

TREASURY MARKET UPDATE 23RD JUNE 2022

DOMESTIC NEWS

Kenya shilling weakened slightly on Wednesday as foreign inflows remained insufficient to fulfill demand from importers such as the fuel sector. Commercial banks quoted the shillings at 117.40/60 compared to Tuesdays close of 117.30/50 (Reuters)

In other local news in the market, Kenya's tea export grew by 20 percent in the first quarter of the year backed by good prices, which helped to offset a significant decline in volumes. Data from the Kenya Tea Board (TBK) shows Kenya earned Sh41.1 billion in the period under review when compared with Sh34.3 billion that was realised in the corresponding period a year earlier. The volumes of tea exported in the review period declined by 17 million kilogrammes to 135.4 million Kilos.

Indicative Forex Rates

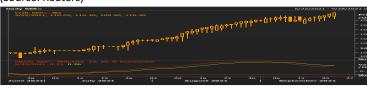
| | Buy Cash | Sell Cash | Buy TT | Sell TT |
|---------|----------|-----------|--------|---------|
| USD/KES | 114.10 | 126.10 | 113.60 | 125.60 |
| GBP/KES | 140.01 | 154.51 | 139.21 | 154.01 |
| EUR/KES | 119.79 | 139.69 | 119.59 | 138.19 |
| AED/KES | 30.52 | 36.52 | 30.02 | 37.52 |

| Money Market | Current | Previous | Change |
|----------------|---------|----------|--------|
| Rates | | | |
| Interbank Rate | 5.250% | 5.300% | 0.050 |
| 91-Day T-bill | 7.925% | 7.866% | 0.067 |
| 182-Day T-Bill | 9.096% | 9.037% | 0.073 |
| 364-Day T-Bill | 9.961% | 9.952% | 0.054 |
| Inflation | 7.080% | 6.500% | 0.580 |
| CBR RATE | 7.500% | 7.000% | 0.500 |

Source; Central Bank of Kenya)

| LIBOR Rates | USD | JPY | GBP |
|-------------|---------|---------|---------|
| 6 Months | 2.84186 | 0.04083 | 2.30110 |
| 12 months | 3.62543 | - | - |

(Source: Reuters)



INTERNATIONAL NEWS

The dollar was down on Thursday morning in Asia amid rising concerns of slowing economic growth after the U.S. Federal Reserve Chair's hawkish testimony.

The U.S. Dollar Index that tracks the greenback against a basket of other currencies inched down 0.07% to 104.13 by 1:08 AM ET (5:08 AM GMT).

Against other major currencies the dollar performed as follows; the pair USD/JPY fell 0.58% to 135.4 while the AUD/USD was down 0.49% to 0.6892.The NZD/USD pair edged down 0.18% to 0.6261,the USD/CNY pair edged up 0.15% to 6.7124, while the GBP/USD pair edged down 0.10% to 1.2254.

Investors are worried that the Fed's commitment to tame red hot inflation could trigger a recession, sending the 10-year Treasury yields to an almost two-week low.

U.S. Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell said that an aggressive interest rate hike could lead to an economic contraction and called a soft landing "very challenging" in his testimony to the Senate Wednesday.

In the commodities market, Gold was down on Thursday morning in Asia as investors expected aggressive interest rate hikes after U.S. Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell said the central bank is fully committed to bringing prices down.

Gold futures were down 0.21% to \$1,834.45 by 12:32 AM ET (4:32 AM GMT). The dollar which normally moves inversely to gold, edged up on Thursday morning.

On the other hand, Oil also dropped as investors are worried that tightening monetary policy could trigger a recession and dampen its demand. Brent oil futures fell 2.31% to \$109.16 by 12:03 AM ET (4:03 AM GMT) and crude oil WTI futures divided 2.61% to \$103.42.

| 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 | 1.0316 | 1.0725 | | |
| GBP/USD | 1.2063 | 1.2460 | | |
| USD/AED | 3.6524 | 3.6933 | | |
| USD/JPY | 133.05 | 136.95 | | |

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