

TREASURY MARKET UPDATE 11th OCTOBER 2022

DOMESTIC NEWS

The Kenya shilling was broadly unchanged on Friday with limited dollar inflows offset by fuel importers seeking hard currency.

Commercial banks quoted the shillings at 120.75/95 per dollar same as Thursday's close.

In other news, Bonds turnover at the Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE) declined by 24.4 percent in the nine months to September on tighter liquidity and reduced demand by banks that have suffered valuation losses due to rising interest rates.

Latest data show investors traded Sh583.63 billion worth of bonds in the period this year compared to Sh771.73 billion in a similar period in 2021. Analysts tie the drop to over-borrowing by the government to meet it targets and expectation of rising interest rates, which has led to a focus on short-term bonds. (Business daily)

Indicative Forex Rates

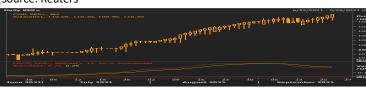
	Buy Cash	Sell Cash	Buy TT	Sell TT
USD/KES	117.40	127.90	116.90	127.40
GBP/KES	129.36	148.86	128.56	143.36
EUR/KES	112.19	138.09	112.49	131.09
AED/KES	28.90	38.90	30.90	38.40

Money Market	Current	Previous	Change
Rates			
Interbank Rate	5.100%	5.110%	0.010
91-Day T-bill	9.036%	8.952%	0.084
182-Day T-Bill	9.639%	9.631%	0.008
364-Day T-Bill	9.905%	9.905%	0.000
Inflation	9.200%	8.530%	0.670
CBR RATE	7.500%	8.250%	0.750

Source; Central Bank of Kenya)

LIBOR Rates	USD	JPY	GBP
6 Months	4.38471	0.04456	4.42120
12 months	4.99629	-	-

(Source: Reuters



INTERNATIONAL NEWS

The dollar could mount a move toward fresh highs for the year as inflation data set for later this week showing that core inflation likely remains on the up and up should all but confirm the prospect for another jumbo-sized rate hike next month.

The U.S. dollar index, which measures the greenback against a trade-weighted basket of six major currencies, rose by 0.36% to 113.08 to move closer to its 52-week high of 114.75.

U.S. Consumer Price Index data is expected to show headline inflation slowing to 8.1% from 8.3% in the 12 months through September. But core inflation, which excludes food and energy prices, and is closely monitored by the Fed as a more indicative measure of underlying price pressures, is expected to rise to 6.5% from 6.3%.

Oil prices slid on Tuesday, extending losses of nearly 2% in the previous session, as a stronger U.S. dollar and a flare-up in COVID-19 cases in China raised concerns of slowing global demand. Brent crude futures fell 27 cents, or 0.3%, to \$95.92 a barrel by 0342 GMT, after falling \$1.73 in the previous session. West Texas Intermediate crude was at \$90.73 a barrel, down 40 cents, or 0.4%, after losing \$1.51 in the previous session.

Gold prices hovered above annual lows on Tuesday after tumbling sharply on hawkish signals from the Federal Reserve, while copper prices rose on hopes that Chinese demand will persevere despite recent economic headwinds.

Spot gold rose 0.1% to \$1,669.76 an ounce, while gold futures gained 0.1% to \$1,676.75 an ounce by 20:20 ET (00:20 GMT). Both instruments slumped nearly 2% on Monday, their worst drop in over two weeks.

Indicative Profit Rates on Deposits

Amounts > 10 million		Amounts >100,000		
KES		USD		
2 Weeks	6.00%	0.35%		
1 Month	6.55%	0.55%		
3 Months	7.00%	0.80%		
6 Months	7.50%	1.25%		
1 year	8.00%	1.75%		
Indicative Cross Rates				
Bid		Offer		
EUR/USD	0.9485	0.9890		
GBP/USD	1.0905	1.1242		
USD/AED	3.6630	3.6832		
USD/JPY	143.10	147.20		
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