

# DAILY FOREX NEWSLETTE

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## Local Markets:

The Kenyan shilling weakened on Tuesday to a new all-time low due to increased dollar demand from fuel companies and listed banks and telecoms firms preparing to pay dividends,

## Top News:

- Asian share markets were gaining ground on Wednesday as the risk appetite of global investors rises heading into year-end, despite the surging number of Omicron variant cases around the world.
- Oil prices firmed on Wednesday over fears of a potential supply shock as the United States banned Russian oil imports, and amid signs that some buyers are already shunning them.

## International Markets

**USD:** The dollar was down on Wednesday morning in Asia, while the euro took a breather. Commodity currencies also fell from recent highs, as investors calculate that sky-high energy, grains, and metals prices could decrease demand in the long run.#

**GBP:** GBP/USD prints the first daily gains in four, bounces off 16-month low. Multiple hurdles to the north challenge the pair's further recovery amid sluggish Momentum line. GBP/USD bears take a breather around 1.3120 as the quote snaps a three-day downtrend heading into Wednesday's London open.

**EUR:** EUR/USD fades the previous day's rebound from 22-month low, sidelined of late. Softer yields, cautious optimism weigh on DXY as markets await Thursday's Russia-Ukraine peace talks in Turkey. Fears of more economic hardships for the bloc, higher inflation keep EUR bears hopeful. EUR/USD treads water around 1.0900 as traders take a sigh of relief, at least for now, from the Ukraine-Russia tensions during early Wednesday morning in Europe. Even so, anxiety ahead of Thursday's key meeting in Ankara and fears of stagflation keeps the pair seller's hopeful

**INR:** USD/INR hits all-time high at 77.17 on rising crude oil prices and consistent withdrawal from FIIs. The Indian rupee will continue to depreciate further as a rally in oil prices is far from over. The expectation of stagflation in Europe is haunting the developing economies. The USD/INR has claimed an all-time high of 77.17 on Tuesday as the rising crude oil prices have trimmed the potential of the Indian rupee against the mighty greenback.

## Indicative FX rates as at 8.30am:

Currency	Buying	Selling	Currency	Today	Previous
<b>USD/KES</b>	112.40	115.00			
<b>GBP/KES</b>	145.70	151.40	<b>GBP/USD</b>	1.3160	1.3133
<b>EUR/KES</b>	121.10	125.90	<b>EUR/USD</b>	1.0965	1.0895
<b>INR/KES</b>		1.5150	<b>AUD/USD</b>	0.7320	0.7330
			<b>USD/INR</b>	76.60	76.76
			<b>Commodities</b>		
			<b>Gold</b>	2055	1990
			<b>Brent Crude</b>	130.95	125.81

## T-Bills Rates:

Duration	Current	Previous
91 Days	7.265%	7.254%
182 Days	8.063%	8.062%
364 Days	9.774%	9.764%

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