

# DAILY FOREX NEWSLETTER

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2023

The Kenya's shilling was little changed on Friday, but it was likely to weaken due to increased dollar demand from oil retailers and low inflows of the U.S. currency.

### International Markets

- Asia-Pacific markets largely fell on Monday, with Japan's markets hovering near 33-year highs.
- European markets are heading for a negative open at the start of the new trading week as investors remain jittery over the economic outlook.

**USD:** Most Asian currencies fell on Monday amid growing uncertainty over U.S. monetary policy and interest rate hikes, with the Chinese yuan retreating ahead of a widely expected rate cut this week.

**GBP:** GBP/USD retreats from the highest levels since April 2022, snaps four-day uptrend. Confirmation of bearish chart pattern, downbeat MACD signals conditions suggest further declines of the Cable pair. Multiple key supports, hawkish hopes from BoE prod Pound Sterling sellers. Bulls need sustained break of 1.2850 to register further upside. GBP/USD sellers prod intraday low of around 1.2810 heading into Monday's London open, printing the first daily loss in five at the highest levels in 14 months.

**EUR:** EUR/USD is showing non-directional performance as the street is divided about further interest rate roadmap by the Fed.S&P500 futures are showing some losses as investors are cautious due to an extended weekend in the US.ECB hiked interest rates by 25 bps to 4% despite severe challenges to Eurozone's growth. The EUR/USD pair is oscillating in a narrow range around 1.0940 in the late Asian session. The major currency pair is demonstrating a non-directional performance as the street is divided about the further roadmap of interest rate policy to be attempted by the Federal Reserve (Fed).

**INR:** The Indian rupee inched lower on Monday, tracking the decline on Asian peers, while traders eyed clues on the Federal Reserve rate hike path this year from its chief's congressional testimony this week.

### Indicative FX rates as at 8.30am:

Currency	Buying	Selling	Currency	Today	Previous
<b>USD/KES</b>	138.50	142.10			
<b>GBP/KES</b>	177.80	182.50	<b>GBP/USD</b>	1.2835	1.2845
<b>EUR/KES</b>	151.70	155.80	<b>EUR/USD</b>	1.0957	1.0983
<b>INR/KES</b>		1.7385	<b>AUD/USD</b>	0.6894	0.6940
			<b>USD/INR</b>	81.75	81.55
			<b>Commodities</b>		
			<b>Gold</b>	1957	1956
			<b>Brent Crude</b>	75.57	75.44

### T-Bills Rates:

Duration	Current	Previous
91 Days	11.640%	11.414%
182 Days	11.649%	11.548%
364 Days	11.734%	11.608%

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