compressed data size

As the data packets are sent in compressed format there is a need to decompress them. The compression algorithm used is LZO.

### 3 Session Messages

#### 3.1 Heartbeat Message (Sent by server)

Heartbeat message will be sent every 2 seconds if data is not available.

Field Name	Data Type	Value	Brief Description
<b>INFO HEADER</b>			
Code	SHORT	<a href="#">'FH'</a>	
Length	SHORT	Numeric	Size of (INFO HEADER + INFO TRAILER)
Sequence Number	LONG	Numeric	0(Zero) for heartbeat message
<b>INFO DATA</b>			
Not associated with any data			
<b>INFO TRAILER</b>			
Checksum	SHORT	Numeric	Refer to section <a href="#">checksum calculation</a> Checksum is not calculated, so it is sent as 0(Zero)
End Of Trailer	CHAR [1]	'\r'	Carriage Return

## 4 Sequenced Data Message (Sent by server)

Sequenced data messages are sent by server which contains the actual market data.

### 4.1 BOD - Master Information

These packets are sent at the beginning of each trading day before the market opens. This feed contains information about the securities valid in the FO Market for trading.

Field Name	Data Type	Value	Brief Description
<b>INFO HEADER</b>			
Code	SHORT	<u>'FT'</u>	
Length	SHORT	Numeric	Size of (INFO HEADER + INFO DATA + INFO TRAILER)
Sequence Number	LONG	Numeric	Application sequence number
<b>INFO DATA</b>			
Token Number	CHAR [10]	Character	Unique identifier for the securities listed on NSE.
Instrument Type	CHAR [6]	Character	Instrument Type
Symbol	CHAR [10]	Character	Security symbol
Expiry Date	CHAR [11]	Character	Expiry Date
Strike Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Strike Price
Option Type	CHAR [2]	Character	Option Type
Category	CHAR [1]	Character	'1' = Regular Market Hours '2' = Extended Market Hours
Delete Flag	CHAR [1]	Character	'Y' = Deleted 'N' = Not Deleted
Low Price Range	CHAR [10]	Character	Minimum price at which order can be placed without causing a price freeze

High Price range	CHAR [10]	Character	Maximum price at which order can be placed without causing a price freeze
Contract Eligibility Per Market	ST_CONTRACT_ELIGIBILITY_PER_MARKET [4]	Structure	Refer to the table given below <a href="#">ST_CONTRACT_ELIGIBILITY_PER_MARKET</a>
Contract Name	CHAR [25]	Character	This field is provided for distinguishing the monthly and weekly contracts.
Regular Lot	CHAR [10]	Character	Regular Lot
Tick Size	CHAR [10]	Character	Contract Tick Size (In paise. Divide by 100 for value in INR)
Maturity Date	CHAR [10]	Character	Issue Maturity Date (DD-MM-YYYY)
<b>INFO TRAILER</b>			
Checksum	SHORT	Numeric	Refer to section <a href="#">checksum calculation</a>
End Of Trailer	CHAR [1]	'\r'	Carriage Return

### ST\_CONTRACT\_ELIGIBILITY\_PER\_MARKET

Field Name	Data Type	Value	Remark
<b>ST_CONTRACT_ELIGIBILITY_PER_MARKET</b>			
Market Type	CHAR [1]	Character	'N' = Normal 'S' = Spot 'O' = Odd Lot 'A' = Auction
Eligibility	CHAR [1]	Character	'1' = Allowed to trade '0' = Not allowed to trade
Contract Status	CHAR [1]	Character	'1' = Pre-open '2' = Open (Only for Normal market) '3' = Suspended '4' = Pre-open extended '5' = Stock Open with Market '6' = Price Discovery

## 4.2 Online - Market Status Message

This message is sent by the server whenever the market status changes.

Field Name	Data Type	Value	Brief Description
<b>INFO HEADER</b>			
Code	SHORT	'PO' 'PC' 'FO' 'FC'	'PO' = Pre-open session start 'PC' = Pre-open session end 'FO' = Normal market open 'FC' = Normal market Close
Length	SHORT	Numeric	Size of (INFO HEADER + INFO DATA + INFO TRAILER)
Sequence Number	LONG	Numeric	Application sequence number
<b>INFO DATA</b>			
Market Type	CHAR [1]	Character	'N' = Normal Market session 'X' = Extended Market Session
<b>INFO TRAILER</b>			
Checksum	SHORT	Numeric	Refer to section <a href="#">checksum calculation</a> Checksum is not calculated, so it is sent as 0(Zero)
End Of Trailer	CHAR [1]	'\r'	Carriage Return

### 4.3 Online – Open Interest Information

This packet is sent during the trading hours, and it indicates the Open Interest of the various contracts traded.

