

# TREASURY MARKET UPDATE 19<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2022

## DOMESTIC NEWS

The Kenya shilling was stable on Thursday although healthy demand from merchandise importers still outweighed inflows and posed a depreciation risk. Commercial banks quoted the shillings at 115.35/55 against the dollar similar to Wednesday's close.

In other local commodities news, the coffee auction is set to go on recess next month as the main crop season comes to an end following a decline of highquality beans for trading. Nairobi Coffee Exchange (NCE) has announced that the auction will hold its last auction on May 4 before breaking for one month. The main crop season started in November last year with the crop sustaining the market up to this month when the ratio of high-quality beans started dwindling.

#### **Indicative Forex Rates**

	Buy Cash	Sell Cash	Buy TT	Sell TT
USD/KES	112.00	119.00	113.50	118.50
GBP/KES	146.11	154.11	145.81	154.51
EUR/KES	119.99	127.89	120.79	128.29
AED/KES	29.95	32.95	29.45	33.45

Money Market	Current	Previous	Change
Rates			
Interbank Rate	4.360%	4.340%	0.020
91-Day T-bill	7.424%	7.377%	0.047
182-Day T-Bill	8.315%	8.219%	0.096
364-Day T-Bill	9.745%	9.743%	0.002
Inflation	5.560%	5.080%	0.480
CBR RATE	7.000%	7.000%	0.000

## Source; Central Bank of Kenya)

LIBOR Rates	USD	JPY	GBP
6 Months	1.55671	0.03220	1.53840
12 months	2.22157	-	-

(Source: Reuters)

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## **INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

The dollar is up this morning in Asia, while the Japanese yen hit a 20year low against the U.S. currency as Treasury yields remain high. The U.S. Dollar Index that tracks the greenback against a basket of other currencies was up 0.21% to 100.975 by 12:57 PM ET (4:57 AM GMT) while the USD/JPY pair rose 0.92% to 128.13, with Japanese data released earlier in the day showing that industrial production grew 2% month-on-month in February 2022.

The greenback has risen 0.37% on the yen to 127.44 yen in early Asian trading, the highest level since May 2002 and 4.5% on the Japanese currency in April 2022 to date, the second-biggest monthly percentage gain since 2016 behind the previous month's 5.8%. The greenback was also firm against most other currencies and the dollar index was just off Monday's two-year high of 100.86.

In the commodities market Oil prices rose on Tuesday as investors fretted over tight global supply after Libya was forced to halt some exports and as factories in Shanghai prepared to reopen post a COVID-19 shutdown, easing some demand worries. Brent crude futures rose 61 cents, or 0.5%, to \$113.77 a barrel at 0349 GMT, while U.S. West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude futures gained 33 cents, or 0.3%, to \$108.54 a barrel.

On the other hand, Gold was down on Tuesday morning in Asia, after hitting the \$2,000 mark during the previous session. The dollar was near a two-year high and dented the safe-haven yellow metal's appeal. Gold futures were down 0.24% to \$1,981.70 by 11:59 PM ET (3:59 AM GMT), after climbing to \$1,998.10 on Monday as the war in Ukraine continues and inflation concerns mount. But gold gave up most of Monday's gains as the dollar and U.S. 10-year Treasury yields firmed.

Indicative Profit Rates on Deposits				
Amounts > 10 million		Amounts >100,000		
KES		USD		
2 Weeks	6.55%	0.35%		
1 Month	6.75%	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	1.0100	1.1450		
GBP/USD	1.2875	1.3345		
USD/AED	3.6145	3.6950		
USD/JPY	119.45	129.45		

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