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GROUPE BANQUE CENTRALE POPULAIRE

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Weekly Market Update

INTERNATIONAL MARKET FOCUS

The US dollar struggled to gain a foothold on Monday and was languishing at five-month lows as traders looked past stronger than anticipated U.S. jobs data, while growing hopes of China reopening boosted risk sentiment. The dollar index, which measures the currency against six major peers, was down 0.18% at 104.28, its lowest since June 28. The index fell 1.4% last week. The dollar initially jumped on Friday after U.S. data showed that employers added 263,000 jobs in November, well above estimates of 200,000, but gave up the gains as traders booked profits. Investor focus will firmly be on the U.S. consumer price inflation data due on December 13, one day before the Fed concludes its two-day meeting. The U.S. central bank is expected to increase rates by an additional 50 basis points at the meeting.

The euro rose 0.38% to \$1.0578, having gained 1.3% last week. It had earlier touched a more than five month high of \$1.0585.

Sterling rose to \$1.2345, its highest since June 17, and was last trading at \$1.2339, up 0.42%.

The Japanese yen weakened 0.11% versus the greenback at \$134.46, having gained 3.5% on the greenback last week.

The Australian dollar scaled new multi-year highs on Monday, after more signs of China easing pandemic policies emerged and strong U.S. payroll data failed to shift expectations of a rate hike slowdown for the Federal Reserve. The Aussie rallied 0.8% to \$0.6850, its highest level since mid-September. Traders are now awaiting an interest rate decision from the Reserve Bank of Australia tomorrow. Many will be looking for signals of a coming pause, following indications in a new monthly consumer inflation gauge last week that inflation may have peaked.

The Indian rupee reversed course to weaken on Monday as traders cited corporate outflows. The INR eased to \$81.46, having opened at \$81.23. It closed at \$81.375 on Friday. The rupee has traded in a narrow range and gained 0.45% last week but underperformed its emerging market counterparts on forward dollar purchases by importers.

South Africa's rand strengthened in early trade on Monday, ahead of a meeting by the executive committee of the country's governing party to decide the fate of President C. Ramaphosa. At 0635GMT, the rand traded at \$17.30, 1.42% stronger than its previous close. Investors have been on tenterhooks over the developments surrounding the president, with the rand falling over 4% on Thursday against the dollar, before recovering.

(Reuters)

LOCAL MARKET

Last week the USD/MUR traded flat at 44.10, while the EUR/MUR traded within a range of 46.31/46.52 and the GBP/MUR traded within a range of 53.38/54.49

Results of last week auctions held by the Bank of Mauritius:

- On Friday was held an auction of 364-Day Government of Mauritius Treasury Bills for a tender amount of MUR 500.0 million. Out of the 5 bids received (representing MUR 1,050.0 million) 2 were accepted for the tender amount. The weighted average yield was 3.25%.
- On the same day was held an auction of 91-Day Bank of Mauritius Bills for a nominal amount of MUR 1,700.0 million. Out of the 8 bids received (representing MUR 2,200.0 million), 5 were accepted for the tender amount. The weighted average yield was 2.80%.
- On the 1st of December was held an auction of 7-Day Bank of Mauritius Bills. Out of the 6 bids received (representing MUR 9,820.0 million) all were accepted at a weighted average yield of 2.00%.

INDICATIVE SPOT AND FORWARD MUR RATES

	USD	EUR	GBP
SPOT	43.20/44.10	45.45/46.79	53.60/54.92
1 MTH	43.30/44.20	45.46/46.80	53.61/54.93
3 MTH	43.40/44.30	45.47/46.81	53.62/54.94

Source: BCP Bank (Mauritius) Ltd.

LATEST WEIGHTED TREASURY BILLS YIELDS

7 DAYS	91 DAYS	182 DAYS	364 DAYS
2.00%	2.80%	3.01%	3.25%

Source : Bank of Mauritius

CURRENCY QUOTES AGAINST USD

CURRENCY	OPENING	OPENING LAST WEEK
EUR	1.0580	1.0360
GBP	1.2339	1.2051
JPY	134.42	138.615
ZAR	17.30025	17.1258

INDICATIVE USDSOFR, EURIBOR & SONIA RATES

	USD	EUR	GBP (Terms Ref. Rate) SONIA
			2.9279
1 MTH	4.18849	1.514	3.2560
3 MTH	4.43224	1.975	3.5580
6 MTH	4.67061	2.406	3.9460



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THIS WEEK MAJOR ECONOMIC INDICATORS local time

05Dec 13:30 EUR Sentix Investor Confidence

05Dec 14:00 EUR Retail Sales

05Dec 19:00 U.S. ISM Services PMI

06Dec 07:30 AUD RBA Interest Rate Decision / RBA Rate Statement

07Dec 14:00 EUR G.D.P.

08Dec 17:30 U.S. Weekly Jobless Claims

09Dec 17:30 U.S. Michigan Consumer Sentiment Index

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