

# DAILY EYE-OPENER

## Stock Markets

SEMDEX	2146.3	↓
SEMTRI	8066.1	↓
SEM10	419.0	↓
Nikkei	21534	→
DAX	12569	→
Dow Jones	26922	→

## FX Markets

\$/Rs	36.04	↑
€/Rs	40.57	↑
£/Rs	45.18	↑
R/Rs	2.600	↑
¥/Rs	33.50	↑
€/€	1.1258	↑
£/£	1.2537	↑
\$/¥	107.59	↓
\$/R	13.85	↓

## Commodities

Brent Oil	61.93	↓
Gold	1426.10	↑
Sugar	393.30	→
Cattle	107.40	↑
Cotton	60.78	↓

## Benchmark Rates

Rs	3.50%	→
\$	2.50%	→
€	0.00%	→
£	0.75%	→
\$ 3M Libor	2.3025	→
\$ 6M Libor	2.1988	→

## Domestic Markets

### BOM's Intervention takes USD/MUR near 36.50!

The dollar edges higher on the local desk after the BOM intervention at the bid price of 35.95. On the international level the dollar tumbled after Federal Reserve officials bolstered expectations of an aggressive rate cut this month.

The Euro rose by 26 cents against the rupee selling above 41.00 level as the euro strengthened both on the international front and domestically boosted by a higher USD/MUR.

The Cable rose after mass rebellion from at least 30 conservative MPs defeated the government in order to prevent Boris through a no-deal split against their wishes that is to leave the EU on time with or without a no-deal Brexit.

The USD/JPY is likely to stay above 107.59 amid the USD comeback and after FED official hinted about the need to add stimulus in the wake of low inflation.

The South Africa's Rand strengthened to 13.8510 against the dollar after the central bank cut by 25 basis points.

## Global Markets

### USD back on defensive side!

The dollar falls back under pressure after FOMC members ignited expectations of a more aggressive rate cut by the end of this month. The Euro got some strength after this statement but German PPI scheduled for today might take the fiber back to previous lows. A dovish FED and ECB seem to be dampening the pair. Michigan Consumer Sentiment Index is also expected for today and is forecasted to improve which might boost the dollar again limiting its losses.

The Cable recovers from its lows, benefitting from a weaker dollar taking the pair above 1.2500. The pound continues to hunt for political highlights amid absence of economic data from the UK. Meanwhile negotiations between the EU and the UK Parliament maintain its rhythm with no major headlines on Brexit.

Gold prices surge above \$1,450 trading at its highest level since 2013 on raised hopes of rate cut from the US causing pessimism among investors and increasing their appetite for the safe-haven metal. Oil prices hike by \$1.28 cents amid tensions in the Middle East disrupting global crude flows impacting on supply.

## Did you know?



### CCY Holidays- Jul 19

France	Sun 14
JPY	Mon 15

An ATM in Japan heat presses each bill at 392°F for one tenth of a second before it is dispensed, giving you clean bills which are 90% bacteria free.

## FI & MM

Current Bond market state mimic those of the early days of Mauritian Bond market. Wide spreads, retail only buying into duration with larger players parking cash in the shorter end of the curve, and when we say shorter end, 2-5yrs part is excluded! Skimpy Money Market activity shows the malign excess liquidity is back again after dropping to around Rs 8Bn. Cautious managers and treasurers are thinking twice before buying into duration, with the coming Silver Bonds, but could long duration actually be the best course of action? 9th august will tell. #Smells.like.a.cut

## Economic Data Scheduled Today

Country	Data	Time	Prior	Expected
USA	FOMC Member Speaks	19:05	↓	↑

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