

DOMESTIC NEWS

Activity in the local FX market was subdued on Thursday, with the local unit trading sideways against the dollar.

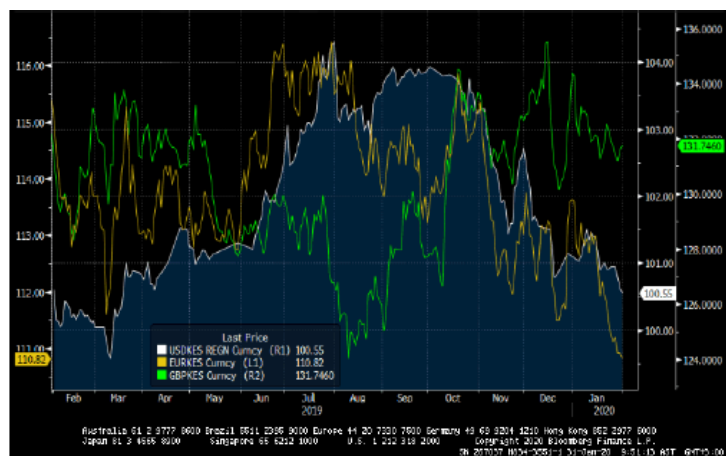
Market participants were slow off the block, leaving the local unit to trade within a tight range on account of matching flows on both the supply and demand counters. The USDKES pair closed the day unchanged.

Ahead of the weekend, we expect the local unit to trade within current ranges and muted market activity continues to depict the local currency scene.

Amounts "100,000"	Today's Opening	
	Buy TT	Sell TT
USD/KES	101.80	111.20
GBP/KES	135.50	147.00
EUR/KES	120.50	132.80
JPY/KES	96.00	110.00

Forward Rate(USD)(1 month)	
BUY	102.00
SELL	111.60
3 Months	
Buy	102.50
SELL	112.40

Money Market Rates	Previous	Current	Change bps
Interbank Rate	3.12%	3.06%	-6.00
91-Day T-bill	6.273%	6.295%	+2.20
182-Day T-bill	6.625%	6.627%	+0.20
364-Day T-bill	7.507%	7.554%	+4.70
Inflation	4.59%	4.36%	-23.00



Source: Bloomberg

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

The dollar steadied against major currencies as traders await today's release of key U.S. jobs data that may cast doubt on the strength of economic recovery from the coronavirus outbreak. The greenback has managed to halt its recent slide, but sentiment remains weak due to concern about the strength of U.S. economic growth and speculation that the Federal Reserve will keep rates low for a very long time.

The EUR/USD pair found bidders keeping it on track for a 10th week of higher lows, but techs, positioning and data divergence (including COVID-19) represent threats to the uptrend.

The pound tumbled for a second-straight day on Thursday, threatening to snap a three-week win on rising expectations the Bank of England could cut rates below zero to support the U.K. economy. GBP/USD fell 0.54% on the day.

Earlier in Asia, USD/JPY was trading at 106.16, as markets get set for the US jobs numbers.

Indicative Deposit Rates			
Amounts > KES 20 million	Amounts > 100,000		
	KES	USD	EURO
Call	2.75%	0.25%	0.00%
1 month	4.70%	0.25%	0.00%
3 months	5.00%	0.35%	0.00%
6 months	5.25%	0.50%	0.00%

Indicative Cross Rates		
	Buy	Sell
EUR	1.1240	1.2640
GBP	1.2520	1.3950
JPY	99.65	114.50
CHF	0.8320	0.9730

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