



# AFRICAN BANKING CORPORATION LIMITED

## Forex and Money Market Update

29<sup>th</sup> January, 2021

### FOREIGN CURRENCY UPDATE

| INDICATIVE OPENING RATES |         |          |               |                 |
|--------------------------|---------|----------|---------------|-----------------|
| Yesterday                |         | Today    |               |                 |
| USD/KES                  | 110.05  |          | 109.55/110.55 |                 |
| GBP                      | 1.3672  | 150.4625 | 1.3654/1.374  | 149.579/152.050 |
| EUR                      | 1.2093  | 133.085  | 1.2046/1.2146 | 131.963/134.275 |
| JPY                      | 104.26  | 1.0555   | 104.00/105.00 | 1.0433/1.0630   |
| ZAR                      | 15.2835 | 7.198    | 15.255/15.270 | 7.1741/7.2468   |
| INR                      | 73.057  | 1.5063   | 72.95/72.96   | 1.5015/1.5154   |
| AED                      | 3.6725  | 29.965   | 3.6728/3.6735 | 29.821/30.099   |
| CHF                      | 0.8893  | 123.749  | 0.8894/0.8899 | 123.103/124.297 |
| UGX                      | 3675    | 33.394   | 3685/3695     | 33.637/33.423   |
| TZS                      | 2319    | 21.0724  | 2314/2324     | 21.112/21.022   |

### LOCAL MARKET UPDATE

**The Kenyan shilling:** held steady against the greenback yesterday, a day after MPC maintained the status quo on interest rates.

**Equity Market:** The NSE-20 lost 1 point to close at 1888 yesterday.

**Fixed income:** In the debt market, bonds worth Kes0.347 Billion were traded yesterday.

### GLOBAL MARKETS UPDATE

**EUR:** The pair rose to its highest in five weeks as stocks retreated and as risk sentiment was dampened on disappointing earnings from tech giant and delays in vaccine distribution.

**GBP:** The pair hovered around and pressurized downside as risk-aversion boosted the haven demand for the US dollar.

**INR:** The Indian Rupee snapped its six-session rising streak, the rupee depreciated by 13 paise against the US dollar yesterday.

**GOLD:** The commodity fell yesterday to mark their sixth session loss in a row, the longest streak of declines.

**CRUDE:** The commodity prices were mixed yesterday as slowing fuel demand was balanced by a pending supply cut by Saudi Arabia and lower U.S. oil stocks.

**UGX:** The Uganda Shilling turned a little soft against the US Dollar, after multiple sessions of strengthening.

### MONEY MARKET UPDATE

|                 | 28.01 | 27.01 | 26.01 | 25.01 | 22.01 |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Inter-bank Rate | 5.61  | 5.61  | 5.54  | 5.38  | 4.97  |
| NSE Share index | 1888  | 1889  | 1888  | 1882  | 1887  |

### MOST ACTIVE ISSUES

| Bond Identity       | Coupon | Yield  | Average Dirty Price | Volume (M) | Years to maturity |
|---------------------|--------|--------|---------------------|------------|-------------------|
| T Bond FXD1/2019/15 | 12.86% | 12.30% | 103.64              | 300        | 12.96             |
| T Bond FXD1/2018/25 | 12.65% | 13.30% | 102.05              | 450        | 22.34             |

| Treasury Bills |         | LIBOR    | 1Mth | 3Mth   | 6Mth   |        |
|----------------|---------|----------|------|--------|--------|--------|
| Days           | Current | Previous | USD  | 1.19%  | 1.39%  | 1.36%  |
| 91             | 6.987%  | 6.983%   | GBP  | 0.21%  | 0.61%  | 0.69%  |
| 182            | 7.578%  | 7.508%   | EUR  | -0.42% | -0.17% | -0.07% |
| 364            | 8.623%  | 8.508%   | JPY  | -0.05% | -0.01% | -0.01% |

### KENYA' S ECONOMIC INDICATORS

|                       | DEC   | NOV   | OCT   | SEPT  | AUG   |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| CBR Rate              | 7.00% | 7.00% | 7.00% | 7.00% | 7.00% |
|                       | DEC   | NOV   | OCT   | SEPT  | AUG   |
| Annual Inflation rate | 5.63% | 5.33% | 4.84% | 4.20% | 4.36% |

### WORLD INDICES&COMMODITIES UPDATE

|           | 29.01   | 28.01   | 27.01   | 26.01   | 25.01   |
|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Gold      | 1847    | 1836    | 1847    | 1855    | 1854    |
| Crude Oil | \$52.05 | \$52.64 | \$52.98 | \$52.41 | \$52.28 |
| Dow Jones | 30,603  | 30,303  | 30,937  | 30,960  | 30,996  |
| S&P 500   | 3787    | 3750    | 3849    | 3855    | 3841    |
| FTSE 100  | 6526    | 6567    | 6654    | 6638    | 6712    |

### TODAY' S MAJOR ECONOMIC DATA&EVENTS

| Time (Local) | Region | Data                           | Prior | Forecast |
|--------------|--------|--------------------------------|-------|----------|
| 16:30        | USD    | Core PCE Price Index YoY (DEC) | 1.4%  | 1.3%     |

For firm prices please call Treasury Team on: Dir. 4263091/2/3/4/5.

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