

TREASURY MARKET UPDATE 6TH APRIL 2022

DOMESTIC NEWS

The Kenya shilling was steady on Tuesday, but it was expected to loose ground against the dollar undermined by demand from petroleum companies. Commercial banks quoted the local currency at 115.00/115.20 per dollar same as Mondays close.

In other market news Local listed banks nearly trebled their dividend payout for the 2021 financial year, rewarding shareholders who have seen a mixed performance in capital gains on their stock in the period. The nine lenders, including Equity , KCB , and Co-op Bank , have proposed to pay their shareholders Sh51.7 billion for the period, up from Sh18.8 billion in 2020. The payout marks a new record, surpassing the previous peak of Sh31.7 billion seen in 2019.

Elsewhere the agriculture ministry has proposed a one-month window for the importation of milk to address the current shortage that has seen the price of the commodity rise significantly.

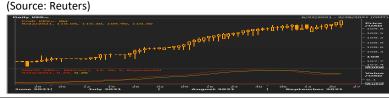
Indicative Forex Rates

| | Buy Cash | Sell Cash | Buy TT | Sell TT |
|---------|----------|-----------|--------|---------|
| USD/KES | 111.65 | 118.65 | 113.15 | 118.15 |
| GBP/KES | 146.44 | 154.44 | 146.14 | 154.84 |
| EUR/KES | 121.06 | 128.96 | 121.86 | 129.36 |
| AED/KES | 29.85 | 32.85 | 29.35 | 33.35 |

| Money Market | Current | Previous | Change |
|----------------|---------|----------|--------|
| Rates | | | |
| Interbank Rate | 4.79% | 4.79% | 0.000 |
| 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 | 1.49271 | 0.04330 | 1.47610 |
| 12 months | 2.20143 | - | - |



INTERNATIONAL NEWS

The dollar edged up to its highest level in nearly two years on Wednesday after jumping overnight on more hawkish comments from a Federal Reserve official, while the euro was hurt by the prospect of new Western sanctions on Russia.

The dollar index, which measures the greenback against six peers, gained 0.15% in early trade to 99.620, its highest level since May 2020.

The index gained 0.5% on Tuesday after Fed Governor Lael Brainard said she expects a combination of interest rate increases and a rapid balance sheet runoff to bring U.S. monetary policy to a "more neutral position" later this year, with further tightening to follow as needed.

In the commodities market Oil futures were mixed on Wednesday, recovering from early losses, as the threat of new sanctions on Russia raised supply concerns, countering fears of weaker demand following a build in U.S. crude stockpiles and Shanghai's extended lockdown. Brent crude futures were up 11 cents, or 0.1%, at \$106.75 a barrel as of 0339 GMT, having fallen to \$105.06 earlier in the session. U.S. West Texas Intermediate futures fell 11 cents, or 0.1%, to \$101.85 a barrel, after dipping to as low as \$100.37 in an early trade. Gold was down on Wednesday morning in Asia, easing as the dollar was boosted by hawkish comments from U.S. Federal Reserve officials, and U.S. Treasury yields hit multi-year highs. Gold futures were down 0.23% to \$1,923 by 11:56 PM ET (3:56 AM GMT). The dollar, which usually moves inversely to gold, edged up on Wednesday to a near two-year high as the Fed works towards quickly reducing its bloated balance sheet.

| 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 | 1.0300 | 1.1340 | | |
| GBP/USD | 1.3010 | 1.3725 | | |
| USD/AED | 3.6125 | 3.6900 | | |
| USD/JPY | 117.56 | 125.79 | | |

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