Field Name	Data Type	Value	Brief Description
<b>INFO HEADER</b>			
Code	SHORT	'FI'	
Length	SHORT	Numeric	Size of (INFO HEADER + INFO DATA + INFO TRAILER)
Sequence Number	LONG	Numeric	Application sequence Number
<b>INFO DATA</b>			
Instrument Type	CHAR [6]	Character	Instrument Type
Symbol	CHAR [10]	Character	Symbol of the security
Expiry Date	CHAR [11]	Character	Expiry Date
Strike Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Strike Price
Option Type	CHAR [2]	Character	Option Type
Open Interest	CHAR [12]	Character	Open Interest of the contract
Market Type	CHAR [1]	Character	'N'=Normal 'O'=Odd lot 'S'=Spot 'A'=Auction
Time Stamp	CHAR [11]	Character	No. of seconds from 01-01-1970 00:00:00 (DD-MM-YYYY HH:MM:SS)
<b>INFO TRAILER</b>			
Checksum	SHORT	Numeric	Refer to section <a href="#">checksum calculation</a>
End Of Trailer	CHAR [1]	'\r'	Carriage Return

#### 4.4 Online - Normal Market Contract Update Information

NSE contract update information for normal market is sent through this Message. This market update is available only in level 1 feed.

Field Name	Data Type	Value	Brief Description
<b>INFO HEADER</b>			
Code	SHORT	'PN' 'FN'	'PN' = Pre-open session updates 'FN' = Normal market updates
Length	SHORT	Numeric	Size of (INFO HEADER + INFO DATA + INFO TRAILER)
Sequence Number	LONG	Numeric	Application sequence Number
<b>INFO DATA</b>			
Instrument Type	CHAR [6]	Character	Instrument Type
Symbol	CHAR [10]	Character	Symbol of the security
Expiry Date	CHAR [11]	Character	Expiry Date
Strike Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Strike Price
Option Type	CHAR [2]	Character	Option Type
Market Type	CHAR [1]	Character	'N' = Normal 'O' = Odd lot 'S' = Spot 'A' = Auction
Timestamp	CHAR [11]	Character	No. of seconds from 01-01-1970 00:00:00 (DD-MM-YYYY HH:MM:SS)
Best Buy-Order price	CHAR [10]	Character	Best Buy side's outstanding Order Price
Best Buy-Order Quantity	CHAR [12]	Character	Best Buy side's outstanding Order Quantity
Best Sell-Order price	CHAR [10]	Character	Best Sell side's outstanding Order Price
Best Sell-Order quantity	CHAR [12]	Character	Best Sell side's outstanding Order Quantity
Last Traded Price (LTP)	CHAR [10]	Character	Price of the last trade happened on the contract. If no trade has happened for the day, then the previous day's trade price is taken or the base price is taken.

Total Traded Quantity (TTQ)	CHAR [12]	Character	Volume traded today
Security Status	CHAR [1]	Character	'S' = Suspended ' ' = Non-suspended
Opening Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Open price of the contract for the day.
High Price	CHAR [10]	Character	High price of the contract for the day
Low Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Low price of the contract for the day
Close Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Close price of the contract. During the day previous day's close price is sent. After the market closes, current day's close price is calculated and sent through this field
Average Trade Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Weighted average price of the security (i.e. value / quantity)
Total Turnover	CHAR [25]	Character	Contract traded value i.e. Average Trade Price * TTQ
<b>INFO TRAILER</b>			
Checksum	SHORT	Numeric	Refer to section <a href="#">checksum calculation</a>
End Of Trailer	CHAR [1]	'\r'	Carriage Return



## 4.5 Online – Normal Market Contract 5 Depth Update

NSE contract update information for normal market is sent through this Message. This 5 Depth market update is available in level 2 feed.

