

Bank Dhofar Morning Market Update



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Global Update

Asian equities slowed their advance as a selloff in Chinese stocks intensified, eroding earlier optimism about Federal Reserve policy easing after weak US job openings data. MSCI’s regional stock gauge eked out a 0.1% gain, after climbing as much as 0.7%. Equity-index futures for the S&P 500 and the Nasdaq 100 both edged higher. Treasuries and the dollar were steady. Oil dipped, while gold retreated after seven days of gains. Japanese bond futures extended gains after a closely watched auction of 30-year government notes met demand that was broadly in line with its 12-month average. Meanwhile, selling in mainland Chinese stocks turned heavier, with the CSI 300 Index down 2.5% before the midday break. It came after the nation’s financial regulators are said to be considering a number of cooling measures for the stock market due to concerns about the speed of a \$1.2 trillion rally since the start of August.

Investors willing to brave the UK bond market will likely be able to reap “equity-style” returns by betting on 30-year gilts, according to Calibrate Partners’s Eric Lonergan. He said the recent selloff has been driven by investor psychology rather than real concerns over bloated levels of public sector debt, adding that 30-year gilts yielding close to 5.70% are attractive, especially with inflation likely to be around 2% in the medium term. It’s a bold wager at a time when investors have been fleeing long bonds around the world. While 30-year gilts won some respite on Wednesday, with yields falling as much as eight basis points to 5.61%, they’re still near the highest since 1998 amid worries over lingering inflation pressures and the UK’s rocky economic trajectory.



Source: Reuters, Bloomberg

Currencies				Rates		
	Open	High	Low		Last Price	Previous Day Close
EURUSD	1.1662	1.1669	1.1649	O/N SOFR	4.390	4.340
GBPUSD	1.3444	1.3450	1.3424	1 month SOFR	4.255	4.255
USDJPY	148.10	148.2800	147.80	3 month SOFR	4.160	4.160
USDINR	88.08	88.13	88.00	6 months SOFR	4.008	4.008
USDCNY	7.1415	7.1437	7.1382	12 month SOFR	3.756	3.756
USDCHF	0.8041	0.8045	0.8035	3 years IRS	3.291	3.297
AUDUSD	0.6543	0.6550	0.6523	5 years IRS	3.330	3.331
NZDUSD	0.5878	0.5890	0.5865	S&P 500 futures rose 0.1% as of 11:54 a.m. Tokyo time. Nikkei 225		

The Bloomberg Dollar Spot Index was little changed. The euro was little changed at \$1.1652. The Japanese yen was little changed at 148.19 per dollar. The offshore yuan was little changed at 7.1432 per dollar. The Australian dollar fell 0.1% to \$0.6536. Bitcoin fell 0.6% to \$111,552.75. Ether fell 0.8% to \$4,429.06. West Texas Intermediate crude fell 0.5% to \$63.66 a barrel. Spot gold fell 0.9%

futures (OSE) rose 1.2%. Japan’s Topix rose 0.8%. Australia’s S&P/ASX 200 rose 0.8%. Hong Kong’s Hang Seng fell 1.2%. The Shanghai Composite fell 1.8%. Euro Stoxx 50 futures were little changed. The yield on 10-year Treasuries was little changed at 4.22%. Japan’s 10-year yield declined 2.5 basis points to 1.615%. Australia’s 10-year yield declined five basis points to 4.37%.

	Current Levels
CBO Repo Rate	5
O/N OMIBOR	4.285
*Bank Deposit Rates for 1 years	4.25
Bank Deposit Rates for 5 years	3.93

*Amount>500k OMR

Calendar			
Key Data Watch	Time (GST)	Expected	Prior
Initial Jobless Claims (US)	16:30	230k	235k
Trade Balance (US)	16:30	\$-61.00b	\$-71.70b

Global Markets			
	Level	1-Day Change (%)	YTD (%)
S&P 500	6448	0.510	9.63
Euro Stoxx 600	547	0.665	7.71
ShanghaiComposite Index	3738	-1.973	11.53
MSX-30	5159	0.752	12.72
NIFTY-50	24851	0.548	5.10
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	67.16	-0.636	-6.80
Gold (\$/oz.)	3530	-0.821	34.51
DXY	98	0.098	-9.45
Silver(\$/oz.)	41	-1.053	41.08

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