

FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET

News

> The dollar gained on Friday and remained on track for its largest weekly gain in over a month as investors eyed rising bond yields and continued to make bets on the US Federal Reserve interest rate hiking path.

> This week the Federal Reserve meeting minutes will be the main highlight of a holiday-shortened week as US markets will not open on Thursday due to Thanksgiving Day. The ECB will release the minutes of the latest meeting on Thursday. The economic calendar also includes the preliminary estimates of November PMIs for the European Union and the US while on Friday Germany will unveil the second estimate of its Q3 GDP.

> EUR/USD positive momentum faded and ended on a weak note at 1.0320. The Euro previously benefited from the US Dollar broad weakness and hit 1.0480 last Tuesday, the highest level since 1st July.

> GBP/USD retreated from daily highs and dropped below the 1.1900 as sentiment shifted sour, allowing the US Dollar to find demand. Retail Sales in the UK climbed above estimates even though the BoE acknowledged the UK economy entered a recession.

> USD/JPY pair rallied to a high at 140.50 before easing to settle at 140.40 underpinned by higher US bond yields.

> AUD/USD ended the week low at around 0.6670, below a two-month high reached earlier this week while the New Zealand dollar was up against the USD ahead of this week Central Bank meeting, at which rates could rise by as much as 75 basis points.

> The Canadian dollar rose sharply above 1.3400 against its US counterpart on Friday as crude oil tumbled by more than 4 percent.

> The USD/MUR opens at MUR 44.15/USD, while the EUR/MUR and GBP/MUR open at MUR 45.57/EUR and MUR 52.43/GBP respectively on the offer.

Daily Technical View

EUR/USD – The euro pair plummeted more than 100 pips to a low at 1.0275 in Asian hours, pressured for a downside correction. The support structure is still being tested at 1.0094, if 1.0150 is broken. On the upside, resistance is drawn at confluent level at 1.0370.

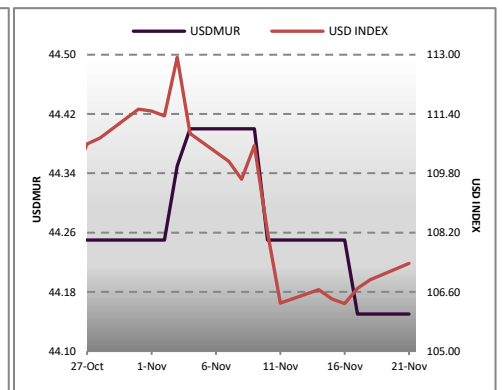
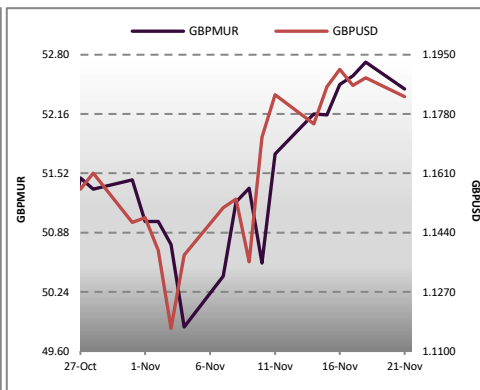
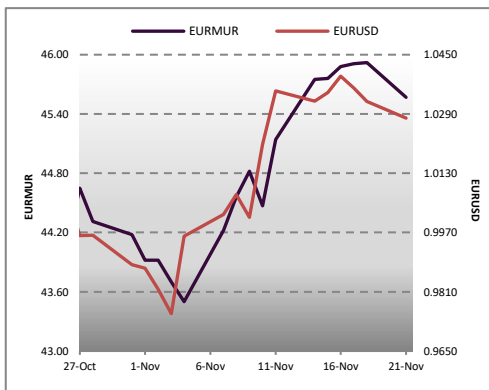
Market Highlights

Indicative Spot Rates

	Bid		Offer	
	Today	Change (Rs.)	Today	Change (Rs.)
AUDMUR	28.64	(0.23)	30.04	(0.24)
CNYMUR	6.03	(0.02)	6.34	(0.02)
EURMUR	44.24	(0.34)	45.57	(0.35)
JPYMUR	30.51	(0.11)	32.13	(0.11)
ZARMUR	2.45	-	2.61	-
USDMUR	43.25	-	44.15	-
GBPMUR	50.90	(0.28)	52.43	(0.29)

Indicative Forward Rates

	Bid			Offer		
	1m	3m	6m	1m	3m	6m
AUDMUR	28.62	28.56	28.45	30.04	30.03	30.01
EURMUR	44.26	44.27	44.25	45.63	45.73	45.86
ZARMUR	2.44	2.42	2.39	2.60	2.59	2.57
USDMUR	43.18	43.00	42.72	44.12	44.03	43.95
GBPMUR	50.85	50.76	50.68	52.43	52.44	52.53



Previous Day Trading Levels

	Previous Day Trading Levels			Today
	Opening	High	Low	Latest
AUDUSD	0.6666	0.6683	0.6638	0.6643
EURUSD	1.0316	1.0333	1.0276	1.0281
GBPUUSD	1.1885	1.1901	1.1829	1.1832
USDJPY	140.28	140.57	140.17	140.44
USDCHF	0.9550	0.9560	0.9531	0.9558
USDCNH	7.13	7.17	7.12	7.17

Today

Major Indices

	Value at Close	Day Change %
DOW JONES	33,546.32	0.59
S&P 500	8,429.01	0.47
FTSE 100	7,385.52	0.53
DAX	14,431.86	1.16
CAC 40	4,992.15	1.04
NIKKEI 225	27,909.39	0.03
HANGSENG	17,608.57	(2.13)