Field Name	Data Type	Value	Brief Description
<b>INFO HEADER</b>			
Code	SHORT	'PN' 'FN'	'PN' = Pre-open session updates 'FN' = Normal market updates
Length	SHORT	Numeric	Size of (INFO HEADER + INFO DATA + INFO TRAILER)
Sequence Number	LONG	Numeric	Application sequence number
<b>INFO DATA</b>			
Instrument Type	CHAR [6]	Character	Instrument Type
Symbol	CHAR [10]	Character	Symbol of the security
Expiry Date	CHAR [11]	Character	Expiry Date
Strike Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Strike Price
Option Type	CHAR [2]	Character	Option Type
Market Type	CHAR [1]	Character	'N'=Normal 'O'=Odd lot 'S'=Spot 'A'=Auction
Timestamp	CHAR [11]	Character	No. of seconds from 01-01-1970 00:00:00 (DD-MM-YYYY HH:MM:SS)
5 Depth Buy order details	MARKET_DEPTH_BUY_ORDER_INFO [5]	Structure	Refer the table given below <a href="#">MARKET_DEPTH_BUY_ORDER_INFO[5]</a>
5 Depth Sell order details	MARKET_DEPTH_SELL_ORDER_INFO [5]	Structure	Refer the table given below <a href="#">MARKET_DEPTH_SELL_ORDER_INFO[5]</a>
Last Traded Price (LTP)	CHAR [10]	Character	This is the price of the last trade which occurred on the contract. If no trades have occurred during the day, the trade price from the previous day will be considered, or the base price is taken.

Total Traded Quantity (TTQ)	CHAR [12]	Character	Volume traded today
Security Status	CHAR [1]	Character	'S' = Suspended ' ' = Non-suspended
Opening Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Open price of the contract for the day.
High Price	CHAR [10]	Character	High price of the contract for the day
Low Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Low price of the contract for the day
Close Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Close price of the contract. During the day previous day's close price is sent. After the market closes current day's close price is calculated and sent through this field
Average Trade Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Weighted average price of the contract. i.e. value / quantity
Total Buy Quantity	CHAR [12]	Character	Total quantity of the outstanding orders available on buy side
Total Sell Quantity	CHAR [12]	Character	Total quantity of the outstanding orders available on sell side
Total Turnover	CHAR [25]	Character	Contract traded value i.e. Average Trade Price * TTQ
<b>INFO TRAILER</b>			
Checksum	SHORT	Numeric	Refer to section <a href="#">checksum calculation</a>
End Of Trailer	CHAR [1]	'\r'	Carriage Return

**MARKET\_DEPTH\_BUY\_ORDER\_INFO [5]**

Field Name	Data Type	Value	Remark
MARKET_DEPTH_BUY_ORDER_INFO [5]			
Best Buy-Order price	CHAR [10]	Character	Best 5 buy side's outstanding orders price, quantity. In the case of PN packets the best 4 buy side's outstanding orders price and quantity information is sent. In the 5 <sup>th</sup> price and quantity field buy side's ATO orders information is sent. During Preopen order collection period (till pre-open end), if ATO order exists then in Price field -0.01 will be sent in the last row of buy side.
Best Buy-Order Quantity	CHAR [12]	Character	

**MARKET\_DEPTH\_SELL\_ORDER\_INFO [5]**

Field Name	Data Type	Value	Remark
MARKET_DEPTH_SELL_ORDER_INFO [5]			
Best Sell-Order price	CHAR [10]	Character	Best 5 sell side's outstanding orders price, quantity. In the case of PN packets the best 4 sell side's outstanding orders price and quantity information is sent. In the 5 <sup>th</sup> price and quantity field sell side's ATO orders information is sent. During Preopen order collection period (till pre-open end), if ATO order exists then in Price field -0.01 will be sent in the last row of sell side.
Best Sell-Order Quantity	CHAR [12]	Character	

## 4.6 Online - Spread Contract Update Information

NSE spread contract update information is sent through this Message.  
 This market update is available only in level 1 feed.

Field Name	Data Type	Value	Brief Description
<b>INFO HEADER</b>			
Code	SHORT	'FP'	
Length	SHORT	Numeric	Size of (INFO HEADER + INFO DATA + INFO TRAILER)
Sequence Number	LONG	Numeric	Application sequence number
<b>INFO DATA</b>			
Instrument Type_1	CHAR [6]	Character	Instrument Type
Symbol_1	CHAR [10]	Character	Symbol of the security
Expiry Date_1	CHAR [11]	Character	Expiry Date
Strike Price_1	CHAR [10]	Character	Strike Price
Option Type_1	CHAR [2]	Character	Option Type
Instrument Type_2	CHAR [6]	Character	Instrument Type
Symbol_2	CHAR [10]	Character	Symbol of the security
Expiry Date_2	CHAR [11]	Character	Expiry Date
Strike Price_2	CHAR [10]	Character	Strike Price
Option Type_2	CHAR [2]	Character	Option Type
Time Stamp	CHAR [11]	Character	No. of seconds from 01-01-1970 00:00:00 (DD-MM-YYYY HH:MM:SS)
Best Buy-Order Price-1	CHAR [10]	Character	Best buy side's outstanding orders price & quantity. information
Best Buy-Order Quantity-1	CHAR [12]	Character	
Best Sell-Order Price-1	CHAR [10]	Character	Best sell side's outstanding orders price & quantity. information
Best Sell-Order Quantity-1	CHAR [12]	Character	

