DAILY MARKET BRIEF



18 October 2021

Today's Indicative Exchange Rate for SWIFT transfers:

	Against USD		Against KES		
	Bid	Ask	Bid	Ask	
USD	-	-	110.30	111.50	
GBP	1.3682	1.3782	150.91	153.67	
EUR	1.1531	1.1631	127.19	129.69	
JPY	113.31	114.81	0.9607	0.9840	
AED	3.49	3.69	29.89	31.95	
AUD	0.7352	0.7452	81.09	83.09	
ZAR	13.66	15.16	7.28	8.16	
UGX	3460	3710	31.03	33.64	

Kenya Shilling: The Kenya shilling was steady on Friday amid matched dollar demand and supply,

Money-Market: The overnight rate rose to 4.2534% on a volume of Kes.8.800B compared to Kes.13.285B posted in the previous session.

Global Trends:

EUR: The euro kept treading water on both sides, unable to take advantage of a weaker US dollar. The common currency bounced up from year-to-date lows.

GBP: The British pound rallied on Friday to break above 1.3750, reaching 1.3775 for the first time since mid-September. The sterling extended its recovery for the second consecutive week.

JPY: The yen dipped against dollar on Friday as longer-dated Treasury yields dipped after U.S. inflation data showed prices rose solidly last month,

GOLD: Gold ran into "massive resistance" at the \$1,800 an ounce level, triggering a \$30 retreat Friday. And analysts say that gold won't commit to a rally until there is enough interest to take gold past its key technical barriers.

OIL: Oil prices settled at a three-year high above \$85 a barrel on Friday, boosted by forecasts of a supply deficit in the next few months as the easing of coronavirus-related travel restrictions spurs demand..

Market Summary:

-	15.10	14.10	13.10	12.10	11.10
Interbank Rate (%)	4.2534	3.6388	5.1410	5.4439	6.0205
NSE 20 Share index	1,970.44	1,972.91	1,974.15	1,981.44	1,992.92
Oil (\$)	85.73	84.62	83.76	83.29	83.61
Gold (\$)	1,767.83	1,795.03	1,788.66	1,761.72	1,758.03

Inflation & CBR

	Sep	Aug	Jul	Jun	May
Inflation rate	6.9%	6.6%	6.40%	6.30%	5.90%
CBR rate	7.00%	7.00%	7.00%	7.00%	7.00%

Libor Rates (%)

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Tenure	USD	GBP	EUR
O/N	0.07363	0.04000	-0.58129
1M	0.09025	0.07125	-0.57200
3M	0.12375	0.12513	-0.56871
6M	0.15675	0.27250	-0.54086

Deposit Rates (> 20M)

Tenure	Rate
Call	3.00%
1M	5.00%
3M	6.00%
6M	7.00%

Treasury Bills

	Current rate	Previous rate
91-day	6.952%	6.935%
182-day	7.428%	7.316%
364-day	8.225%	8.028%

Highlight of the Day:

USD: The dollar edged lower against a basket of major currencies on Friday, on track to end its five-week winning streak, as global risk appetite rebounded, helping reduce demand for the safe-haven currency.

The consumer price index rose 0.4% last month, versus a 0.3% rise expected by economists polled by Reuters. In the 12 months through September, the CPI increased 5.4%, up from a 5.3% year-on-year advance in August.

Sources: Bloomberg, FXStreet, Reuters, Global-rates, CBK, EconoTimes, YahooFinance,CNBC.

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