

DAILY FOREX NEWSLETTER

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The Kenyan shilling hit a new low against the dollar early on Wednesday before recovering, but it was expected to soon weaken again because of dollar demand from the manufacturing and energy sectors.

Top News:

- Shares in the Asia-Pacific traded mostly lower with the Hang Seng Index falling 2.5% as Chinese technology stocks saw sharp losses after Tencent announced to slash its over \$20 billion-stake in Mantuan.
- Oil prices fell for a second day in early Asian trade on Thursday as concerns over geopolitical tensions eased and rising numbers of Covid-19 cases in China added to demand worries in the world's largest crude importer.

International Markets

USD: The dollar was supported by stronger-than-expected U.S. retail sales data on Wednesday as investors also looked for clues from Federal Reserve speakers on the path for interest rates.

GBP: GBPUSD bounces off intraday low but snaps two-day uptrend. Bearish RSI divergence, lower-high formation teases sellers. Weekly support line, 100-HMA challenges immediate downside. GBPUSD pares the first daily loss in three around 1.1880 heading into Thursday's London open. In doing so, the Cable pair bounces off the intraday low but stays on the seller's radar while printing a bearish divergence on the Relative Strength Index (RSI) placed at 14.

EUR: EURUSD remains pressured around intraday low, snaps two-day uptrend. Downside break of immediate support line joins bearish oscillators to keep seller's hopeful. Bullish triangle challenges the downside bias beyond 1.0290 support. EURUSD justifies immediate support break to welcome bears after a two-day uptrend. That said, the Euro pair drops 0.25% intraday as sellers flirt with the 1.0370 level during early Thursday.

INR: USDINR rises for the fourth consecutive day despite easing from intraday high of late. China-linked fears join a rebound in the US Treasury yields to favour bulls. Sluggish markets and lack of major data/events challenge upside momentum. USDINR retreats from intraday high but flashes a four-day winning streak around 81.55 during early Thursday. In doing so, the Indian Rupee (INR) pair fails to cheer downbeat oil prices amid the recent rebound in the US Dollar.

Indicative FX rates as at 8.30am:

Currency	Buying	Selling	Currency	Today	Previous
USD/KES	120.00	126.00			
GBP/KES	141.00	150.20	GBP/USD	1.1940	1.1895
EUR/KES	123.00	130.95	EUR/USD	1.0425	1.0395
INR/KES		1.5685	AUD/USD	0.6755	0.6795
			USD/INR	80.45	80.50
			Commodities		
			Gold	1762	1773
			Brent Crude	91.83	93.27

T-Bills Rates:

Duration	Current	Previous
91 Days	9.173%	9.139%
182 Days	9.706%	9.691%
364 Days	10.186%	10.109%

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