Last Traded Price Difference (LTP)	CHAR [10]	Character	This field contains price differences of the latest spread trade.
Total Traded Quantity (TTQ)	CHAR [12]	Character	This field contains the total quantity of a contract traded on the current day
Opening Price Difference	CHAR [10]	Character	This field contains price difference of the first spread trade of the day.
Day High Price Difference	CHAR [10]	Character	This field contains maximum price difference of spread trades during the day.
Day Low Price Difference	CHAR [10]	Character	This field contains minimum price difference of spread trades during the day
<b>INFO TRAILER</b>			
Checksum	SHORT	Numeric	Refer to section <a href="#">checksum calculation</a>
End Of Trailer	CHAR [1]	'\r'	Carriage Return

## 4.7 Online – Spread Contract 5 Depth Update

NSE 5 depth spread contract update information is sent through this Message. This market update is available only in level 2 feed.

Field Name	Data Type	Value	Brief Description
<b>INFO HEADER</b>			
Code	SHORT	<a href="#">‘FP’</a>	
Length	SHORT	Numeric	Size of (INFO HEADER + INFO DATA + INFO TRAILER)
Sequence Number	LONG	Numeric	Application sequence number
<b>INFO DATA</b>			
Instrument Type_1	CHAR [6]	Character	Instrument Type
Symbol_1	CHAR [10]	Character	Symbol of the security
Expiry Date_1	CHAR [11]	Character	Expiry Date
Strike Price_1	CHAR [10]	Character	Strike Price
Option Type_1	CHAR [2]	Character	Option Type
Instrument Type_2	CHAR [6]	Character	Instrument Type
Symbol_2	CHAR [10]	Character	Symbol of the security
Expiry Date_2	CHAR [11]	Character	Expiry Date
Strike Price_2	CHAR [10]	Character	Strike Price
Option Type_2	CHAR [2]	Character	Option Type
Time Stamp	CHAR [11]	Character	No. of seconds from 01-01-1970 00:00:00 (DD-MM-YYYY HH:MM:SS)
5 Depth Buy Order details	SPREAD_MARKET_DEPTH_BUY_ORDER_INFO [5]	Structure	Refer to the table given below <a href="#">SPREAD_MARKET_DEPTH_BUY_ORDER_INFO</a>

5 Depth Sell Order details	SPREAD_MARKET_DEPTH_SELL_ORDER_INFO [5]	Structure	Refer to the table given below <a href="#">SPREAD_MARKET_DEPTH_SELL_ORDER_INFO</a>
Last Traded Price Difference (LTP)	CHAR [10]	Character	This field contains price difference of the latest spread trade.
Total Traded Quantity (TTQ)	CHAR [12]	Character	This field contains the total quantity of a contract traded on the current day
Opening Price Difference	CHAR [10]	Character	This field contains price difference of the first spread trade of the day.
Day High Price Difference	CHAR [10]	Character	This field contains maximum price difference of spread trades during the day.
Day Low Price Difference	CHAR [10]	Character	This field contains minimum price difference of spread trades during the day
Total Buy Quantity	CHAR [12]	Character	This field contains the total quantity of buy orders in a contract.
<b>INFO TRAILER</b>			
Checksum	SHORT	Numeric	Refer to section <a href="#">checksum calculation</a>
End Of Trailer	CHAR [1]	'\r'	Carriage Return

**SPREAD\_MARKET\_DEPTH\_BUY\_ORDER\_INFO [5]**

Field Name	Data Type	Value	Remark
SPREAD_MARKET_DEPTH_BUY_ORDER_INFO [5]			
Best Buy-Order price	CHAR [10]	Character	Best 5 buy side's outstanding orders price, quantity.
Best Buy-Order Quantity	CHAR [12]	Character	

**SPREAD\_MARKET\_DEPTH\_SELL\_ORDER\_INFO [5]**

Field Name	Data Type	Value	Remark
SPREAD_MARKET_DEPTH_SELL_ORDER_INFO [5]			
Best Sell-Order price	CHAR [10]	Character	Best 5 sell side's outstanding orders price, quantity.
Best Sell-Order Quantity	CHAR [12]	Character	



## 4.8 EOD – Master Addition/Modification/Deletion

This packet consists of information about addition, modification, or deletion of any of the securities. After market close, this information is disseminated to client as the “End of Day” (EOD) feed.

