

## TREASURY MARKET UPDATE 28TH SEPTEMBER 2022

# DOMESTIC NEWS

The Kenya shilling recovered after touching fresh low against the dollar on Tuesday as hard currency end month demand from manufacturers and oil importers outstripped supply.

Commercial banks quoted the shillings at 120.55/75 per dollar compared to Monday's close of 120.50/70.

In other news, the newly formed Kenya Development Corporation (KDC) has signed a deal with the Capital Markets Authority (CMA) to offer advisory services to listed companies facing turbulent times.

The state agency said yesterday that the memorandum of understanding with regulator will see it take part in helping struggling firms at the bourse recover their footing.

KDC created out of a merger between Industrial and Commercial Development Corporation (ICDC), Tourism Finance Corporation and Industrial Development Bank (IDB) is shaping its mandate of providing long-term financing and other financial, investment and business advisory services. The firm will help the regulator address the problems of companies with perpetual working capital challenges that has affected the attractiveness of the bourse. (Business daily)

## Indicative Forex Rates

	Buy Cash	Sell Cash	Buy TT	Sell TT
USD/KES	117.10	127.60	118.60	126.70
GBP/KES	122.78	136.78	121.48	137.18
EUR/KES	110.88	126.28	110.68	128.18
AED/KES	28.86	38.86	30.86	38.36

	Previous	Change
5.620%	5.430%	0.190
8.951%	8.950%	0.001
9.625%	9.615%	0.010
9.909%	9.913%	0.004
8.530%	8.320%	0.210
7.500%	7.500%	0.000
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Source; Central Bank of Kenya)

LIBOR Rates	USD	JPY	GBP
6 Months	4.24586	0.05171	4.68720
12 months	4.90500	-	-

(Source: Reuters

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#### INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Asian currencies plummeted on Wednesday, while the dollar surged to new 20-year highs on hawkish comments from Federal Reserve officials and growing safe haven demand.

The dollar index jumped 0.4% to a new 20-year high of 114.68, while dollar index futures rose in a similar range. A broad market rout in risk-driven assets also drove haven demand for the greenback.

In the European continent, the pound steadied Tuesday after plunging to a record-low a day earlier, but the respite is likely to run out of steam as some doubt whether a jumbo-sized rate raise including emergency hikes will save the beleaguered currency.

GBP/USD rose 0.33% to \$1.0711, after falling to a record of low of \$1.0384 a day earlier. The respite comes as investors price in the prospect of the Bank of England delivering 1.5% of rate hikes by its November meeting, but that isn't likely to turn the tide for sterling.

In the commodities markets, Oil prices fell more 1% on Wednesday, pressured by a strengthening dollar and crude storage builds that offset support from U.S. production cuts caused by Hurricane Ian.

Brent crude futures fell \$1.08, or 1.3%, to \$85.19 per barrel by 0341 GMT, while U.S. West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude futures were down 99 cents, or 1.3%, at \$77.51 per barrel.

Gold and copper prices were little changed on Wednesday as the dollar remained pinned to 20-year highs amid growing concerns over a looming economic slowdown.

Spot gold was largely unchanged from its previous close at \$1,628.67 an ounce, while gold futures sat at \$1,635.90 an ounce by 19:39 ET (23:39 GMT). Both instruments rose briefly on Tuesday as the dollar retreated from 20-year highs, easing some pressure on gold.

#### 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	0.9358	0.9958		
GBP/USD	1.0420	1.0825		
USD/AED	3.6630	3.6832		
USD/JPY	142.25	146.58		

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