

# DAILY FOREX NEWSLETTER

Thursday 27th July 2023

The Kenya's shilling was unchanged on Wednesday, but it was forecast to lose ground due to increased demand for dollars from the manufacturing sector, which is outpacing inflows from remittances.

## Indicative FX rates as at 8.30am:

Currency	Buying	Selling	Currency	Today	Previous
<b>USD/KES</b>	141.00	144.60			
<b>GBP/KES</b>	182.70	187.40	<b>GBP/USD</b>	1.2992	1.2945
<b>EUR/KES</b>	156.50	160.60	<b>EUR/USD</b>	1.1145	1.1095
<b>INR/KES</b>		1.7710	<b>AUD/USD</b>	0.6846	0.6797
			<b>USD/INR</b>	81.55	81.45
			<b>Commodities</b>		
			<b>Gold</b>	1976	1964
			<b>Brent Crude</b>	83.71	83.13

## T-Bills Rates:

Duration	Current	Previous
91 Days	12.233%	12.109%
182 Days	12.322%	12.271%
364 Days	12.708%	12.452%

## International Markets

- The dollar was on the back foot on Thursday after the Federal Reserve delivered what some expected to be its last rate hike, while market focus shifted across the Atlantic to the European Central Banks, or ECB, rate decision later in the day
- Asia-Pacific shares rose Thursday after the U.S. Federal Reserve raised rates to their highest level in more than 22 years while leaving the door open for further tightening.

**USD:** Most Asian currencies rose on Thursday, benefiting from weakness in the dollar after the Federal Reserve hiked interest rates as expected, but also downplayed expectations for a U.S. recession this year.

**GBP:** GBP/USD scales higher for the third straight day and climbs to over a one-week high. The ongoing USD retracement slide from a two-week top act as a tailwind for the pair. Diminishing odds for more aggressive rate hikes by BoE warrant some caution for bulls. The GBP/USD pair builds on this week's goodish rebound from sub-1.2800 levels and gains some follow-through positive traction for the third successive day on Thursday.

**EUR:** EUR/USD scales higher for the second straight day and draws support from sustained USD selling. Bets that the Fed will soon end its rate-hiking cycle and the upbeat market mood undermine the buck. Investors now look to the crucial ECB meeting for a fresh impetus ahead of the key US macro data. The EUR/USD pair gains some positive traction for the second straight day on Thursday and moves back above the 1.1100 round-figure mark during the Asian session.

**INR:** The Indian rupee opened marginally higher against the US dollar, tracking gains in the local equities and Asian currencies market. At 9.10 am, the rupee was trading at 81.92 to a dollar, up 0.10 percent from its previous close.

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