

GLOBAL MARKETS NEWSLETTER

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Local Markets:

Kenya's shilling was steady on Tuesday, with dollar supply and importer demand matching.

Today's expected USD/KES trading range is 127.50 – 130.00

Indicative FX rates as at 8.30am:

Currency	Buying	Selling	Currency	Today	Previous
USD/KES	127.50	130.00			
GBP/KES	162.70	166.90	GBP/USD	1.2813	1.2839
EUR/KES	137.50	141.20	EUR/USD	1.0839	1.0857
INR/KES		1.5630	AUD/USD	0.6778	0.6780
			USD/INR	83.98	83.70
			Commodities		
			Gold	2369.53	2366.10
			Brent Crude	84.40	85.62

Benchmark Rates:

Tenor	Current	Previous	Next meeting
91 Days	15.9868%	15.9771%	-
182 Days	16.7951%	16.7636%	-
364 Days	16.8299%	16.7911%	-
KES INFLATION	4.60%	5.1%	31st July 24
KES CBR	13.00%	13.00%	
FED RATE	5.50%	5.50%	
ECB RATE	3.75%	4.00%	
BOE RATE	5.25%	5.25%	
RBI RATE	6.50%	6.50%	

Top News

Oil: Oil prices rebounded on Wednesday following three days of declines after an industry report showed U.S. crude and fuel stockpiles fell last week, indicating steady demand, and the outlook for interest rate cuts improved.

Asia-Pacific markets: Asia-Pacific markets were mixed on Wednesday even as key Wall Street benchmarks rose following dovish comments from U.S. FED Chairman Jerome Powell overnight

International Markets

USD: The dollar was on the front foot on Wednesday having rebounded from a three-week low after Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell struck a cautious tone on how soon interest rate cuts would come.

GBP: GBP/USD remains tepid for the second consecutive day during the Asian session on Wednesday. The decline of the GBP/USD pair can be attributed to the strengthening USD, which has gained momentum following Federal Reserve Chairman Jerome Powell's testimony before the US Congress on Tuesday. Powell acknowledged improving inflation data but reiterated the Fed's cautious stance.

EUR: The EUR/USD pair trades on a stronger note on Wednesday during the early European session. The modest uptick of the pair is bolstered by the weaker Greenback. The US Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation data on Thursday will be the highlights for this week.

INR: The Indian Rupee (INR) trades on a weaker note on Wednesday amid the modest rebound of the US Dollar (USD). The persistent Greenback demand from local importers might continue to limit the local currency's gains. However, sustained Indian foreign inflows, a positive economic outlook, and the fastest macroeconomic growth among large economies might all contribute to the INR's upside.

Source: Reuters.

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