DAILY MARKET BRIEF



29 October 2021

Today's Indicative Exchange Rate for SWIFT transfers:

	Against USD		Against KES		
	Bid	Ask	Bid	Ask	
USD	-	-	110.60	112.60	
GBP	1.3748	1.3848	152.05	155.93	
EUR	1.1626	1.1726	128.58	132.03	
JPY	112.66	114.16	0.9688	0.9995	
AED	3.49	3.69	29.97	32.26	
AUD	0.7504	0.7604	82.99	85.62	
ZAR	14.12	15.62	7.08	7.97	
UGX	3405	3655	30.24	33.05	

Kenya Shilling: The Kenya shilling edged down on Thursday due to low dollar inflows amid sharp demand from importers

Money-Market: The overnight rate fell to 4.8160% on a volume of Kes.5.000B compared to Kes.11.550B posted in the previous session.

Global Trends:

EUR: The euro declined on Thursday as market participants waited for a meeting of the European Central Bank later in the day to hear its comments about the inflation outlook.

GBP: Sterling firmed a touch on Thursday against the euro and the dollar as investors assessed whether the Bank of England would proceed with an interest rate hike at the upcoming meetings.

JPY: The yen gained against the dollar on Thursday as the Bank of Japan kept policy steady as expected.

GOLD: Gold rose on Thursday, hovering above the \$1,800 mark as softer U.S. Treasury yields lifted its appeal, while investors await the European Central Bank's remarks on inflation and policy outlook when it meets later in the day.

OIL: Oil prices slumped to their lowest in two weeks after official figures showed a surprise jump in U.S. inventories of crude, and rising cases of COVID-19 in Europe, Russia, and some outbreaks of infections in China dented hopes for an economic recovery.

Market Summary:

-	28.10	27.10	26.10	25.10	22.10
Interbank Rate (%)	4.8160	4.9042	4.9800	5.0244	4.9860
NSE 20 Share index	1,960.30	1,955.23	1,946.97	1,945.20	1,960.75
Oil (\$)	84.51	82.81	85.86	86.13	86.24
Gold (\$)	1,795.02	1,800.29	1,787.13	1,803.17	1,798.47

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 (%)

Libor races (70)				
Tenure	USD	GBP	EUR	
O/N	0.06950	0.04038	-0.57743	
1M	0.08700	0.12275	-0.57114	
3M	0.12863	0.20363	-0.56157	
6M	0.17963	0.40263	-0.53943	

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	7.040%	7.020%
182-day	7.486%	7.417%
364-day	8.489%	8.355%

Highlight of the Day:

USD: The U.S. dollar lost value against major currencies on Wednesday as the Bank of Canada started off a series of awaited central bank policy comments that could bring more volatility to what had been a relatively steady market.

The moves took the U.S. dollar index down 0.2% to 93.73 and as the dollar weakened against the Canadian dollar, euro and Japanese yen.

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

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