

## DAILY FX NEWSLETTER

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#### **Local Markets:**

The Kenyan shilling strengthened on Thursday, underpinned by tightening liquidity in the local money market and inflows from remittances by Kenyans working abroad.

#### **Indicative FX rates as at 8.30am:**

Currency	Buying	Selling	Currency	Today	Previous
<b>USD/KES</b>	101.35	102.00			
<b>GBP/KES</b>	133.10	134.05	<b>GBP/USD</b>	1.3165	1.3150
<b>EUR/KES</b>	112.40	113.45	<b>EUR/USD</b>	1.1120	1.1095
<b>INR/KES</b>		1.4375	<b>AUD/USD</b>	0.6852	0.6855
			<b>USD/INR</b>	71.20	71.40
			<b>Commodities</b>		
			<b>Gold</b>	1475	1477
			<b>Brent Crude</b>	63.17	62.87

#### **T-Bills Rates:**

Duration	Current	Previous
91 Days	7.162%	7.162%
182 Days	8.201%	8.204%
364 Days	9.804%	9.803%

#### **Top News:**

- Asian stocks gained on Friday as investors took heart from U.S. President Donald Trump saying trade talks with China were "moving right along", and U.S. oil prices sat near 2-1/2-month highs after OPEC and other producers agreed to cut output.
- Oil slipped in early Asian trade on Friday, with U.S. crude moving further away from a two-month high after OPEC agreed to increase output curbs in early 2020 but failed to promise further steps after March

#### **International Markets:**

**USD:** The dollar nursed a week of losses on Friday, hit by nervousness on trade and mixed signals about the U.S. economy. The safe havens of the Japanese yen and Swiss franc were in demand as a hedge against Sino-U.S. trade talks collapsing, and as investors fretted that U.S. jobs figures due later in the day may fail to deliver an expected rebound.

**GBP:** GBP/USD bulls catch a breath around seven-month high. UK PM gets the beating for criticizing the Labor's "Final Say" referendum, avoiding BBC/ITV debates. UK housing data, British politics could entertain markets ahead of US employment data. GBP/USD seesaws around 1.3160 while heading into the London open on Friday. The quote surged for consecutive seven days till Thursday as it touched the May month top.

**EUR:** EUR/USD traders above 100-day EMA for the first time since early-November. Buyers look for entry beyond a medium-term long falling resistance line. 38.2% Fibonacci adds to the immediate support that holds the gate for fresh declines. EUR/USD trades with modest gains to 1.1100 during early Friday in Asia. In doing so, the pair remains beyond 100-day Exponential Moving Average (EMA) for the first time in a month amid a bullish signal from 12-bar Moving Average Convergence and Divergence (MACD).

**INR:** USD/INR bounces off early-November lows. RBI's surprise pause in rate cut dragged the quote down the previous day. Markets await the key US data amid optimistic forecasts. USD/INR takes the bids to 71.35 by the press time of the pre-European session on Friday. The pair earlier dropped to the lowest since November 11 on Thursday after the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) beat market forecasts by not announcing any rate cuts.

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