

# DAILY FOREX NEWSLETTER

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The Kenya's shilling weakened on Friday due to increased importer demand for dollars, especially from the energy sector.

### Top News:

- Asian shares hit two-month lows on Monday as markets were forced to price in ever-loftier peaks for U.S. and European interest rates, slugging bonds globally and underpinning the dollar near multi-week highs.
- Oil prices inched lower in volatile trade on Monday, as a stronger dollar and fears of recession risks offset gains arising from Russia's plans to deepen oil supply cuts.

### International Markets

**USD:** Most Asian currencies fell on Monday, while the dollar held near a two-month high after hotter-than-expected U.S. inflation data saw markets pricing in more interest rate hikes by the Federal Reserve this year.

**GBP:** GBP/USD fades bounce off a seven-week-old ascending support line. Oversold RSI challenges sellers but bearish MACD signals, sustained trading below 200-SMA keeps buyers off the table. UK PM Rishi Sunak, European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen's Brexit deal news is key. GBP/USD portrays the prevent anxiety as it wobbles around mid-1.1900s ahead of the key Brexit announcements scheduled for release during early Monday.

**EUR:** EUR/USD has turned sideways as investors await US Durable Goods Orders data for fresh impetus. Rising wage offerings by US firms to acquire talent in a tight labor market has propelled households' spending. A range shift move by the RSI (14) indicates that the downside momentum has been triggered. The EUR/USD pair is displaying a lackluster performance around 1.0550 in the Asian session. The volatility in the major currency pair has squeezed after a sheer downside inspired by the surprise jump in the United States consumer spending data released on Friday.

**INR:** USD/INR struggles for clear directions after five-week uptrend, grinds higher of late. Hawkish Fed concerns, upbeat US Treasury bond yields underpin US Dollar strength. RBI's hawkish mood contrasts with fears of easy growth figures to weigh on Indian Rupee. US data, risk catalysts eyed for clear directions past India Q3 GDP. USD/INR seesaws around 82.90 as bulls take a breather following a five-week winning streak during early Monday. In doing so, the Indian Rupee (INR) pair portrays the traders' anxiety ahead of the key third quarter (Q3) Indian Gross Domestic Product (GDP) for the Fiscal Year 2023 (FY2023).

### Indicative FX rates as at 8.30am:

Currency	Buying	Selling	Currency	Today	Previous
<b>USD/KES</b>	125.80	135.60			
<b>GBP/KES</b>	153.60	162.30	<b>GBP/USD</b>	1.1985	1.2055
<b>EUR/KES</b>	135.60	143.20	<b>EUR/USD</b>	1.0585	1.0645
<b>INR/KES</b>		1.6525	<b>AUD/USD</b>	0.6746	0.6842
			<b>USD/INR</b>	81.91	81.75
			<b>Commodities</b>		
			<b>Gold</b>	1808	1824
			<b>Brent Crude</b>	82.94	82.89

### T-Bills Rates:

Duration	Current	Previous
91 Days	9.655%	9.623%
182 Days	10.117%	10.079%
364 Days	10.676%	10.638%

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