Copper futures: Initiate short positions in 3 legs

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Copper futures on the MCX, unable to move beyond the barrier at ₹800, started falling early last week. The downswing extended resulting in the contract invalidating a key support at ₹745 on Tuesday. This level happened to be the neckline of a double-top and a fall below this level means copper futures has confirmed the pattern.

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Considering the validity of the chart pattern, we can expect the price of the contract to fall further, potentially to ₹700. But note that there is a minor support at ₹710, thus making the price region of ₹700-708 a support band.

That said, we might see a corrective rally from the cur-



rent level as the contract has fallen sharply recently. Such an up move can lift the contract to ₹750-760 range. Nevertheless, we expect the contract to resume the decline and touch ₹700.

Since there is a chance of a corrective rally from here, we suggest initiating fresh short positions in three legs — short for one-third of the planned amount at the current level of ₹733; add another one-third of shorts when price moves up to ₹750; add shorts for the remaining one-third when price rises to ₹760. Place stop-loss at ₹775 at first.