Field Name	Data Type	Value	Brief Description
<b>INFO HEADER</b>			
Code	SHORT	<a href="#">‘FA’</a> <a href="#">‘FM’</a> <a href="#">‘FD’</a>	‘FA’ = Contract added ‘FM’ = Contract modified ‘FD’ = Contract deleted
Length	SHORT	Numeric	Size of (INFO HEADER + INFO DATA + INFO TRAILER) (Variable length depending upon Message Length field of INFO DATA structure)
Sequence Number	LONG	Numeric	Application sequence number
<b>INFO DATA</b>			
Instrument	CHAR [6]	Character	Instrument Type
Symbol	CHAR [10]	Character	Security symbol
Expiry Date	CHAR [11]	Character	Expiry Date
Strike Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Strike Price
Option Type	CHAR [2]	Character	Option Type
Contract Description	CHAR [30]	Character	Contract Name
Regular Lot	CHAR [6]	Character	Regular Lot
Market Type	CHAR [1]	Character	‘N’ = Normal ‘S’ = Spot ‘O’ = Odd Lot ‘A’ = Auction
Tick Size	CHAR [6]	Character	Contract tick size. (In INR)
Maturity Date	CHAR [11]	Character	Contract Maturity Date (DD-MON-YYYY)

Last Update Date & Time	CHAR [20]	Character	Format: DD-MON-YYYY HH:MM:SS
<b>INFO TRAILER</b>			
Checksum	SHORT	Numeric	Refer to section <a href="#">checksum calculation</a>
End Of Trailer	CHAR [1]	'\r'	Carriage Return

## 4.9 EOD – Market Status

The end-of-day status of the contracts is sent through these messages. After market close, this information is disseminated to client as the “End of Day” (EOD) feed.

Field Name	Data Type	Value	Brief Description
<b>INFO HEADER</b>			
Code	SHORT	<u>'FS'</u>	
Length	SHORT	Numeric	Size of (INFO HEADER + INFO DATA + INFO TRAILER) (Variable length depending upon Message Length field of INFO DATA structure)
Sequence Number	LONG	Numeric	Application sequence number
<b>INFO DATA</b>			
Instrument	CHAR [6]	Character	Instrument Type
Symbol	CHAR [10]	Character	Security symbol
Expiry Date	CHAR [11]	Character	Expiry Date
Strike Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Strike Price
Option Type	CHAR [2]	Character	Option Type
Market Type	CHAR [1]	Character	'N' = Normal 'O' = Odd lot 'S' = Spot 'A' = Auction
Opening Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Contract open price for the day
Trade High Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Contract high price for the day
Trade Low Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Contract low price for the day
Closing Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Contract close price for the day

Last Traded Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Contract last traded price for the day
Previous Close Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Contract previous day's close price
Settlement Price	CHAR [10]	Character	Contract settlement price for the day
Total Traded Quantity	CHAR [12]	Character	Volume traded today for the contract
Total Traded Value	CHAR [25]	Character	Total traded value for the security
Open Interest	CHAR [12]	Character	Contract open interest
Change In Open Interest	CHAR [12]	Character	Contract change in open interest
<b>INFO TRAILER</b>			
Checksum	SHORT	Numeric	Refer to section <a href="#">checksum calculation</a>
End Of Trailer	CHAR [1]	'\r'	Carriage Return

## 4.10 BOD & EOD Checksum Information

This message gives information about the number of messages (i.e. count) sent for each BOD & EOD message. This message will be sent multiple times a day. (i.e. After complete dissemination of any BOD/ EOD messages this message will be sent.)

Field Name	Data Type	Value	Brief Description
<b>INFO HEADER</b>			
Code	SHORT	<a href="#">‘FZ’</a>	
Length	SHORT	Numeric	Size of (INFO HEADER + INFO DATA + INFO TRAILER) (Variable length depending upon Message Length field of INFO DATA structure)
Sequence Number	LONG	Numeric	Application sequence number
<b>INFO DATA</b>			
Data Code	SHORT	‘FT’/‘FA’/‘FM’/‘FD’/‘FS’	Message code for which the count is sent
Messages Count	CHAR [10]	Character	Message count for the Data Code
<b>INFO TRAILER</b>			
Checksum	SHORT	Numeric	Refer to section <a href="#">checksum calculation</a> Checksum is not calculated, so it is sent as 0(Zero)
End Of Trailer	CHAR [1]	‘\r’	Carriage Return

## 4.11 EOD – End of Feed Information

This packet marks the completion of all components of the End-of-Day (EOD) feed. It is transmitted only once through the feed. Upon receiving this message, clients may safely terminate their applications, as no further update information will be sent from the server.

