

GLOBAL MARKETS NEWSLETTER

Local Markets:

The Kenya's shilling remains stable against the dollar.

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

Indicative FX rates as at 8.30am:

| Currency | Buying | Selling | Currency | Today | Previous |
|----------|--------|---------|-------------|---------|----------|
| USD/KES | 128.30 | 129.60 | | | |
| GBP/KES | 170.35 | 172.50 | GBP/USD | 1.3307 | 1.3231 |
| EUR/KES | 148.55 | 150.50 | EUR/USD | 1.1607 | 1.1462 |
| INR/KES | | 1.4885 | USD/INR | 87.07 | 86.92 |
| | | | AUD/USD | 0.6513 | 0.6465 |
| | | | Commodities | | |
| | | | Gold | 3360.25 | 3297.45 |
| | | | Brent Crude | 69.45 | 71.83 |

Benchmark Rates:

| Tenor | Current | Previous | |
|---------------|---------|----------|--|
| 91 Days | 8.1106% | 8.1168% | |
| 182 Days | 8.4095% | 8.4186% | |
| 364 Days | 9.7178% | 9.7193% | |
| KES INFLATION | 3.800% | 3.800% | |
| 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 \$66.35 during the early Asian trading hours on Monday. The WTI edges lower after the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and allies (OPEC+) approved another increase in oil production, raising oversupply concerns.

Asia-Pacific markets: Most Asian currencies firmed on Monday, while the dollar extended losses after softer-than-expected nonfarm payrolls data sparked uncertainty over the U.S. economy and interest rates.

International Markets

USD: The US Dollar Index (DXY), which measures the value of the US Dollar (USD) against six major currencies, is holding its position after registering around 1.5% losses in the previous session. The DXY is trading around 98.70 during the Asian hours on Monday.

GBP: The GBP/USD pair struggles to capitalize on Friday's solid bounce from the 1.3140 area, or its lowest level since May 12, and kicks off the new week on a softer note. Spot prices currently trade around the 1.3265-1.3260 region, though the downside seems limited as traders might refrain from placing aggressive directional bets ahead of the Bank of England (BoE) meeting later this week.

EUR: EUR/USD depreciates after registering around 1.5% gains in the previous session, trading around 1.1560 during the Asian hours on Monday. The pair loses ground as the US Dollar (USD) recovers its losses of the prior trading day.

INR: The Indian Rupee (INR) resumes its downside journey against the US Dollar (USD) at the start of the week. The USD/INR pair attracts bids near 87.28 after a two-day correction as the Indian currency faces significant pressure due to multiple headwinds such as persistent outflow of foreign currency from Indian capital markets, US-India trade tensions, and uncertainty surrounding the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) monetary policy announcement on Wednesday.

Source: Reuters.

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