

LKR volatile stable ...

USD/LKR volatility stable and traded around 298.00 – 301.00 and LKR depreciated against USD by 1.79% year to date. Excess liquidity in the Call Money market has increased from the previous day.

Opening Closing	22.05.25		21.05.25	
	299.40	299.60	300.35	300.90
	299.35	299.45	299.60	299.75
Call Money Rate (%) Repo Rate (%) Liquidity (LKR)	22.05.25		21.05.25	
	7.40	7.75	7.92	8.00
	7.75	7.80	7.97	8.03
	22.05.25		21.05.25	
	173.67 Bn		163.15 Bn	

TREASURY BILL latest Auction on 21.05.2025

	This week	Last week	Year ago
03 Months	07.65	07.65	8.76
06 Months	07.97	07.98	9.17
12 Months	08.29	08.30	9.29

TREASURY BOND latest Auction on 09.05.2025

Maturity date		15.10.29	01.11.33
Yield (w.a) %		10.22	10.97
Coupon rate (p.a)(%)		10.35	9.00

BOND CURVE as at 22.05. 25



EQUITY

	22.05.25	21.05.25
Turnover	4,542Mn	2,430Mn
Net Foreign Inflow	313.38Mn	510.38Mn
S&P SL 20	4,842.51	4,816.36
ASPI	16,473.37	16,355.91

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	This Week 16.05.25	Week ago	Year ago
AWPLR (%)	08.58	08.41	09.65
	Mar '25	Feb'25	Year ago
AWDR (%)	07.15	07.21	10.30

INFLATION (%)	Apr'25	Mar '25	Year ago
NCPI-YoY	-0.8	-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	4.2600	4.3247	4.3298	4.2732	4.0755
EUR ESTR	2.1690	2.0820	1.9720	1.8860	1.7870
GBP SONIA	4.2115	4.2190	4.2058	4.1359	4.0058

USD was soft ...

The U.S. dollar was soft, poised to make its first weekly drop in five weeks against the euro and the yen. The dollar index (DXY), which compares the U.S. currency against six other units, including the yen and euro, is set for 1.1% decline this week though it was little changed at 99.829 in early Asia trade.

EUR/USD reversed...

EUR/USD reversed three consecutive daily advances, returning to the 1.1250 zone following weekly peaks in the 1.1360-1.1370 band. The correction in spot came in response to the resurgence of the bid bias in the US Dollar, particularly underpinned by better-than-expected US business activity measures.

The GBP treaded water...

GBP/USD treaded water, marking in a tight circle just north of the 1.3400 handle as global market sentiment suffers knock-on effects from a recent bout of worry that shot through Treasury yields this week.

CAD steadied...

The Canadian dollar steadied against its U.S. counterpart. CAD was trading nearly unchanged at 1.3865 per U.S. dollar, or 72.12 U.S. cents, after trading in a range of 1.3847 to 1.3889.

USD/JPY attracts fresh sellers ...

USD/JPY attracts fresh sellers during the Asian session following the release of hot consumer inflation figures from Japan, which keeps the door open for more interest rate hikes by the BoJ. The yen was steady at 143.84 per dollar, also on course for a 1.2% rise for the week.

NZD stronger AUD seen risk appetite ...

Australian dollar, often seen as a proxy for risk appetite, is set to end the week and month broadly flat against the greenback. The Aussie fetched \$0.6422. New Zealand dollar was 0.2% stronger at \$0.59095, set for a small rise for the week.

GOLD was on track for best weekly gain...

Gold was on track for its best weekly gain in over a month, as a softer dollar and mounting concerns about the deteriorating fiscal outlook of the world's biggest economy boosted the metal's safe-haven appeal.

OIL prices slipped...

Oil prices slipped, weighed down by a stronger U.S. dollar and the possibility that OPEC+ will further increase its crude oil output.