

LKR volatility continued ...

USD/LKR continued volatile and traded around 297.00 - 300.00 and LKR depreciated against USD by 1.04% year to date. Excess liquidity in the Call Money market has decreased from the previous day.

	16.04.25		11.04.25	
Opening Closing	298.00	298.50	298.00	298.50
	298.60	298.75	298.35	298.50
	16.04.25		11.04.25	
Call Money Rate (%)	7.90	8.00	7.90	8.00
Repo Rate (%)	7.95	8.02	7.95	8.00
Liquidity (LKR)	56.90 Bn		61.71 Bn	

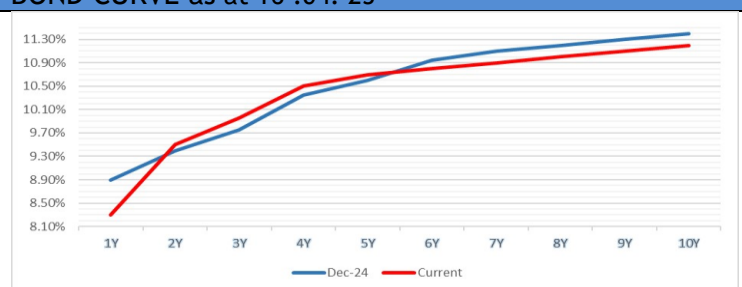
TREASURY BILL latest Auction on 16.04.2025

	This week	Last week	Year ago
03 Months	07.59	07.59	10.10
06 Months	07.96	07.91	10.27
12 Months	08.31	08.31	10.27

TREASURY BOND latest Auction on 10.04.2025

Maturity date	15.12.29	15.09.34
Yield (w.a) %	10.64	11.21
Coupon rate (p.a)(%)	11.00	10.25

BOND CURVE as at 16 .04. 25



EQUITY

	16.04.25	11.04.25
Turnover	792Mn	1,588Mn
Net Foreign Inflow	-50.1Mn	-145.4Mn
S&P SL 20	4,644.49	4,614.54
ASPI	15,625.88	15,526.20

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	This Week 16.04.25	Week ago	Year ago
AWPLR (%)	08.63	08.53	10.63
	Feb '25	Jan'25	Year ago
AWDR (%)	07.21	07.31	10.80

	Mar'25	Feb '25	Year ago
INFLATION (%)			
NCPI-YoY	-3.9	-3.9	2.5
NCPI-Core	-0.6	-0.6	3.4
CCPI -YoY	-2.6	-4.2	0.9
CCPI -Core	0.7	0.7	3.1

Bench Mark Rates	O/N	1M	3M	6M	12M
USD SOFR	4.3300	4.3199	4.2695	4.1273	3.8764
EUR ESTR	2.4160	2.2230	2.1260	1.9910	1.8160
GBP SONIA	4.4585	4.3949	4.2536	4.1239	3.9342

USD fourth straight weekly loss...

The USD looked set to notch a fourth straight weekly loss as tariffs drive investors from U.S. assets, though it lifted off a seven-month low against the yen as U.S.-Japan trade talks have so far steered clear of any currency discussion.

The USD taken a beating as the U.S. has threatened, imposed and then postponed massive tariffs, undermining investor confidence in U.S. economic growth and stability. Trade is likely to be lightened into the Easter break and Federal Chair seemed in no hurry to move interest rates lower.

The dollar index (DXY) at 99.5 and also set to notch a loss for the fourth week in a row.

EURO eased slightly...

The EUR eased slightly to 1.1373, though it remains set for a fourth straight weekly rise, even with the European Central Bank expected to deliver a 25-basis-point rate cut later in the session.

GBP edged up against USD...

GBP edged up against USD, as heightened uncertainty over the outlook for U.S. trade policy, while UK inflation data dented the GBP against the EUR. The GBP up by 0.3% on the day at 1.3267.

CAD strengthened against USD...

The CAD strengthened against USD as the USD posted broad-based declines and the Bank of Canada paused its interest rate cutting campaign. The CAD trading 0.6% higher at 1.3875 per USD.

JPY gained 7 months high ...

The USD touched a seven-month low of 141.62 JPY. The JPY gained into the discussions in anticipation that the countries could agree to strengthen the yen against the dollar.

AUD eased & NZD dipped...

The AUD eased 0.2% in response to 0.6357, after hitting a one-month top of 0.6391 overnight. It needs to clear major chart resistance in the 0.6390/0.6409 zone to keep the rally going toward 0.6500. The NZD dipped to 0.5910, and looked overbought having climbed for six sessions straight.

GOLD extended its record rally...

Gold extended its record rally as investors sought refuge in safe-haven assets amid an intensifying global trade conflict between the United States and its trading partners.

OIL prices extended gains ...

Oil prices extended gains on the prospect of tighter supply after US imposed further sanctions to curb Iranian oil trade and as some OPEC producers pledged further output cuts to compensate for pumping above agreed quotas.