

# GLOBAL MARKETS NEWSLETTER

## Local Markets:

The Kenyan shilling was barely changed against the U.S dollar on Tuesday, data from the London Stock Exchange Group showed.

Today's expected USD/KES trading range is 128.30/129.60

The Central Bank Rate was reduced by 25 basis points, from 10.00% to 9.75%

## Indicative FX rates as at 8.30am:

Currency	Buying	Selling	Currency	Today	Previous
USD/KES	128.30	129.60			
GBP/KES	173.00	175.10	GBP/USD	1.3514	1.3572
EUR/KES	146.50	148.40	EUR/USD	1.1446	1.1437
INR/KES		1.5265	USD/INR	84.90	85.01
			AUD/USD	0.6544	0.6541
			Commodities		
			Gold	3338.09	3316.30
			Brent Crude	66.86	67.12

## Benchmark Rates:

Tenor	Current	Previous	
91 Days	8.2816%	8.2927%	
182 Days	8.5433%	8.5642%	
364 Days	9.9985%	10.0000%	
KES INFLATION	3.800%	4.110%	
KES CBR	9.75%	10.00%	
FED RATE	4.25%	4.50%	
ECB RATE	2.65%	2.90%	
BOE RATE	4.25%	4.50%	
RBI RATE	6.00%	6.25%	

## Top News

**Oil:** West Texas Intermediate (WTI), the US crude oil benchmark, is trading around \$63.80 during the Asian trading hours on Wednesday. The WTI price edges higher as traders digest the result of trade talks between the United States and China. The US May Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation and the EIA Crude Oil stockpiles report will be the highlights today.

**Asia-Pacific markets:** Most Asian currencies were little changed on Wednesday, as investors cautiously assessed the outcome of U.S.-China trade talks, where both sides agreed on a framework for a potential trade deal after two days of negotiations in London.

## International Markets

**USD:** The US Dollar Index (DXY), which measures the value of the US Dollar (USD) against six major currencies, is extending its gains for the second successive day and trading higher at around 99.10 during the Asian hours on Wednesday. The US Consumer Price Index (CPI) is expected to rise by 2.5% year-over-year in May.

**GBP:** The GBP/USD pair extends the decline to around 1.3475 during the Asian trading hours on Wednesday. The Pound Sterling (GBP) weakens against the US Dollar (USD) due to a weaker UK employment report. Later on Wednesday, the attention will shift to the US May Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation report.

**EUR:** EUR/USD loses ground after registering gains in the previous two consecutive sessions, trading around 1.1400 during the Asian hours on Wednesday. The pair depreciates as the US Dollar receives support from easing tariff tensions between the United States (US) and China.

**INR:** The Indian Rupee (INR) posts a fresh weekly high near 85.43 against the US Dollar (USD) in the opening session on Wednesday. The US Dollar trades calmly after the White House signaled a positive outcome from the two-day meeting between trade negotiators from the United States and China in London.

Source: Reuters.

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