

FX – INTERBANK RATE:

6-PM	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE	Last Day Close
READY	104.85	104.86	104.85	104.85	104.86

IMF Staff Completes Article-IV Mission to Pakistan:

- IMF staff team visited Dubai during March 28 to April 5, 2017 to conduct discussions with the Pakistani authorities on the 2017 Article-IV Consultation. At the conclusion of the mission, Mr. Finger issued the following statement:
- After 3-years of reforms, Pakistan has strengthened its macroeconomic resilience and economic outlook, providing an opportunity to build on recent progress with structural reforms and set the economy on a higher growth path. However, a number of challenges in the fiscal, external, and energy sectors could affect the hard-won stability gains in the period ahead.
- The team expects economic growth to reach 5% in FY-16/17 helped by improving global economic conditions, rising investment related to the CPEC, and recovering agriculture. At the same time, slower-than-expected growth of LSMI and stagnant exports are weighing on growth prospects. The CA deficit is expected to reach 2.9% of GDP in FY-16/17 owing to a higher trade balance. While average headline inflation is expected to be contained at 4.3%.
- Discussions also focused on the reforms needed to enhance Pakistan’s social safety nets, restructuring and seeking private sector participation in loss-making public enterprises, promoting financial inclusion and deepening, and improving the business climate. Maintaining the reform momentum will be critical for Pakistan to achieve its broader economic objectives and continued effort will be important in the period ahead.

HIGHLIGHTS OF FOMC MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 14-15:

- The information reviewed for the March 14–15 meeting suggested that the labor market strengthened further in January and February and that real GDP was continuing to expand in the 1st quarter. The 12-month change in CPI moved up in recent months and was close to the Committee’s longer run objective of 2%.
- Total nonfarm payroll employment increased at a brisk pace in January and February. The unemployment rate edged back down to 4.7% in February and the labor force participation rate rose over the 1st 2-months of the year.
- In the view of 1-member, it was premature to raise the target range for the federal funds rate at this meeting. That member preferred to await additional information on the amount of slack remaining in the labor market and increased evidence that inflation would stabilize at the Committee’s objective before taking another step to remove monetary policy accommodation.

MONEY MARKET:

- SBP released the numbers of M2-Growth for the week ended 24th March, 2017. According to SBP, M2 recorded a positive growth by 4.74% on YoY basis.
- Today MM initiated at 5.80%-5.90% and traded whole day within the range of 5.80%-6.00% and expected to close at same.
- Today in bond secondary market, when issue traded at the following levels: 3-years at 6.4/41, 5-years at 7.02/6.92 and 10-years at 8.30/20 respectively.

COMMODITIES MARKET:

- GOLD:** Gold traded lower as pressured by a surge in the dollar, after the release of bullish U.S. private sector job growth. Yellow metal is currently trading at \$1,253.60 per ounce.
- CRUDE OIL:** Crude oil advanced but pulled back sharply from 1-month highs, after the latest EIA report showed an unexpected rise in U.S. crude inventories to a record high. Black gold is currently trading at \$51.50 per barrel.

PERIOD	SWAP	Change in Premium	Swap Implied Yield
1-WEEK	0.0724	0.0048	4.55%
2-WEEK	0.1225	-	4.01%
1-MONTH	0.2506	0.0226	3.63%
2-MONTH	0.4478	0.0111	3.67%
3-MONTH	0.6537	0.0169	3.68%
4-MONTH	0.8582	0.0129	3.73%
5-MONTH	1.0590	0.0324	3.74%
6-MONTH	1.2571	0.0337	3.84%
12-MONTH	2.6248	0.0115	4.30%

Indicator	Date	Unit	Value
Foreign Reserves	24-Mar-17	USD bn	21.756
CPI-MoM	1-Mar-17		0.86%
CPI-YoY	1-Mar-17		4.96%
M2 Growth	FY17 YTD		4.76%
SBP Target Rate	FY17 YTD		5.75%
SBP Discount Rate	FY17 YTD		6.25%
FDI	8MFY17	USD bn	1.284
Home Remittance	8MFY17	USD bn	12.363
Current A/C Def.	8MFY17	USD bn	14.73
Trade-Deficit	8MFY17	USD bn	17.389
Kerb USD/PKR	6-Apr-17	Bid/Ask	106.15/105
Govt. Domestic Debt	As at 30-01-2016	Rs tm	16.645
External Debt	As at 30-01-2016	USD bn	74.638
MGO-EM Index	6-Apr-17	Pts	962.59
PSX-100 Index	4/6/2017	Pts	47,377.58

DATA	3-MONTH	6-MONTH	12-MONTH
LIBOR 4-Apr	1.14983%	1.42572%	1.79178%

Tenor	KBOR	PKRV
1-Month	5.76%	5.93%
3-Month	5.86%	5.98%
6-Month	5.90%	6.02%
12-Month	5.95%	6.03%

Tenor	24-Mar-17	6-Apr-17
	Out Off Yields	Bid/Ask
2-Years	-	6.26/22
3-Years	6.4062%	6.42/40
5-Years	6.8993%	7.10/05
10-Years	7.9402%	8.35/30

Tenor	30-Mar-17	6-Apr-17
	Out Off Yields	Bid/Ask
3-Months	5.9910%	5.98/97
6-Months	6.0109%	6.01/5.99
12-Months	5.9935%	6.05/5.99

COMMODITIES	P (L/S)	E-L	T-P	S-L	3/4/2017 YTD P & L %
CRUDE OIL	L	5050	5450	4850	
SILVER					
BRENT OIL					
GOLD USD					7.16%
GOLD EUR USD					1.88%
GOLD GBP USD					
GOLD USD INR					6.63%
GOLD USD CAD					2.46%
GOLD USD CHF					
GOLD AUD USD					

P=POSITION L=LONG S=SHORT P=PROFIT L=LOSS
 TR=TRADE PROFIT SL=STOP LOSS YTD=YEAR TO DATE