

LKR less volatile...

USD/LKR less volatile 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 decreased from the previous day.

	08.05.25		07.05.25	
	Opening	299.05	299.20	299.50
Closing	299.10	299.20	299.40	299.48
	08.05.25		07.05.25	
	Call Money Rate (%)	7.95	7.98	7.95
Repo Rate (%)	7.97	8.05	7.95	8.05
Liquidity (LKR)	163.38 Bn		163.47 Bn	

TREASURY BILL latest Auction on 07.05.2025

	This week	Last week	Year ago
03 Months	07.65	07.65	9.43
06 Months	07.98	07.97	9.76
12 Months	08.30	08.30	9.90

TREASURY BOND latest Auction on 28.04.2025

	15.06.29	15.03.31	15.03.35
Maturity date	15.06.29	15.03.31	15.03.35
Yield (w.a) %	10.30	10.96	11.22
Coupon rate (p.a)(%)	11.75	11.25	11.50

BOND CURVE as at 08.05.25



EQUITY

	08.05.25	07.05.25
Turnover	1,674Mn	3,201Mn
Net Foreign Inflow	-67.34Mn	-35.07Mn
S&P SL 20	4,655.15	4,634.14
ASPI	15,925.92	15,841.60

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	This Week 02.05.25	Week ago	Year ago
AWPLR (%)	08.36	08.39	10.13
AWDR (%)	07.15	07.21	10.30

	Apr '25	Mar '25	Year ago
INFLATION (%)			
NCPI-YoY	-	-1.9	2.7
NCPI-Core	-	-0.6	3.0
CCPI -YoY	-2.0	-2.6	1.5
CCPI -Core	0.8	0.7	3.4

Bench Mark Rates	O/N	1M	3M	6M	12M
USD SOFR	4.3000	4.3327	4.3002	4.1770	3.9013
EUR ESTR	2.1690	2.1680	2.0000	1.8620	1.7110
GBP SONIA	4.4601	4.2049	4.1427	3.9833	3.7729

USD headed for a weekly gain...

The dollar headed for a weekly gain on most major peers as a U.S.-UK trade deal raised hopes of progress in looming U.S.-China talks, while bets of imminent U.S. rate cuts receded after the Federal Reserve indicated it was in no hurry. The dollar index(DXY) soared to a one-month high following the U.K.-U.S. trade agreement and Bank of England rate cut.

EURO trimmed into the low end...

EUR/USD trimmed into the low end, shedding a little over two-thirds of one percent from the day's opening bids after US Dollar bids caught a broad-market boost. The euro was steady in the Asia morning and down 0.6% for the week at \$1.1217.

GBP struck a three-week low...

Sterling, which had rallied on news reports of an impending U.S.-UK trade deal, gave back gains when the agreement turned out to be pretty limited and struck a three-week low of \$1.3220 in early Asian trade. Bank of England has reduced official bank rate by 25 basis points to 4.25%.

CAD fell to three-week low...

The Canadian dollar fell to a three-week low against its U.S. counterpart. The loonie was trading 0.7% lower at 1.3930 per U.S. dollar, or 71.79 U.S. cents, after touching its weakest intraday level since April 16 at 1.3930.

USD/JPY has weakened...

The yen has weakened about 0.7% this week and hit a one-month trough of 146.18 per dollar, before steadying around 145.78.

AUD & NZD set for a weekly loss...

The Australian and New Zealand dollars set for a weekly loss as a hawkish outlook on U.S interest rates lifted the battered greenback, though the direction of travel will now rest on progress in looming Sino-U.S. trade talks at the weekend. The Aussie slipped 0.2% to \$0.6387 having fallen 0.4% overnight. The kiwi dollar eased 0.3% to \$0.5886 after losing 0.6% overnight.

GOLD prices firmed ...

Gold prices firmed, as investors bought bullion following a decline in the previous session, while markets looked ahead to U.S.-China trade talks due this weekend.

OIL prices little changed...

Oil prices little changed early after rising more than 3% in the previous session, as trade tension between U.S. and China showed signs of easing and Britain announced a "breakthrough" trade deal with the United States.