



# GLOBAL MARKETS NEWSLETTER

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## Local Markets:

The Kenyan shilling was steady on Monday as dollar supplies from the tourism sector matched local demand from manufacturers and oil marketers.

Today's expected USD/KES trading range is 128.80/130.30

## Indicative FX rates as at 8.30am:

Currency	Buying	Selling	Currency	Today	Previous
USD/KES	128.80	130.30			
GBP/KES	162.90	165.30	GBP/USD	1.2679	1.2725
EUR/KES	135.10	137.20	EUR/USD	1.0519	1.0558
INR/KES		1.5436	USD/INR	84.21	84.37
			AUD/USD	0.6494	0.6524
			Commodities		
			Gold	2640.34	2628.05
			Brent Crude	71.95	72.24

## Benchmark Rates:

Tenor	Current	Previous	Next meeting
91 Days	11.2500%	12.0340%	-
182 Days	11.3377%	12.2095%	-
364 Days	12.4903%	13.2949%	-
KES INFLATION	2.720%	3.600%	5 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 24
KES CBR	12.00%	13.00%	
FED RATE	4.50%	4.75%	
ECB RATE	3.25%	4.00%	
BOE RATE	4.75%	5.00%	
RBI RATE	6.50%	6.50%	

## Top News

**Oil:** West Texas Intermediate (WTI) US Crude Oil prices struggle to gain any meaningful traction on Tuesday and oscillate in a range below the \$68.00/barrel mark during the Asian session.

**Asia-Pacific markets:** Most Asian currencies extended declines on Tuesday with the Chinese yuan hitting a one-year low, as markets assessed the impact of new U.S. export restrictions targeting China's semiconductor industry.

## International Markets

**USD:** The dollar is now in overstretched territory, following its latest Trump-fueled surge, UBS warns. The warning comes after the DXY dollar index rose around 0.5% on Monday to above 106 points, following President-elect Donald Trump's threats of 100% import tariffs on BRICS nations.

**GBP:** The GBP/USD pair remains on the defensive through the Asian session on Tuesday, albeit it lacks follow-through selling and currently trades just below mid-1.2600s. Nevertheless, the data still points to weakening consumer confidence and undermines the British Pound (GBP). This, along with a modest US Dollar (USD) uptick, is seen acting as a headwind for the GBP/USD pair.

**EUR:** EUR/USD kicked off another trading week with a decline back into familiar near-term lows, flubbing a fresh run at the 1.0600 handle and backsliding into 1.0500, shedding nearly eight-tenths of a percent on Monday.

**INR:** The Indian Rupee (INR) remains under pressure on Tuesday after depreciating to a fresh all-time low in the previous session. The disappointing Indian macroeconomic data, persistent foreign fund outflows and the renewed Greenback demand continue to undermine the local currency. The US President-elect Donald Trump on Saturday threatened a 100% tariff on the BRICS nations if they act to undermine the US Dollar (USD). This, in turn, could weigh on the INR against the Greenback.

Source: Reuters.

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