

The Kenya's shilling was little changed on Thursday, but traders predicted that it would soon lose ground again on pent-up dollar demand from the manufacturing and fuel sectors.

<b>Indicative</b>	FX rates	as at	8.30am:

Currency	Buying	Selling	Currency	<b>Today</b>	Previous
USD/KES	141.00	144.60			
GBP/KES	180.30	185.00	GBP/USD	1.2845	1.2992
EUR/KES	154.70	158.80	EUR/USD	1.1045	1.1145
INR/KES		1.7710	AUD/USD	0.6720	0.6846
			USD/INR	81.75	81.55
			Commodities		
			Gold	1952	1976
			Brent Crude	83.86	83.71

## T-Bills Rates:

Duration	Current	Previous
91 Days	12.352%	12.233%
182 Days	12.392%	12.322%
364 Days	12.728%	12.708%

## **International Markets**

- Oil prices fell in early Asian trade on Friday as demand concerns weighed against strong economic data.
- Japan's Nikkei 225 led losses in Asia as the Bank of Japan adjusted its stance on its yield curve control policy Friday.
  The benchmark index fell 1.66%, while the Topic saw a smaller loss of 1.53%.

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INR: USD/INR snaps three-day winning streak while consolidating recovery from 12-week low. Upbeat oscillators, sustained trading above the key EMAs, support lines keep Indian Rupee bears hopeful. Sustained downsides break of multi-day-old symmetrical triangle becomes necessary for pair sellers to retake control. Bulls have a bumpy road to travel as 23.6% Fibonacci retracement guard's immediate upside. USD/INR pares the first weekly gain in three while posting mild losses around 82.20 on Friday morning in India

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