Field Name	Data Type	Value	Brief Description
<b>INFO HEADER</b>			
Code	SHORT	'FE'	
Length	SHORT	Numeric	Size of (INFO HEADER + INFO TRAILER)
Sequence Number	LONG	Numeric	Application sequence number
<b>INFO DATA</b>			
Not associated with any data			
<b>INFO TRAILER</b>			
Checksum	SHORT	Numeric	Refer to section <a href="#">checksum calculation</a> Checksum is not calculated, so it is sent as 0 (Zero)
End Of Trailer	CHAR [1]	'\r'	Carriage Return

## 5 Steps for Decompressing the Data Packets

### 5.1 LZO Algorithm Details

The LZO stands for Lempel Ziv Oberhaumer. It is a data compression library which is suitable for data Decompression in real-time. This means it favors speed over compression ratio.

LZO is written in ANSI C. Both the source code and the compressed data format are designed to be portable across platforms. This algorithm is freely available on the internet (URL: <https://www.oberhumer.com/opensource/lzo/>). It is made available by free software foundation. The algorithm is tested on various operating systems like UNIX and Red Hat Linux.

LZO implements several algorithms with the following features

- Decompression is simple and \*very\* fast.
- Requires no memory for decompression.
- Requires 64 KB of memory for compression.
- Allows you to dial up extra compression at a speed cost in the compressor.
- The speed of decompression is not reduced.
- Includes compression levels for generating pre-compressed data which achieve a quite competitive compression ratio.
- There is also a compression level which needs only 8 KB for Compression.
- Algorithm is thread safe.
- Algorithm is lossless.
- LZO supports overlapping compression and in-place decompression.

### 5.2 Files required for LZO algorithm

- Include files, source files (src) provided by LZO
- LZO.lib
- LZO library version used is 1.0.7

### 5.3 Decompression steps

Receive the packet in the temporary buffer i.e. an array of characters.

The first field is compressed or decompressed.

The second field is the number of packets in the following data packet.

The third field is data packet length.

Use the following function of LZO to Decompress.

```
r = lzo1z_decompress ((lzo_byte*)cInputBuf, ipLength,  
(lzo_byte*)cOutputBuf, (lzo_uint*)&opLength, NULL);
```

**lzo1z\_decompress:** Function which decompresses the data packet received

**cInputBuf:** Input buffer in which compressed data is received.

**ipLength:** The length of the packet which application has received using Receive ().

**cOutputBuf:** The uncompressed output data which is result of decompression.

**opLength:** Length of uncompressed data

After decompression data will be available in Output Buffer.

Each output data packet contains the INFO HEADER, after mapping the output decompressed buffer to INFO HEADER find out the data packet and the according to it map the output buffer to respective data packet.

### Algorithm:

```
ST_NIFO_HEADER *pstInfoHeader;
```

```
for (i=0; i < iNoOfPackets; i++)          // iNoOfPackets received in  
                                           // compressed data header
```

```
{
```

```
    pstInfoHeader = (ST_NIFO_HEADER *) cOutputBuf
```

```
    switch (pstInfoHeader->iCode)
```

```
    {
```

```
        case CB:          //Broadcast Message
```

```
        {
```

```
            ST_INDEX_DATA*stIndexData = (ST_INDEX_DATA *)cOutputBuf;
```

```
            .
```

```
            .
```

```
            cOutputBuf = cOutputBuf +  
            sizeof(ST_INDEX_DATA); break;
```

```
        }
```

```
    }
```



## 6 Checksum Calculation Algorithm

The Checksum routine followed for Info Vendor Feed is as follows:

```
// Following is the defines for checksum calculation

#define DC1      17
#define DC3      19
#define CR       13
#define LF       10
#define POLY     0x1021

// End of defines
check_sum (cData, iLength) char *cData;
int iLength;
{
    unsigned uAccum = 0;
    unsigned uData;
    unsigned char ucChk[2];
    int i,j;
    for (i=0;i<iLength;i++)
    {
        uData = *(cData+i);
        uData <<= 8;
        for(j=8; j>0 ;j--)
        {
            if((uData^uAccum)&0x8000)
                uAccum=(uAccum<<1)^POLY;
            /* SHIFT AND SUBTRACT POLY */
            else
                uAccum<<=1;
            uData<<=1;
        }
    }

    ucChk[0] = uAccum>>8;
    if (ucChk[0] == DC1 || ucChk[0] == DC3 || ucChk[0] == CR || ucChk[0] == LF )
        ucChk[0] -= 1;

    ucChk[1] = uAccum&0xFF;
    if (ucChk[1] == DC1 || ucChk[1] == DC3 || ucChk[1] == CR || ucChk[1] == LF )
        ucChk[1] -= 1;

    uAccum = ucChk[1];
    uAccum = (uAccum<<8) + ucChk[0];

    return(uAccum);
}
```

## 7 Notes

Contract Descriptor comprises Instrument Name, Symbol, Expiry Date, Strike Price & Option Type. Symbol indicates the index on which the Futures or Options contract is based (viz. Nifty) in case of Index Futures or Index Options or any stock (like ACC) in case of Futures / Options on Individual stocks.

