

# NEWSLETTER

## GLOBAL MARKETS

### Local Markets:

Kenyan shilling has remained relatively stable against the dollar in recent months, generally trading within a narrow range. The shilling's recent stability has been supported by robust diaspora remittances, healthy foreign exchange reserves and managed import demand.

Today's expected USD/KES trading range is 128.80/129.50

### Indicative FX rates as at 8.30am:

Currency	Buying	Selling	Currency	Today	Previous
USD/KES	128.80	129.50			
GBP/KES	174.60	175.85	GBP/USD	1.3600	1.3588
EUR/KES	150.80	152.55	EUR/USD	1.1786	1.1766
INR/KES		1.3750	USD/INR	94.85	94.12
			AUD/USD	0.7259	0.7242
			Commodities		
			Gold	4716.82	4714.70
			Brent Crude	104.85	101.75

### Benchmark Rates:

Tenor	Current	Previous	
91 Days	8.1895%	8.0398%	
182 Days	8.2100%	8.2115%	
364 Days	8.5145%	8.5133%	
KES INFLATION	5.6%	4.4%	
KES CBR	8.75%	9.00%	
FED RATE	3.75%	3.75%	
ECB RATE	2.00%	2.40%	
BOE RATE	3.75%	4.00%	
RBI RATE	5.25%	5.25%	

### Top News

**Oil:** Oil prices rose nearly 1% on Tuesday as talks to end the U.S.-Israeli war on Iran appeared fragile, with Tehran's response to a Washington proposal highlighting stark differences that have kept supply concerns alive

**Asia-Pacific markets:** Most Asian stocks moved in a flat-to-low range on Tuesday as a recent chip-fueled runup in technology shares lost steam, while markets remained on edge over few signs of de-escalation in the U.S.-Iran conflict.

### International Markets

**USD:** The U.S. dollar firmed slightly on Monday, boosted by safe have demand following a diplomatic setback between Washington and Tehran. Traders were also cautious ahead of key U.S. inflation data this week that could show a big impact of surging oil prices.

**GBP:** The GBP/USD pair loses momentum to near 1.3590 during the early Asian session on Tuesday. The British Pound (GBP) weakens against the US Dollar (USD) as traders focus on key US Ecominc data and Middle East geopolitical tensions.

**EUR:** EUR/USD extends its losses for the second successive day, trading around 1.1760 during the Asian hours on Tuesday. The daily chart technical analysis indicates an ongoing bullish bias as the pair is remaining within the ascending channel pattern

**INR:** The Indian rupee (INR) is facing significant downward pressure due to rising Brent crude prices above \$105 and strong US payroll data. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) is intervening in the forex market to slow the rupee's decline, but the underlying macroeconomic factors remain unfavorable.

Source: Reuters.

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