

TREASURY COMMENTARY – 30th May 2025



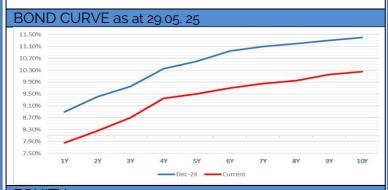
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LKR stable.

USD/LKR stable and traded around 298.00 – 301.00 and LKR depreciated against USD by 1.87% year to date. Excess liquidity in the Call Money market has increased from the previous day.

	29.05.25		28.05.25		
Opening	299.40 299.60		299.75	299.85	
Closing	299.40	299.50	299.40	299.60	
	29.05.25		28.05.25		
Call Money Rate (%)	7.70	7.75	7.75	7.75	
Repo Rate (%)	7.75	7.77	7.75	7.75	
Liquidity (LKR)	207.94 Bn		196.06 Bn		

TREASURY BILL latest Auction on 28.05.2025					
	This week	Last week	Year ago		
03 Months	07.55	07.65	8.62		
06 Months	07.77	07.97	9.04		
12 Months	07.98	08.29	9.18		
TREASURY BOND latest Auction on 29.05.2025					
Maturity date	01.07.28	15.12.29	15.09.34		
Yield (w.a) %	8.85	9.47	10.46		
Coupon rate (p.a)(%)	9.00	11.00	10.25		



	29.05.25	28.05.25
Turnover	6,425Mn	4,272Mn
Net Foreign Inflow	-218.11Mn	-162.72Mn
S&P SL 20	4,963.27	4,918.62
ASPI	16,815.60	16,712.87

ECONOMIC INDICATORS							
			This Week		ek ago	Year ago	
		23.05	25				
AWPLR (%)		08.4	08.47		08.58	09.68	
		Mar '	Mar '25		eb'25	Year ago	
AWDR (%)		07.1	07.15		07.21	10.30	
INFLATION (%)		Apr'a	Apr'25		1ar '25	Year ago	
NCPI-YoY		-0.8	8		-1.9	2.7	
NCPI-Core		-0.1	-0.1		-0.6	3.0	
CCPI –YoY		-2.0	-2.0		-2.6	1.5	
CCPI –Core		0.8	0.8		0.7	3.4	
Bench Mark Rates	0/N	1M	3M	1	6M	12M	
USD SOFR	4.3300	4.3241	4.3398		4.2813	4.0941	
EUR ESTR	2.1670	2.0210	1.93	380	1.8460	1.7360	
GBP SONIA	4.2104	4.2198	4.20	050	4.1519	4.0387	

USD softened.

The U.S. dollar softened, heading for its fifthstraight monthly decline as traders braced for further bouts of uncertainty around trade and fiscal health, while investors awaited a pivotal inflation report later in the day.

The dollar index (DXY), which tracks the U.S. unit against a basket of six other currencies, was muted. The index was set for a decline of 0.4% in May, on course for its fifth month in the red.

EUR one-and-a-half week low...

The EUR/USD one-and-a-half week low, and trades with a mild negative bias. The euro currently hover around the mid-1.1300s, down nearly 0.15%, though the downside remains cushioned.

GBP ticked higher versus the USD...

The pound ticked higher versus the dollar, one of the few major currencies holding its ground against the greenback which earlier surged after a court blocked U.S.A.from imposing import tariffs on other countries.The pound was up 0.12% against the dollar at 1.347.

CAD edged strengthened against USD.

The Canadian dollar strengthened against its U.S. counterpart as some investors doubted a U.S. court ruling would change the outlook for U.S. tariffs.The loonie was trading 0.2% higher at 1.3805 per U.S. dollar, or 72.44 U.S. cents, after moving in a range of 1.3786 to 1.3861.

JPY firmed...

The Japanese yen firmed 0.3% to 143.73 per dollar after data showed underlying inflation in Tokyo hit a more than two-year high in May, keeping alive the chances of further interest rate hikes from the Bank of Japan.

AUD flat and NZD fell...

The Australian and New Zealand dollars fell after a U.S. court blocked sweeping import tariffs from going into effect, sending the U.S dollar sharply higher.The Australian dollar eased a bit to \$0.6429 and was set for a marginal rise in May. The New Zealand dollar last bought \$0.5973.

GOLD prices inched lower...

Gold prices inched lower as investors held back from making big bets ahead of a key U.S. inflation report that could shed more light on the Federal Reserve's policy path.

OIL prices were on track to end the week down.

Oil prices were on track to end the week down more than 1% amid whipsawing tariff rulings in the U.S. and as the market braced for a potential OPEC+ output hike.