### 7.1 Pre-Open Session

Pre-open session will be conducted for the Normal Market segment. The session will be conducted before the normal market start time. Exchange may decide to allow all or selective securities in pre-open session.

During the Pre-open session, only order entry, orders modification and order cancellation will be allowed. Once the pre-open session ends, no order activity will be allowed and the final open price (i.e. equilibrium price based on accumulated buy and sell orders) will be computed. Pre-open orders will be matched at this final open price resulting in trade execution.

Pre-open orders that could not participate in the pre-open matching for reasons such as a demand-supply gap, order price worse than the equilibrium price etc. shall be carried forward to the normal market. The time priority of such orders shall be retained.

In the above context NSE – Market Feed (Level 1 & Level 2) product sends messages in the following sequence.

1. Pre-open session start (PO) – market type 'N'
2. Security Update Information (PN) – Indicative open price in open price field
3. Pre-open session end (PC) - market type 'N'
4. Contract Update Information (PN) – Derived final open price in open price field and current security information
5. Normal Market open (FO) - market type 'N'
6. Contract Update Information (FN) – With current security
7. Normal Market Close (FC) - market type 'N'

## 8 Contract Name Mapping Example

In FT messages four new fields are added and one of the fields is **"Contract Name"**

Examples of weekly & monthly options contracts will reflect in the contract name field as follows

Options, monthly and weekly contracts examples

Contract Name	Tenor	Logic for contract Name					
FINNIFTY22JAN15900PE	Monthly	Symbol	YY	MON	Strike Price	Option Type	
NIFTY22JAN19450CE	Monthly	Symbol	YY	MON	Strike Price	Option Type	
FINNIFTY21D2122200PE	Weekly	Symbol	YY	M	DD	Strike Price	Option Type
NIFTY21D2316700CE	Weekly	Symbol	YY	M	DD	Strike Price	Option Type

Futures monthly and weekly contracts examples

Contract Name	Tenor	Logic for contract Name				
FINNIFTY22JANFUT	Monthly	Symbol	YY	MON	Instrument Type	
NIFTY22JANFUT	Monthly	Symbol	YY	MON	Instrument Type	
FINNIFTY21D21FUT	Weekly	Symbol	YY	M	DD	Instrument Type

Where YY – Year, MON – Month, M – Month, DD - Date

Below is the Table of codes for months 'M' in weekly options contracts

Sr. No.	Month 'M'	Code
1	January	1
2	February	2
3	March	3
4	April	4
5	May	5
6	June	6
7	July	7
8	August	8
9	September	9
10	October	O
11	November	N
12	December	D

## 9 Annexure

### 9.1 Acronyms Used

BOD	Begin Of Day Information
EOD	End Of Day Information
Online	Information Sent During Market Timing
CM	Cash Market
F&O/FAO	Future & Options Market
CD	Currency Derivatives Market
WDM	Wholesale & Debt Market
COM	Commodity Market
CBRICS	Corporate Bond Reporting and Integrated Clearing System
NSE IX	NSE International Exchange
MTBT	Multicast Tick By Tick
<b>ATO</b>	<b>At The Opening</b>

## 10 FAQs

- 1) For Sequenced Data Messages, why do fields contain datatypes as short, but contain value is specified as character?

Data sent by server contains number, which is the ASCII value of the field and at client's end it needs to be converted from ASCII value into character.

- 2) How do you differentiate between numeric and non-numeric values?

Numeric values are always right aligned and non-numeric values are left aligned. For instance, even though LTP has a datatype as character, it is distinguished by the alignment as numeric value is always right aligned.

- 3) How to decompress a packet and extract data from it?

Follow the steps mentioned below.

