

FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET

News

> The US dollar ended the day little changed against its peers on Friday after rising throughout the week as investors await the Federal Reserve decision on Wednesday.

> The week ahead will be dominated by major central bank meetings. The Fed is scheduled to announce its decision on Wednesday, which will be followed by the Bank of Japan, Swiss National Bank and the Bank of England meetings on Thursday.

> EUR/USD climbed above parity during the American trading hours on Friday amid a reversal of the US dollar across the board following University of Michigan consumer sentiment report.

> GBP/USD managed to stage a rebound and recovered the 1.1400 threshold after hitting a 37-year low around 1.1350, earlier in the day following the release of weaker-than-expected retail sales figures.

> USD/JPY tumbled below 143.00 as chances of BoJ intervention offered support to the safe-haven JPY.

> AUD/USD retreated towards 0.6700 in Asia this morning after the People's Bank of China cut the 14-day reverse repo rate to 2.15 percent.

> The Canadian dollar weakened to 1.3307 its lowest level in nearly two years against the greenback on Friday as investors grew cautious ahead of domestic inflation data and a Federal Reserve interest rate decision next week.

> South African rand slid as the dollar steadied ahead of Fed and South African Reserve Bank monetary policy meeting this week.

> The USD/MUR opens at MUR 44.60/USD on the offer and the EUR/MUR opens at MUR 45.75/EUR.

Daily Technical View

EUR/USD – The single currency bounced off one-week low at 0.9948 on Friday to a high at 1.0037. Resistance is found at 1.0066 for any corrective moves of the long-term bearish trend, while support is found at psychological level at 0.9985 for any intra-day trades.

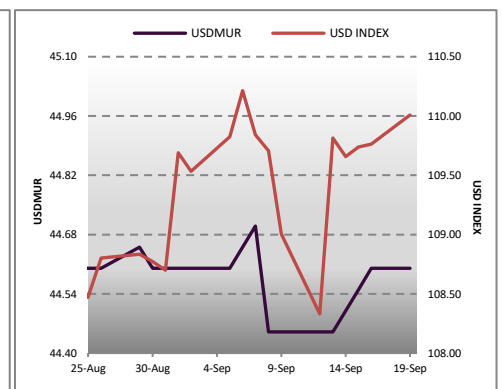
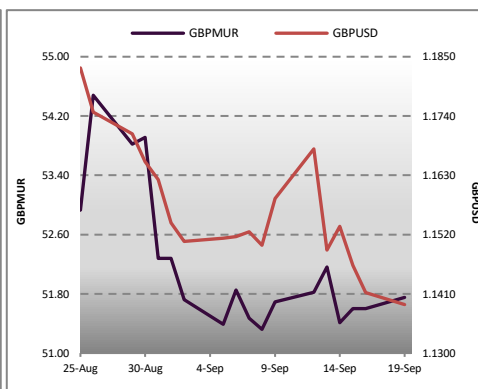
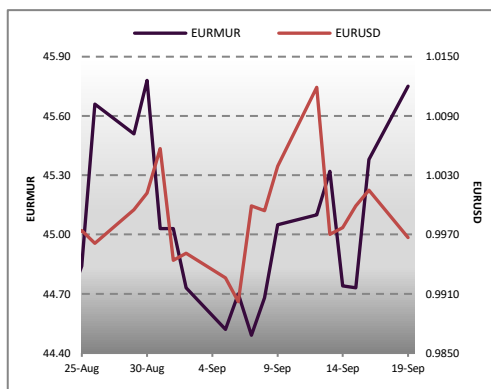
Market Highlights

Indicative Spot Rates

	Bid		Offer	
	Today	Change (Rs.)	Today	Change (Rs.)
AUDMUR	29.16	(0.03)	30.59	(0.03)
CNYMUR	6.22	0.01	6.54	0.01
EURMUR	44.42	0.36	45.75	0.37
JPYMUR	30.22	0.05	31.82	0.05
ZARMUR	2.43	(0.02)	2.59	(0.02)
USDMUR	43.70	-	44.60	-
GBPMUR	50.24	0.14	51.75	0.15

Indicative Forward Rates

	Bid			Offer		
	1m	3m	6m	1m	3m	6m
AUDMUR	29.12	28.98	28.75	30.56	30.48	30.33
EURMUR	44.42	44.36	44.19	45.79	45.82	45.79
ZARMUR	2.42	2.40	2.35	2.58	2.57	2.54
USDMUR	43.61	43.37	42.92	44.55	44.39	44.15
GBPMUR	50.18	50.06	49.88	51.74	51.71	51.70



Previous Day Trading Levels

	Previous Day Trading Levels			Today
	Opening	High	Low	Latest
AUDUSD	0.6700	0.6734	0.6684	0.6686
EURUSD	1.0010	1.0029	0.9967	0.9974
GBPUSD	1.1413	1.1442	1.1384	1.1384
USDJPY	142.95	143.36	142.66	143.31
USDCHF	0.9643	0.9683	0.9627	0.9681
USDCNH	7.00	7.02	6.99	7.02

Today

Major Indices

	Value at Close	Day Change %
DOW JONES	30,961.82	(0.45)
S&P 500	3,873.33	(0.72)
FTSE 100	7,236.68	(0.62)
DAX	12,741.26	(1.66)
CAC 40	6,077.30	(1.31)
NIKKEI 225	27,567.65	(1.11)
HANGSENG	18,562.88	(1.06)

Major Economic Releases (at GMT)

Date	Time	Country	Event	Period	Actual	Expected	Prior
20-Sep	01 30	CN	PBoC Interest Rate Decision	-	-	-	3.65%
20-Sep	01 30	AU	RBA Meeting Minutes	-	-	-	-
21-Sep	18 00	US	Fed Interest Rate Decision	-	-	3.25%	2.5%
22-Sep	11 00	UK	BoE Interest Rate Decision	-	-	2.25%	1.75%

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Source: MCB Treasury, Reuters, Bloomberg, Bank of Mauritius

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> Treasury yields traded lower on Friday, but ended the week higher, as market participants cautiously await the US Federal Reserve meeting on Wednesday, where some see a slight chance of a 100 basis point increase in the benchmark policy rate, following the release of better-than expected August inflation report.

