

TREASURY COMMENTARY – 17th June 2025

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USD/LKR volatility continued.

USD/LKR volatility continued and traded around 299.50 – 302.50 and LKR depreciated against USD by 1.70% year to date. Excess liquidity in the Call Money market has decreased from the previous day.

	16.06.25		13.06.25			
Opening	299.90	300.10	299.05	299.20		
Closing	300.95	301.15	299.80	300.00		
	16.06.25		13.06.25			
Call Money Rate (%)	7.55	7.72	7.60	7.72		
Repo Rate (%)	7.70	7.80	7.70	7.75		
Liquidity (LKR)	131.87 Bn		187.53 Bn			

TREASURY BILL latest Auction on 11 .06.2025					
	This week	Last week	Year ago,		
03 Months	07.55	07.55	8.70		
06 Months	07.72	07.73	9.04		
12 Months	07.94	07.94	9.27		
TREASURY BOND latest Auction on 12.06.2025					
Maturity date	15.10.29	15.12.32	-		
Yield (w.a) %	9.41	10.29	-		
Coupon rate (p.a)(%)	10.35	11.50	-		



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	16.06.25	13.06.25
Turnover	3,149Mn	3,979Mn
Net Foreign Inflow	-78.0Mn	-17.6Mn
S&P SL 20	5,155.48	5,191.86
ASPI	17,360.19	17,427.08

ECONOMIC INDICATORS						
		This W 13.06		We	ek ago	Year ago
AWPLR (%)		08.2	08.21		08.37	09.15
		Apr '	Apr '25		Mar'25	Year ago
AWDR (%)		07.0	07.08		07.15	09.66
INFLATION (%)		May'	May'25		pr '25	Year ago
NCPI-YoY		-	-		-0.8	1.6
NCPI-Core		-	-		-0.1	3.1
CCPI – YoY		-0.7	-0.7		-2.0	0.9
CCPI –Core		1.2	1.2		0.8	3.5
Bench Mark Rates	0/N	1M	31	1	6M	12M
USD SOFR	4.2800	4.3146	4.3134		4.2295	4.0406
EUR ESTR	1.9230	1.9250	1.G	110	1.8420	1.7620
GBP SONIA	4.2127	4.2071	4.1	387	4.0437	3.8876

USD firmed slightly ...

The USD firmed slightly though most currencies held tight ranges as investors remained uncertain by ongoing tensions in the Middle East and awaited upcoming central bank decisions. The Federal Reserve's policy decision on Wednesday takes centre stage. Expectations are for the central bank to keep rates on hold, though focus will be on any guidance regarding the rate outlook. The USD index (DXY) is working through support at 97.68-72, a cluster of weekly lows in March 2022.

EUR/USD recovered...

EUR/USD recovered after posting a loss of 0.25% last friday, as hostilities between Israel and Iran began, which boosted the greenbacks appeal.

GBP was muted ...

GBP was muted against the USD ahead of a Bank of England meeting this week. GBP was marginally up against the USD at 1.359, after falling as much as 0.7% to a low of 1.3518 on Friday,

The CAD strengthened..

The CAD strengthened against the USD on Monday, and the yield on benchmark government debt climbed. The CAD was trading 0.2% higher at 1.3557, after trading in a range of 1.3559 to 1.3607.

The JPY edged.

The JPY edged a touch higher to 144.70 per USD, reversing some of its declines from the previous session.

AUD fell & NZD eased..

The risk-sensitive AUD fell 0.27% to 0.6507, while the New Zealand dollar NZD eased 0.17% to 0.6049.

GOLD prices rebounded...

Gold prices rebounded as rising tensions between Israel and Iran buoyed demand for the safe-haven asset, while investors looked forward to the outcome of the U.S. Federal Reserve's policy meeting this week.

OIL prices climbed...

Oil prices climbed over 2% as Iran-Israel tension intensified and U.S. President urged "everyone" to evacuate Tehran, increasing the prospect of deepening unrest in the region and disruption to oil supply.