Major Economic Releases (at GMT)

Date	Time	Country	Event	Period	Actual	Expected	Prior
23-Nov	01 00	NZ	RBNZ Interest Rate Decision	-	-	-	3.5%
23-Nov	09 00	EU	S&P Global Composite PMI PREL	Nov	-	47.2	47.3
23-Nov	13 30	US	Durable Goods Orders	Oct	-	0.3%	0.4%
23-Nov	13 30	US	Initial Jobless Claims	Nov	-	-	222K

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

FIXED INCOME

News

- > US Treasury yields edged up on Friday as Federal Reserve officials suggested interest rates would still go higher.
- > On Friday, the yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury traded 4 basis points higher at 3.819 percent.
- > The 30-year Treasury yield was trading 4 basis points up at 3.932 percent, after trading above 4 percent last week.

- > The weighted average yield of the 364-day Government of Mauritius Treasury Bills was published at 3.25 percent. As for the 91-Day Bank of Mauritius Treasury Bills, the weighted average yield was published at 2.80 percent.
- > The Bank of Mauritius published the Minutes of the 64th Monetary Policy Committee Meeting on Friday.

Market Highlights

Local Secondary Market T-Bills

	Bid (%)	Offer (%)
1M	2.40	2.25
2M	2.60	2.45
3M	2.80	2.65
4M	2.90	2.75
6M	3.00	2.85
8M	3.05	2.90
10M	3.15	3.00
1Y	3.25	3.10

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Local Secondary Market T-Bonds

	Bid (%)	Offer (%)
2 year	3.60	3.40
3 year	3.95	3.75
4 Year	4.05	3.85
5 Year	4.20	3.95
10 Year	5.35	5.10
15 year	5.55	5.30
20 Year	5.75	5.50

Key Central Bank Rates

	Current Level (%)	Previous (%)
BOM Repo Rate	4.00	3.00
Fed Funds Rate	3.75 - 4.00	3.00 - 3.25
BoE Bank Rate	2.25	1.75
ECB Ref. Rate	1.50	0.75
RBA Cash Rate	2.85	2.60

Government Benchmark Yields (%)

	2 Year	5 Year
US Bonds	4.5097	3.975
UK Bonds	3.208	3.3
German Bonds	2.091	1.979

Money Market Rates

LIBOR* (%)	1 Week	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months
EUR	-	-	-	-
USD	-	3.957	4.665	5.143
GBP	-	3.038	3.571	4.142
EURIBOR	1.392	1.413	1.821	2.342

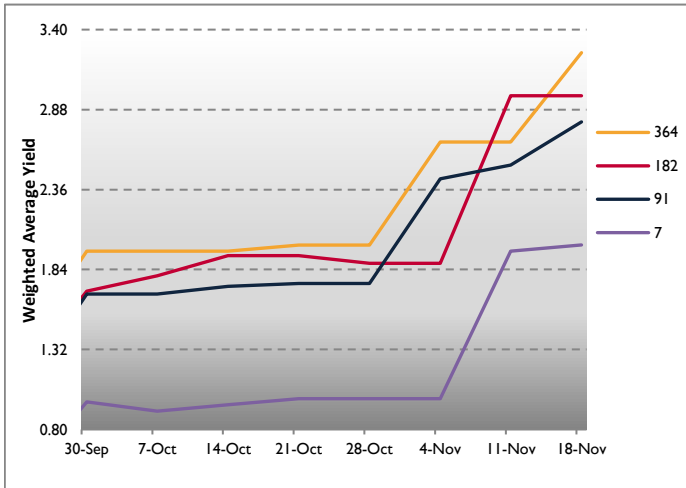
* LIBOR rates delayed by 48 hours. Source: ICE

Indicative Generic Swap Rates* (%)

Tenor	2yr	5yr	7yr	10yr
EURIBOR - 3m	2.815	2.709	2.702	2.767
USD LIBOR - 3m	4.838	4.035	3.864	3.775

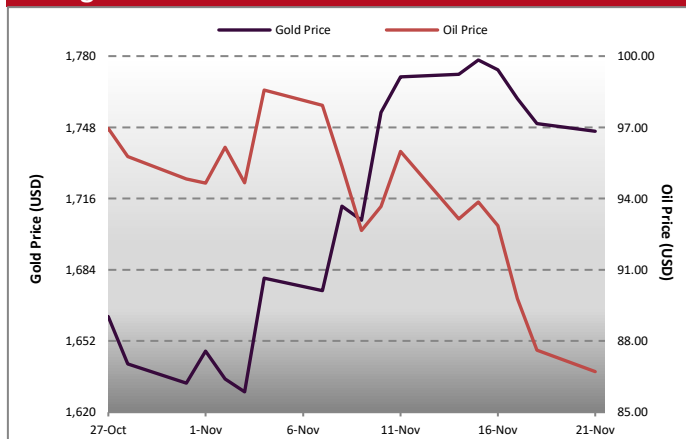
*Pay fixed and receive floating swap

Auction Results of Treasury Bills



COMMODITIES

Rolling Gold & Oil Prices



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- > Oil prices are trading close to two-month lows, pressured by worries over lower demand in China, more interest rate hikes from Fed as well as easing supply concerns.
- > Gold prices dropped on Friday and maintained this trend in Asia this morning on higher US dollar, as market participants remained focused on the US interest rate cycle.

Spot Market

	Today	Change (\$)
Brent Crude Oil (\$)	90.18	(2.90)
Gold (\$)	1,746.58	(3.16)