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TREASURY MARKET UPDATE 28TH MARCH 2022

DOMESTIC NEWS

The Kenya shilling inched down to a new all-time low on Friday against the dollar as energy firms and general importers sought hard currencies for their transactions. Commercial banks quoted the shilling at 114.70/90 per dollar compared to Thursday's close of 114.60/80.

In other news in the local markets Treasury is seeking to raise Sh70 billion after opening the sale of its April bond that includes a three-year paper targeting banks whose holdings of government debt have fallen in recent weeks amid a dearth of their preferred short-term securities.

April's bond consists of two tranches of three and 15-year paper, targeting Sh40 billion and Sh30 billion respectively. The funds are meant to go towards ordinary budget financing. The three-year paper is on sale until April 5, while the longer tranche runs until April 19.

Indicative Forex Rates

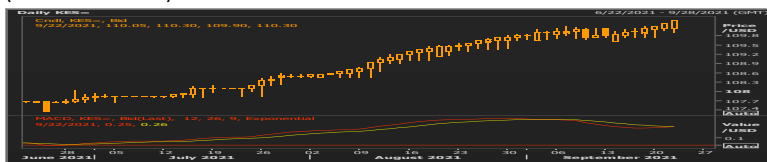
	Buy Cash	Sell Cash	Buy TT	Sell TT
USD/KES	111.25	118.25	112.75	117.75
GBP/KES	146.84	154.84	146.54	155.24
EUR/KES	121.27	129.17	122.07	129.57
AED/KES	29.74	32.74	29.24	33.24

Money Rates	Market	Current	Previous	Change
Interbank Rate		4.34%	4.38%	-0.004
91-Day T-bill		7.283%	7.252%	0.031
182-Day T-Bill		8.134%	8.093%	0.041
364-Day T-Bill		9.767%	9.763%	0.004
Inflation		5.080%	5.390%	-0.310
CBR RATE		7.000%	7.000%	0.000

Source; Central Bank of Kenya)

LIBOR Rates	USD	JPY	GBP
6 Months	1.45114	0.04330	1.44580
12 months	2.08871	-	-

(Source: Reuters)



INTERNATIONAL NEWS

The dollar is up this morning in Asia while the Japanese yen continues with its downward trend after the Bank of Japan stepped into the market to defend its implicit yield cap.

The U.S. Dollar Index Futures that tracks the greenback against a basket of other currencies was up 0.35% to 99.170 by 12:11 AM ET (4:11 AM GMT).

In the Crypto markets, Bitcoin surged 4.41% to \$46,499.29 at 22:07 GMT on Sunday, adding \$1,963.64 to its previous close. It is the world's biggest and best-known cryptocurrency and is up 41.1% from the year's low of \$32,950.72 on Jan. 24. Ether on the other hand a coin linked to the Ethereum blockchain network, surged 3.92% to \$3,270.67 on Sunday, adding \$123.45 to its previous close.

In the commodities markets Oil is down this morning in Asia, tumbling around \$4 as a nine-day lockdown in the Chinese city of Shanghai sparked fuel demand concerns.

Brent oil futures fell 2.68% to \$114.22 by 12:40 PM ET (4:40 AM GMT) and WTI futures slid 3.03% to \$110.45. Both Brent and WTI futures rose 1.4% on Friday, recording their first weekly gains in three weeks. The week ahead looks to be filled with uncertainty, with the war in Ukraine triggered by the Russian invasion of Feb. 24 entering a second month.

Gold was down on Monday morning in Asia, with the resumption of peace talks between Ukraine and Russia denting the yellow metal's safe-haven appeal. Stronger U.S. dollar and higher yields also weighed on it. Gold futures fell 0.54% to \$1,943.6 by 1:04M ET (5:04 AM GMT).

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	1.0297	1.1340
GBP/USD	1.2904	1.3702
USD/AED	3.6235	3.6925
USD/JPY	117.55	125.75

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