

### TREASURY MARKET UPDATE 5TH AUGUST 2022

## **DOMESTIC NEWS**

Kenya shilling weakened to a new all-time low on Thursday as a pickup demand from the oil and manufacturing sectors ahead of general elections on August 9 was not matched by inflows. Commercial banks quoted the shillings at 119.10/30 per dollar compared to Wednesday's close of 119.00/20. (Refinitive)

In other local news, Dividend payout by all of companies listed on the Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE) has risen to a record Sh130.3 billion in their latest respective financial years on the back of earnings recovery from the impact of the Covid-19 scourge.

This represented a 53.5 percent jump from the total payout of Sh84.9 billion a year earlier —which marked a large decline that jolted years of a steady increase in cash distributions.

East African Breweries Plc (EABL), Absa Bank Kenya, and Equity Group are among companies that resumed dividend payouts while others such as Car & General and Carbacid Investments enhanced their payouts, helping to set the new payout record.

#### **Indicative Forex Rates**

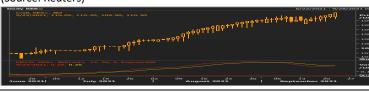
	Buy Cash	Sell Cash	Buy TT	Sell TT
USD/KES	115.75	126.75	115.25	125.75
GBP/KES	140.80	160.30	140.00	154.80
EUR/KES	117.12	143.02	117.42	136.02
AED/KES	28.47	44.47	30.47	37.97

Money Market	Current	Previous	Change
Rates			
Interbank Rate	5.250%	5.150%	0.100
91-Day T-bill	8.473%	8.399%	0.074
182-Day T-Bill	9.400%	9.392%	0.008
364-Day T-Bill	9.920%	9.946%	0.026
Inflation	8.320%	7.910%	0.410
CBR RATE	7.500%	7.500%	0.000

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Source:	Central	Bank	of Kenv	a)

LIBOR Rates	USD	JPY	GBP
6 Months	3.38900	0.04144	2.52760
12 months	3.84314	-	-

# (Source: Reuters)



#### INTERNATIONAL NEWS

The dollar crept higher on Friday but struggled to recoup its losses after falling by its sharpest pace in two weeks, as investors remained on tenterhooks ahead of U.S. jobs data and amid growing worries about a recession.

The U.S. dollar index, which measures the greenback against a basket of currencies, was up 0.15% to 105.86, after sliding 0.68% overnight, the largest fall since July 19.

Against the greenback, euro held steady at around \$1.0237, after surging 0.8% overnight. But the euro's reprieve from recent losses is likely short-lived as concerns about an energy crisis remain.

In the commodities markets, Oil prices steadied in Asia trade on Friday, after hitting their lowest levels since before Russia's February invasion of Ukraine in the previous session, as the market juggled concerns of supply shortage and slower demand.

Brent crude rose 13 cents, or 0.1%, to \$94.25 a barrel by 0330 GMT, while U.S. West Texas Intermediate crude was up 27 cents, or 0.3%, at \$88.81 a barrel.

Oil prices have come under pressure this week as the market fretted over the impact of inflation on economic growth and demand, though signs of tight supply kept a floor under prices.

Gold prices extended gains on Friday and were set to end the week higher amid growing jitters over slowing global growth, while losses in the dollar ahead of U.S. nonfarm payrolls data also helped metals

Most industrial metal prices also rose as losses in the dollar eased some pressure. But they are broadly set to end the week lower after a swathe of weak manufacturing data.

As of 2106 ET (0110 GMT), spot gold was up slightly at 1,792 an ounce, after rallying 1.6% in the prior session. Gold futures were up 0.1% at \$1,808.30.

**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	0.9972	1.0377	
GBP/USD	1.1955	1.2455	
USD/AED	3.6528	3.6931	
USD/JPY	132.40	136.55	

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