Bank Dhofar Morning Market Update

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Global Update

MSCI's Asia Pacific Index, retreated 0.4% with roughly two stocks declining for every one that gained. Japanese shares fell as the economy contracted for the first time in six quarters while tourism and retail-related stocks slumped amid tensions between China and Japan.After weeks of data blackout, investors are set to receive long-awaited readings on the strength of the US economy as government agencies resume releasing key indicators, including employment figures. The data will provide valuable insight into the Federal Reserve's policy trajectory, giving investors a fresh perspective even as enthusiasm for AI-linked equities continues to underpin broader market strength.Attention is also on the cryptocurrency market. Just a little more than a month after reaching an all-time high, Bitcoin erased the more than 30% gain registered since the start of the year as exuberance over the pro-crypto stance of the Trump administration fades. The token advanced 1.5% to trade around $95,000 on Monday.A slew of Fed officials has expressed skepticism over the need for a cut in December, or outright opposed one, less than a month after Chair Jerome Powell warned that a December cut is far from a "foregone conclusion."The Fed will also release minutes from its Oct. 28-29 meeting, shedding light on an unusual split among policymakers after the FOMC cut rates by a quarter-point. This week's breakout through the 154.45-154.50 horizontal barrier was seen as a key trigger for the USD/JPY bulls. Moreover, oscillators on the daily chart are holding comfortably in positive territory and are still away from being in the overbought zone. However, repeated failures to find acceptance above the 155.00 psychological mark warrant some caution before positioning for any further appreciating move. Spot prices might then climb to the 155.60-155.65 intermediate hurdle and eventually aim to reclaim the 156.00 round figure.On the flip side, any further weakness could be seen as a buying opportunity and find decent support near the 154.00 mark. A convincing break below the said handle, however, might prompt some technical selling and drag the USD/JPY pair to the 153.60-153.50 region en route to the 153.00 round figure. The latter should act as a key pivotal point, which, if broken, might shift the bias in favor of bearish traders and pave the way for a slide towards the 152.15-152.10 area.

Source: Reuters, Bloomberg

Currencies

	Open	High	Low
EURUSD	1.1619	1.1625	1.1596
GBPUSD	1.3159	1.3176	1.3142
USDJPY	154.51	154.7900	154.42
USDINR	88.71	88.73	88.65
USDCNY	7.0992	7.1064	7.0992
USDCHF	0.7941	0.7956	0.7935

Rates

	Last Price	Previous Day Close
O/N SOFR	4.000	0.000
1 month SOFR	3.963	3.963
3 month SOFR	3.875	3.875
6 months SOFR	3.780	3.780
12 month SOFR	3.596	3.596
3 years IRS	3.355	3.355

AUDUSD	0.6536	0.6538	0.6512
NZDUSD	0.5680	0.5684	0.5658

The euro fell 0.2% to $1.1597.The Japanese yen fell 0.1% to 154.75 per dollar.The offshore yuan fell 0.1% to 7.1071 per dollar.The Australian dollar fell 0.4% to $0.6514. NZD/USD slid in part on falling household inflation expectations. GBP/USD was sold for a second straight session.

5 years IRS	3.414	3.416

US 2-year yields steady at 3.6% while 10-year yields are little changed at 4.145% as are 30-year yields at 4.75%. Japan's 10-year yield advanced 1.5 basis points to 1.720%.Australia's 10-year yield advanced four basis points to 4.48%.

	Current Levels
CBO Repo Rate	4.75
O/N OMIBOR	4
*Bank Deposit Rates for 1 years	4.00
Bank Deposit Rates for 5 years	4.00

*Amount>500k OMR

Calendar

Key Data Watch	Time (GST)	Expected	Prior
Empire Manufacturing	17:30	5.8	10.7
Construction Spending MoM	19:00	-0.1%	-0.1%

Global Markets

	Level	1-Day Change (%)	YTD (%)
S&P 500	6734	-0.050	14.49
Euro Stoxx 600	575	-1.009	13.24
ShanghaiComposite Index	3973	-0.431	18.54
MSX-30	5660	-1.118	23.66
NIFTY-50	25956	0.179	9.78
Brent Crude ($/bbl)	63.79	-0.932	-10.83
Gold ($/oz.)	4077	-0.165	55.36
DXY	99	0.129	-8.35
Silver($/oz.)	51	0.434	75.78

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