

Bank Dhofar Morning Market Update



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Global Update

The MSCI Asia Pacific Index fell 0.5%, with nine of its 11 subgroups declining. Equity-index futures indicated losses for US benchmarks when Wall Street reopens on Tuesday after a holiday. Contracts indicated more losses for European shares after their worst day since mid-November. Treasury yields climbed amid concerns about fiscal pressure, the tariff threat and question marks over the impact that might have on demand for US assets. Attention in Asia was on Japan, where the country's 40-year bond yield rose to 4% on Tuesday, the highest since its debut in 2007. Also, a 20-year government bond sale saw weaker demand than its 12-month average. Trump's threat to impose tariffs on eight countries opposing his bid to control Greenland, and pushback from Europe, has reignited volatility and driven investors toward haven assets such as gold and silver.

The USD/JPY pair holds steady near 158.15 during the early Asian session on Tuesday. The pair steadies as safe-haven flows offset speculations that Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi may soon call a snap election. Traders await the ADP weekly report later on Tuesday for fresh impetus. The USD/JPY pair finds decent support near the 61.8% Fibonacci retracement level of the recent move up from the monthly peak. A subsequent strength beyond the 50% retracement level, around the 157.80 area, could pave the way for further gains, though a stronger recovery would need additional momentum confirmation. The Moving Average Convergence Divergence (MACD) hovers just below the zero line as readings firm toward -0.01, suggesting fading bearish pressure. The Relative Strength Index (RSI) prints 43 (neutral-bearish), stabilizing after an earlier oversold dip. Meanwhile, the USD/JPY pair trades below the flattening 100-hour Simple Moving Average (SMA), around the 158.55 region, which should cap rebounds. A close back above this average would tilt the near-term tone higher.



Source: Reuters, Bloomberg

Currencies				Rates		
	Open	High	Low		Last Price	Previous Day Close
EURUSD	1.1646	1.1673	1.1633	O/N SOFR	3.660	0.000
GBPUSD	1.3425	1.3450	1.3410	1 month SOFR	3.673	3.673
USDJPY	158.11	158.2800	157.85	3 month SOFR	3.670	3.670
USDINR	90.94	91.07	90.93	6 months SOFR	3.630	3.630
USDCNY	6.9598	6.9619	6.9598	12 month SOFR	3.505	3.505
USDCHF	0.7975	0.7984	0.7959	3 years IRS	3.447	3.446

AUDUSD	0.6714	0.6740	0.6707	5 years IRS	3.565	3.557
NZDUSD	0.5799	0.5834	0.5789	Japan's 40-year bond yield hit 4%, the highest since its debut in 2007 and a first for any maturity of the nation's sovereign debt in more than three decades. The yield on 10-year Treasuries advanced three basis points to 4.26%. Japan's 10-year yield advanced five basis points to 2.310%. Australia's 10-year yield advanced four basis points to 4.79%		
USD/JPY down 0.1% to 157.95. NZD/USD rose 0.4% to 0.5822 as further hawkish RBNZ repricing drove kiwi demand, triggering short stops above 0.5810. AUD/USD rose, helped in part by a spike in natural gas, a key export. GBP/USD and EUR/USD gained 0.1% amid broad weakness in the greenback.						

				Global Markets			
			Current Levels		Level	1-Day Change (%)	YTD (%)
CBO Repo Rate			4.25				
O/N OMIBOR			4	S&P 500	6940	-0.064	1.38
*Bank Deposit Rates for 1 years			4.00	Euro Stoxx 600	607	-1.191	2.51
Bank Deposit Rates for 5 years			4.00	Shanghai Composite Index	4102	-0.301	3.35
*Amount>500k OMR				MSX-30	6233	0.150	6.24
				NIFTY-50	25483	-0.399	-2.47
Calendar				Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	63.96	0.031	5.11
Key Data Watch	Time (GST)	Expected	Prior	Gold (\$/oz.)	4700	0.632	8.82
ADP Weekly Employment Change	17:15		11.75k	DXY	99	-0.503	0.58
Philadelphia Fed Non-Manufacturing Activity	17:30		-16.8	Silver(\$/oz.)	94	-0.068	31.62

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