

TREASURY MARKET UPDATE 26th NOVEMBER 2021

DOMESTIC NEWS

The shilling remained unchanged but was biased towards further weakening against the dollar due to continued growing demand from merchandise importers in the energy and other sectors.

The market players expect the local currency weakening streak to persist in the coming trading sessions as we end towards the festive season.

The pair USD/KES closed at 112.3/112.50.

In other news, The Capital Markets Authority (CMA) has barred listed firms with negative equity from rolling out share buybacks, locking out cash-strapped companies from the process largely applied to correct perceived undervaluation of stock.

The regulator has ruled that directors of the companies which intend to repurchase stock from the market should ensure "assets ... are equal to or exceed the liabilities of the listed company".

Elsewhere Safaricom has lost Sh332.5 billion in market value at the Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE) in three months, with its share price falling 18.3 percent from an all-time high of Sh45.25 recorded on August 23. The telco closed trading at Sh36.95 Wednesday when its market

capitalization stood at Sh1.48 trillion, down from the peak of Sh1.81 trillion. (Source Business daily)

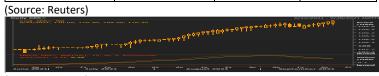
Indicative Forex Rates

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	Buy Cash	Sell Cash	Buy TT	Sell TT	
USD/KES	108.90	115.90	110.40	115.40	
GBP/KES	145.52	153.52	145.22	153.92	
EUR/KES	121.74	129.64	122.54	130.04	
AED/KES	29.10	32.10	28.60	32.60	

Money Market Rates	Current	Previous	Change
Interbank Rate	5.210%	5.250%	0.040
91-Day T-bill	7.181%	7.114%	0.067
182-Day T-Bill	7.835%	7.747%	0.088
364-Day T-Bill	8.944%	8.840%	0.104
Inflation	6.450%	6.950%	-0.500
CBR RATE	7.000%	7.000%	0.000

Source; Central Bank of Kenya)

LIBOR Rates	USD	EUR	GBP
6 Months	0.25100	-0.54971	0.30763
12 months	0.44588	-0.48829	0.69075



(Source: Reuters)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Dollar took a breather on Thursday after rising to a fresh 16-months high on Wednesday as investors booked profits on usd's recent rally together with retreat in U.S. Treasury yields.

Versus the Japanese yen, despite retreating to 115.31 in Asian morning, the dollar rebounded to 115.42 at European open. Price then met renewed selling and dropped to session lows at 115.25 in thin North American trading in tandem with U.S. yields before trading sideways.

The euro gained some respite after falling to a fresh 16-month trough at 1.1187 on Wednesday and recovered to 1.1218 in Asian morning. The single currency then ratcheted higher to session highs at 1.1230 in thin North American trading due partly to cross-buying of euro especially vs sterling.

In the commodities space, Gold benefits from the COVID-19 fears to post the biggest daily gains in over a week, up 0.50% on a day around \$1,799 during early Friday.

Given the quick spread of the virus variant and immunity against the vaccines, the global traders register broad fears from the covid version at the time when Eurozone is already struggling with the coronavirus wave four.

Investors remain focused on whether the Bank of England will raise interest rates at its December meeting, wondering about the impact of the new wave of COVID-19 cases across the continent.

Indicative Profit Rates on Deposits				
Amounts >	10 million	Amounts >100,000		
	KES	USD		
2 Weeks	6.00%	0.25%		
1 Month	6.25%	0.50%		
3 Months	6.50%	0.75%		
6 Months	6.75%	1.00%		
1 year	7.00%	1.25%		
Indicative Cross Rates				
Bid		Offer		
EUR/USD	1.1123	1.1469		
GBP/USD	1.3230	1.3643		
USD/AED	3.6642	3.6899		
USD/JPY	108.29	116.65		

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