

DAILY FOREX NEWSLETTER

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The Kenya's shilling was steady on Thursday and expected to weaken due to increased dollar demand from oil marketing companies, amid low inflows.

Top News:

- Shares in the Asia-Pacific were mostly lower as markets in the U.S. were closed for the Thanksgiving holiday and slated to end its session early on Friday.
- Oil prices rose in Asia on Friday, despite thin market liquidity, after a week marked by worries about Chinese demand and haggling over a Western price cap on Russian oil.

International Markets

USD: Most Asian currencies fell on Friday as concerns over worsening COVID-19 conditions in China dented sentiment, although several regional units were still set for a stronger week as signals on smaller interest rate hikes by the Federal Reserve weighed on the dollar.

GBP: GBP/USD holds steady above 1.2100 as the US Dollar stalls decline. Mixed sentiment amid dovish Fed and China's covid woes cap GBP/USD's upside. 200DMA at 1.2185 remains a tough nut to crack for GBP/USD bulls. GBP/USD is easing from three-month highs of 1.2153, as bulls take a breather on Black Friday. Amid extended holiday-thinned market conditions, the US Dollar has stalled its decline, as end-of-the-week repositioning seems to be in play.

EUR: EUR/USD has turned sideways above 1.0400 due to less trading activity amid Thanksgiving Day. Federal Reserve is set to ditch the 75-bps rate hike measure to safeguard the economy from financial risks. European Central Bank is bound to tighten policy further to slow down inflationary pressures. EUR/USD is likely to remain in the grip of bulls as the risk appetite theme has not faded yet. EUR/USD is displaying a lackluster performance in the Tokyo session after resurfacing from the critical support of 1.0382. The Euro pair is oscillating above the round-level support of 1.0400. The major is awaiting a potential trigger for a fresh impetus as the market mood is extremely quiet amid the holiday in the United States on account of Thanksgiving Day.

INR: The Indian rupee firmed 0.11% per dollar, as most Asian currencies gained against a weaker greenback, but the local currency stopped short of breaching a key resistance level.

Indicative FX rates as at 8.30am:

Currency	Buying	Selling	Currency	Today	Previous
USD/KES	120.80	126.40			
GBP/KES	144.00	153.40	GBP/USD	1.2145	1.1898
EUR/KES	124.00	132.20	EUR/USD	1.0484	1.0345
INR/KES		1.5685	AUD/USD	0.6795	0.6685
			USD/INR	80.61	80.65
			Commodities		
			Gold	1755	1743
			Brent Crude	85.26	88.19

T-Bills Rates:

Duration	Current	Previous
91 Days	9.237%	9.191%
182 Days	9.733%	9.721%
364 Days	10.219%	10.181%

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