

TREASURY MARKET UPDATE 20TH SEPTEMBER 2022

DOMESTIC NEWS

The Kenya shilling weakened on Monday due to increased demand for dollars from across all sectors of the economy and scant inflows.

Commercial banks quoted the shillings at 120.40/60 per dollar compared to Fridays close of 120.30/50.

In other news, the banking sector regulator has so far cleared just three percent of all the 288 applications eyeing the digital loans market, underlying the rigorous licensing process that promises to lock out hundreds of applicants from the lucrative industry.

The Central Bank of Kenya (CBK) said on Monday it had granted licenses to ten players who have been in operation for just over a year, leaving market leaders scrambling to explain their differed approvals. (Business daily)

Indicative Forex Rates

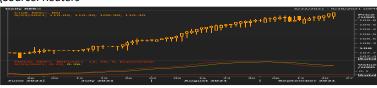
	Buy Cash	Sell Cash	Buy TT	Sell TT
USD/KES	117.10	127.60	116.60	127.10
GBP/KES	133.83	153.33	133.03	147.83
EUR/KES	116.00	141.90	116.30	134.90
AED/KES	28.83	38.83	30.83	38.33

Money Market	Current	Previous	Change
Rates			
Interbank Rate	3.860%	3.990%	0.130
91-Day T-bill	8.950%	8.910%	0.040
182-Day T-Bill	9.615%	9.599%	0.016
364-Day T-Bill	9.913%	9.915%	0.002
Inflation	8.530%	8.320%	0.210
CBR RATE	7.500%	7.500%	0.000

Source; Central Bank of Kenya)

LIBOR Rates	USD	JPY	GBP
6 Months	4.12329	0.05069	3.51810
12 months	4.67214	-	-

(Source: Reuters



INTERNATIONAL NEWS

The dollar remained firm below a two-decade high versus major peers on Tuesday, as investors braced for the Federal Reserve to continue its aggressive interest-rate-hiking campaign to rein in overheated inflation.

The dollar index, which measures the greenback against six counterparts, was little changed at 109.53, stable for the moment after pulling back from as high as 110.79 earlier this month, a level not seen since June 2002.

On the other hand, the euro was little changed at \$1.0030, after grinding slowly higher over the past week and strengthening its position above parity. It dropped as low as \$0.9864 on Sept. 6 for the first time in two decades.

Sterling was flat at \$1.14295, finding its feet after a drop to a 37-year low of \$1.13510 at the end of last week.

Oil prices steadied on Tuesday after rising in the previous session on concerns that further U.S. interest rate hikes this week to tame inflation will curb economic growth and fuel demand in the world's biggest oil consumer.

Brent crude futures for November settlement rose 3 cents to \$92.03 a barrel by 0449 GMT.

U.S. West Texas Intermediate crude for October delivery was at \$85.76 a barrel, up 3 cents. The October contract will expire on Tuesday and the more active November contract was at \$85.29, down 7 cents, or 0.1%.

Gold prices rose slightly on Tuesday but kept to a tight range seen this week as investors held off from making big bets ahead of a U.S. Federal Reserve meeting that is expected to result in an interest rate hike.

Spot gold rose 0.2% to \$1,679.14 an ounce, while gold futures rose 0.6% to \$1,687.85 an ounce by 20:11 ET (00:11 GMT). Both instruments have marked muted moves since Monday after logging steep losses last week.

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	0.9789	1.0295		
GBP/USD	1.1220	1.1703		
USD/AED	3.6530	3.6944		
USD/JPY	141.10	145.90		

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