- Receive a packet from the feed, and check ST\_COMP\_BATCH\_HEADER's cCompOrNot to see if the data is compressed or not.
- If the cCompOrNot flag is '0' then the data is compressed so use LZO Decompress to extract the data. The position of data would be the difference in position between the received bytes and the ST\_COMP\_BATCH\_HEADER size.
- If the cCompOrNot flag not '0' then the data is not compressed so just copy the bytes after the header to get the data.
- Type cast the data above data to ST\_INFO\_HEADER and get iCode from it. iCode can be used to identify the type of packet.
- Based on iCode, map the data section into the required structure.
- After the data section, map the trailer ST\_INFO\_TRAILER to get the iChecksum i.e. checksum (Refer to section checksum calculation)

- 4) What is Level 1 and Level 2 Data?

The list of market depth is organized by price levels, and it is updated in real-time to reflect current activity where:

- Level 1 provides the best Bid and best Ask price.
- Level 2 offers up to the best 5 Bids and Asks prices.

## 5) What structures are available for level 1 and level 2 feeds?

Packets Sent	Code	Level 1	Level 2
<a href="#">3.1 Heartbeat Message</a>	'FH'	✓	✓
<a href="#">4.1 BOD - Master Information</a>	'FT'	✓	✓
<a href="#">4.2 Online - Market Status Message</a>	'PO' 'PC' 'FO' 'FC'	✓	✓
<a href="#">4.3 Online – Open Interest Information</a>	'FI'	✓	✓
<a href="#">4.4 Online – Normal Market Contract Update Information</a>	'PN' 'FN'	✓	-
<a href="#">4.5 Online – Normal Market Contract 5 Depth Update</a>	'PN' 'FN'	-	✓
<a href="#">4.6 Online – Spread Contract Update Information</a>	'FP'	✓	-
<a href="#">4.7 Online – Spread Contract 5 Depth Update</a>	'FP'	-	✓
<a href="#">4.9 EOD – Master Addition/Modification/Deletion</a>	'FA' 'FM' 'FD'	✓	✓
<a href="#">4.10 EOD – Market Status</a>	'FS'	✓	✓
<a href="#">4.11 BOD &amp; EOD Checksum Information</a>	'FZ'	✓	✓
<a href="#">4.12 EOD – End of Feed Information</a>	'FE'	✓	✓

## 6) How is Contract Tick Size to be interpreted?

In Real Time FT ([BOD – Master Information](#)) packet, Tick Size is in paise.  
 While in [EOD – Master Addition/Modification/Deletion](#), Tick Size is in INR.

## 7) Can we use lzo versions 2.03/2.09/2.10 for decompressing the packets received from NDAL?

Yes, lzo is backward compatible. Above versions of lzo can be used for decompressing the compressed packets disseminated from NDAL.

## 8) How does an ATO order execute during pre-open session?

During the pre-open order collection period, the Level 2 message displays the top four buy and sell rows as limit orders. The fifth row on both sides is specifically reserved for ATO (At The Opening) orders. If an ATO order is present, the price field in the last row will contain a value of **-0.01** for both buy and sell sides. This format applies to Level 2 messages, which present five bid and ask prices.

9) Will all the futures & options contracts for Indices and stock be available during preopen session?

No, the pre-open session is only applicable to current month futures contracts for both stocks and indices. However, during the last five trading days before the current month's expiry, the pre-open session is also extended to include next-month futures contracts.

Illustration:

Suppose the current month (M1) futures contract expires on 30-DEC-2025 and the next month (M2) contract expires on 27-JAN-2026. The applicability of the pre-open session would be as follows:

<b>Trading Date</b>	<b>M1 – Expiry 30DEC2025</b>	<b>M2 – Expiry 27JAN2026</b>
	<b>Pre-Open Session Applicability</b>	
01-DEC-2025 to 21-DEC-2025	Yes	No
22-Dec-2025	Yes	No
23-Dec-2025	Yes	Yes
24-Dec-2025	Yes	Yes
25-DEC-2025	Holiday	Holiday
26-DEC-2025	Yes	Yes
27-Dec-2025	Holiday	Holiday
28-DEC-2025	Holiday	Holiday
29-DEC-2025	Yes	Yes
<b>30-DEC-2025 - Expiry Day</b>	Yes	Yes

<b>Trading Date</b>	<b>M1 – Expiry 27JAN2026</b>	<b>M2 – Expiry 24FEB2026</b>
	<b>Pre-Open Session Applicability</b>	
31-Dec-2025	Yes	No

\*\*Please note M1 & M2 contract represent all the stocks and Indices future contracts.

*Pre-open session shall not be applicable in following scenarios:*

- Spread & Option contracts on Indices and stocks.
- Pre-open session shall not be conducted in Futures of underlying security on its ex-date of corporate action due to scheme of arrangement.



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