

Local Markets:

The Kenya's shilling remains stable against the dollar.

Kenya's official foreign ex- change reserves held by the Central Bank of Kenya (CBK) have surged to a historic high of \$10.1bn, buoyed by surplus funds remaining after international investors declined to fully participate in the government's \$900m Eurobond buyback offer.

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

Indicative FX rates as at 8 30am.

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Currency	Buying	Selling	Currency	Today	Previous
USD/KES	128.30	129.60			
GBP/KES	170.30	172.40	GBP/USD	1.3302	1.3307
EUR/KES	148.15	150.10	EUR/USD	1.1578	1.1607
INR/KES		1.4820	USD/INR	87.45	87.07
			AUD/USD	0.6489	0.6513
			Commodities		
			Gold	3371.80	3360.25
			Brent Crude	68.77	69.45

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%	

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<u>Oil</u>: West Texas Intermediate (WTI), is trading around \$65.65 during the early Asian trading hours on Tuesday. The WTI trades with mild losses after the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and allies (OPEC+) approved another significant production increase in September.

<u>Asia-Pacific markets:</u> Most Asian currencies kept to a tight range on Tuesday, while the dollar steadied from recent losses amid growing speculation over whether the Federal Reserve will cut interest rates in the coming months.

International Markets

<u>USD</u>: The US Dollar Index (DXY), an index of the value of the US Dollar (USD) measured against a basket of six world currencies, trades on a negative note around 98.70 during the early Asian session on Tuesday. Traders await the release of the US ISM Services Purchasing Managers Index (PMI) later on Tuesday for fresh impetus.

<u>GBP</u>: The GBP/USD pair trades on a flat note near 1.3280 during the Asian trading hours on Tuesday. Nonetheless, rising odds of Federal Reserve (Fed) rate cuts could weigh on the US Dollar (USD) against the Cable. Investors will keep an eye on the US ISM Services Purchasing Managers Index (PMI) data, which is due later on Tuesday.

EUR: EUR/USD extends its losses for the second consecutive day, trading around 1.1560 during the Asian hours on Tuesday. The pair depreciates as the US Dollar (USD) gains ground following traders' caution, driven by the latest global trade developments and shifting expectations for monetary policy. Market participants will likely observe the HCOB Composite and Services Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) data from the Eurozone and Germany later in the day. Focus will shift toward the US ISM PMI later in the North American session.

<u>INR</u>: The Indian Rupee (INR) opens on a gap-down note against the US Dollar (USD) on Tuesday, sending the USD/INR pair to its all-time high of around 88.25. The Indian currency faces intense selling pressure as trade tensions between India and the United States (US) have escalated.

Source: Reuters.

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