

TREASURY MARKET UPDATE 5TH APRIL 2022

DOMESTIC NEWS

The Kenya shilling was a little changed on Monday and it's expected to weaken further due to general increase in importer dollar demand. Commercial banks quoted the local currency at 115.00/115.20 per dollar compared to Friday close of 114.95/115.15

In the capital markets, foreign investor outflows at the Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE) have surged 60.7 percent in the three months to March, reflecting the impact of ongoing geopolitical tensions. Data shows the bourse has registered Sh1.55 billion net foreign outflows in the three months period ending March 31, compared to Sh967 million in the same period last year. In the consumer commodities locally the price of milk has gone up for the second time in a fortnight leading to panic buying in retail outlets as consumers purchase more stocks for future use as uncertainty looms in the dairy sector. The price of a 500ml packet has now gone up by a further Sh3 across all the brands, subjecting consumers to more pain at a time when they are grappling with an increase in the cost of other basic commodities.

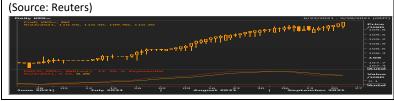
Indicative Forex Rates

	Buy Cash	Sell Cash	Buy TT	Sell TT
USD/KES	111.60	118.60	113.10	118.10
GBP/KES	147.01	155.01	146.71	155.41
EUR/KES	121.80	129.70	122.60	130.10
AED/KES	29.84	32.84	29.34	33.34

Money Market	Current	Previous	Change
Rates			
Interbank Rate	4.79%	4.81%	-0.020
91-Day T-bill	7.302%	7.283%	0.019
182-Day T-Bill	8.164%	8.134%	0.030
364-Day T-Bill	9.752%	9.767%	0.015
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	1.48914	0.04330	1.47920
12 months	2.17157	-	-



INTERNATIONAL NEWS

The dollar gained on Monday, rising for three straight sessions, as civilian killings in north Ukraine and the prospect of increased sanctions pushed investors to seek safety in the greenback. French President Emmanuel Macron called for new sanctions and said there were clear indications Russian forces had committed war crimes in the town of Bucha. The Kremlin however denied any accusations related to the murder of civilians in the town. The U.S. currency also continued to benefit from a strong non-farm payrolls report for March that backed expectations for a hefty half a percentage point tightening by the Federal Reserve at next month's meeting.

In late morning trading, the dollar index, which measures the greenback against a basket of peers rose 0.3% to 98.89. Against the yen, the dollar rose 0.3% to 122.855 yen.

In the commodities markets, Oil futures extended gains on Tuesday as the United States and Europe planned new sanctions to punish Moscow over alleged war crimes by Russian troops in Ukraine, adding to concerns about supply disruptions, while Iran nuclear talks stalled. Brent futures rose \$1.20, or 1.1%, to \$108.73 a barrel, while U.S. West Texas Intermediate futures were up \$1.25, or 1.2%, at \$104.53 a barrel at 0420 GMT.

Gold rose on Monday as investors sought the safe-haven asset amid prospects of Western countries imposing more sanctions on Russia over its invasion of Ukraine and likely higher inflation, though a stronger dollar and rising U.S. Treasury yields capped gains. Spot gold was up 0.4% at \$1,932.78 per ounce by 2:32 p.m. EDT (1832 GMT). U.S. gold futures settled 0.5% at \$1,934.

			
Indicative Pro	ofit Rates on Deposit	S	
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 Cros	s Rates		
	Bid	Offer	
EUR/USD	1.0301	1.1345	
GBP/USD	1.3013	1.3728	
USD/AED	3.6125	3.6900	
USD/JPY	117.56	125.79	

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