

### LKR intraday volatility continued...

USD/LKR intraday volatility continued and traded around 297.50 – 300.50 and LKR depreciated against USD by 1.70% year to date. Excess liquidity in the Call Money market has increased from the previous day.

	17.04.25		16.04.25	
Opening Closing	298.70	299.00	298.00	298.50
	298.90	299.15	298.60	298.75
	17.04.25		16.04.25	
Call Money Rate (%)	7.90	8.00	7.90	8.00
Repo Rate (%)	7.95	8.02	7.95	8.00
Liquidity (LKR)	57.33 Bn		56.90 Bn	

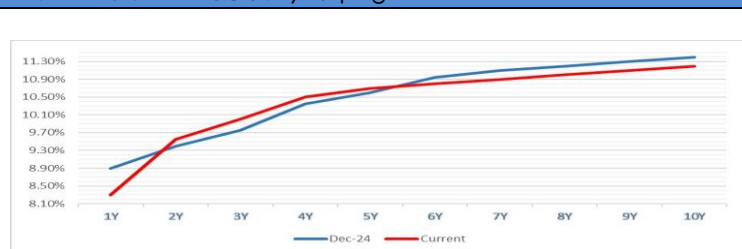
### TREASURY BILL latest Auction on 16.04.2025

	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 17.04.25



### EQUITY

	17.04.25	16.04.25
Turnover	841Mn	792Mn
Net Foreign Inflow	-2.07Mn	-50.1Mn
S&P SL 20	4,624.24	4,644.49
ASPI	15,626.57	15,625.88

### ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	This Week 17.04.25	Week ago	Year ago
AWPLR (%)	08.44	08.63	10.63
	Feb '25	Jan '25	Year ago
AWDR (%)	07.21	07.31	10.80

INFLATION (%)	Mar'25	Feb '25	Year ago
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	4.3100	4.3185	4.2723	4.1251	3.8592
EUR ESTR	2.4180	2.1800	2.0910	1.9550	1.7850
GBP SONIA	4.4585	4.3755	4.2512	4.1295	3.9614

### USD tumbled...

The dollar tumbled as investor confidence in the U.S. economy took another hit over plans to shake up the Federal Reserve, which would throw into question the independence of the U.S.A. central bank. The dollar and US stock-index futures fell after criticism of the Federal Reserve raised concerns over its independence. Sweeping tariffs and uncertainty over trade policies have sent global markets into a tailspin and darkened the outlook for the world's largest economy, in turn weakening the dollar as investors pull money out of U.S. assets.

USD index (DXY) against a basket of currencies, the dollar slid to a three-year low of 98.623.

### EURO rallies over 1%...

EUR/USD rallies over 1% in Early Asian trading as the relentless selling interest in the US Dollar paves the way for the major to clear the 1.1500 threshold for the first time since November 2021.

### GBP extends gains...

The GBP/USD pair extends its upside to near 1.3350 during the early Asian session. The uptick of the major pair is bolstered by the softer USD broadly as traders become increasingly confident that the economic policies of U.S.A. will lead the economy to a recession.

### CAD moved closer to a recent five-month high...

The Canadian dollar moved closer to a recent five-month high against USD as oil prices rose and one day after the Bank of Canada paused its interest rate cutting campaign.

### JPY drops to a fresh seven-month low...

USD/JPY drops to a fresh seven-month low, testing 141.00 at the start of a new week as trade-related uncertainties and geopolitical risks continue to drive flows towards the JPY.

### AUD reached a two-month top & NZD rose...

Australian dollar reached a two-month top of \$0.6396, while the New Zealand dollar rose 0.46% to \$0.5964.

### GOLD touched a record high...

Gold touched a record high as the dollar sank to a three-year low and trade war concerns between the U.S.A. and key trading partners stirred recession fears, making investors lean towards the safe-haven asset.

### OIL prices fell about 1%...

Oil prices fell about 1% after nuclear talks between the United States and Iran progressed, reducing the concerns that the dispute will reduce supply from the major Middle Eastern producer.