

DAILY FOREX NEWSLETTER

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The Kenyan shilling slipped on Thursday, extending a long-running slide as foreign-currency demand outstripped meagre inflows.

International Markets

- Gold prices climbed 1% on Thursday after data showed U.S. weekly jobless claims surged last week, cementing expectations that the Federal Reserve will pause its interest rate hiking cycle.
- Oil Asia-Pacific markets traded mostly higher after the S&P 500 closed at a new high for 2023 and the Dow Jones Industrial Average saw a third straight day of gains.

USD: Most Asian currencies retreated on Friday as weak Chinese inflation data pushed up concerns over slowing growth in Asia's largest economy, while the dollar steadied after steep overnight losses as a Federal Reserve meeting loomed.

GBP: GBP/USD pares the biggest daily jump in three months at monthly peak. 12-day-old bullish channel, upbeat oscillators keep buyer's hopeful. RSI conditions suggest retreat in Cable prices before the next run-up. GBP/USD buyers take a breather at the highest level in one month, making rounds to 1.2550 during early Friday morning in Europe. In doing so, the Cable bulls pause after posting the biggest daily gain since early March the previous day.

EUR: EUR/USD clings to mild losses while paring the biggest daily jump in 11 weeks. IMF urges Fed to keep fighting inflation, German FinMin flags deadlock on EU fiscal rules reform. Risk appetite remains dicey ahead of next week's US Inflation, Fed and ECB. Sluggish markets may allow Euro buyers to take a breather, but bear's return appears doubtful. EUR/USD remains sidelined near 1.0780-75 as it consolidates the biggest daily jump since March heading into Friday's European session.

INR: USD/INR is seen consolidating in a narrow band around mid-82.00s on Friday. The technical setup favours bulls and supports prospects for additional gains. A convincing break below the 200- SMA is needed to negate the positive bias. The USD/INR pair oscillates in a narrow trading band through the Asian session on Friday and is currently placed around the 82.50 region, nearly unchanged for the day.

Indicative FX rates as at 8.30am:

Currency	Buying	Selling	Currency	Today	Previous
USD/KES	137.00	140.80			
GBP/KES	170.90	175.60	GBP/USD	1.2590	1.2497
EUR/KES	148.00	152.20	EUR/USD	1.0795	1.0745
INR/KES		1.7120	AUD/USD	0.6745	0.6705
			USD/INR	82.12	82.07
			Commodities		
			Gold	1964	1946
			Brent Crude	75.51	76.79

T-Bills Rates:

Duration	Current	Previous
91 Days	11.103%	10.832%
182 Days	11.112%	10.113%
364 Days	11.497%	11.457%

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