> The yield on the 2-year US Treasury note dropped 1.2 basis points to trade at 3.859 percent, while the benchmark 10-year Treasury note yield slid to 3.447 percent. The long-bond yield gained 3.9 basis points, trading at 3.518 percent on Friday.

> The weighted average yield of the 182-Day Government of Mauritius was published at 1.12 percent. As for the 91-Day and 364-Day Bank of Mauritius Treasury Bills, the weighted average yields were published at 1 percent and 1.28 percent respectively.

Market Highlights
Local Secondary Market T-Bills

	Bid (%)	Offer (%)
1M	0.90	0.75
2M	0.95	0.80
3M	1.00	0.85
4M	1.05	0.90
6M	1.15	1.00
8M	1.20	1.05
10M	1.25	1.10
1Y	1.30	1.15

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Local Secondary Market T-Bonds

	Bid (%)	Offer (%)
2 year	2.45	2.25
3 year	3.00	2.80
4 Year	3.25	3.05
5 Year	3.50	3.25
10 Year	4.80	4.55
15 year	5.10	4.85
20 Year	5.35	5.10

Key Central Bank Rates

	Current Level (%)	Previous (%)
BOM Repo Rate	2.25	2.00
Fed Funds Rate	2.25 - 2.50	1.50 - 1.75
BoE Bank Rate	1.75	1.25
ECB Ref. Rate	0.50	0.00
RBA Cash Rate	2.35	1.85

Government Benchmark Yields (%)

	2 Year	5 Year
US Bonds	3.8713	3.636
UK Bonds	3.114	3.136
German Bonds	1.562	1.664

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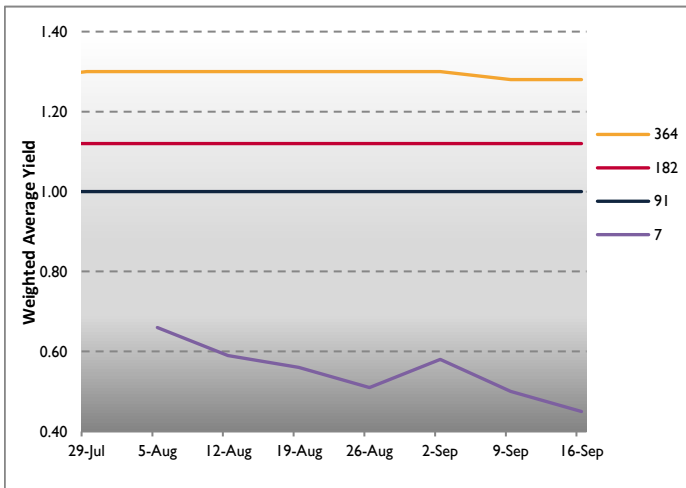
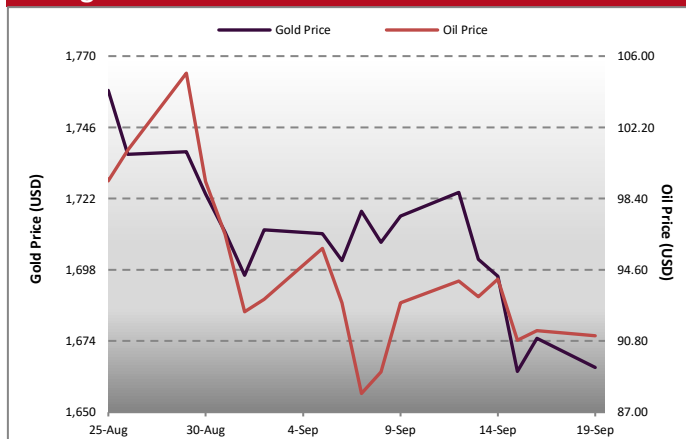
LIBOR* (%)	1 Week	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months
EUR	-	-	-	-
USD	-	3.014	3.565	4.123
GBP	-	2.245	2.756	3.518
EURIBOR	0.646	0.678	1.063	1.672

* LIBOR rates delayed by 48 hours. Source: ICE

Indicative Generic Swap Rates* (%)

Tenor	2yr	5yr	7yr	10yr
EURIBOR - 3m	2.506	2.454	2.462	2.533
USD LIBOR - 3m	4.271	3.716	3.597	3.524

* Pay fixed and receive floating swap

Auction Results of Treasury Bills

COMMODITIES
Rolling Gold & Oil Prices


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> Oil prices start the week on a strong ground amid optimism over an eventual demand recovery for crude oil as major chinese city lifts lockdown restrictions offsetting fears of a global recession.

> Gold prices recovered slightly from its losing trend this morning as markets await more policy tightening measures from the Federal Reserve.

	Spot Market	
	Today	Change (\$)
Brent Crude Oil (\$)	94.82	1.27
Gold (\$)	1,664.66	(10.29)