

### LKR volatile...

USD/LKR volatile and traded around 298.50 – 301.25 and LKR depreciated against USD by 1.95% year to date. Excess liquidity in the Call Money market has increased from the previous day.

	26.05.25		23.05.25	
Opening Closing	299.40	299.55	299.20	299.40
	299.70	299.90	299.35	299.45
	26.05.25		23.05.25	
Call Money Rate (%)	7.70	7.74	7.72	7.75
Repo Rate (%)	7.74	7.78	7.75	7.80
Liquidity (LKR)	192.21 Bn		157.78 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 26.05.25



### EQUITY

	26.05.25	23.05.25
Turnover	3,760Mn	3,743Mn
Net Foreign Inflow	70.07Mn	155.94Mn
S&P SL 20	4,838.94	4,842.08
ASPI	16,496.24	16,494.46

### ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	This Week 23.05.25	Week ago	Year ago
AWPLR (%)	08.47	08.58	09.68
	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	-0.10	-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	4.3285	4.3299	4.2714	4.0681
EUR ESTR	2.1700	2.0460	1.9490	1.8490	1.7300
GBP SONIA	4.2114	4.2194	4.2059	4.1484	4.0214

### USD struggled to regain...

The dollar struggled to regain its footing as investor concerns over a sweeping tax and spending bill and its implications for the U.S. debt profile continued to undermine sentiment towards U.S. assets.

The dollar index, which tracks the greenback against other major trading partners, slid 0.1%, down for a third-straight session.

### EUR extended gain...

EUR/USD extended gains and broke above the 1.1400 barrier. Meanwhile, the Greenback fell as investors weighed the news that U.S.A. has extended the deadline for US-EU trade talks to July 9.

### GBP edged up...

The pound edged up to trade around its highest since early 2022. Sterling was up 0.13% at \$1.3558, having touched a session high of \$1.359, its highest since February 2022. Trading volumes were likely to be lighter than usual given public holidays on Monday in both Britain and the United States.

### CAD steadied against USD...

The Canadian dollar steadied against its U.S. counterpart after posting a seven-month high. The loonie was trading nearly unchanged at 1.3734 per U.S. dollar, or 72.81 U.S. cents. Earlier, it touched its strongest intraday level since October 9 at 1.3687.

### JPY refreshes monthly high ...

Japanese Yen refreshes monthly high against USD on strong domestic inflation data. The dollar dropped 0.3% to 142.35.

### The AUD & NZD hit new 2025 highs...

The Australian and New Zealand dollars hit new 2025 highs after U.S.A. fresh tariff threats undermined the greenback, while a rebound in global stocks also aided the risk-sensitive currencies. The Aussie rallied 0.6% to \$0.6536, the highest since late November. The kiwi dollar also gained 0.6% to \$0.6029, the highest since early November.

### GOLD prices edged up...

Gold prices edged up, supported by a weaker dollar and concerns over the U.S. fiscal outlook, while investors looked for further clarity on trade policy after U.S.A. postponed a planned tariff hike on European goods.

### OIL prices eased...

Oil prices eased as market participants weighed the possibility of an OPEC+ decision to further increase its crude oil output at a meeting later this week.