

Global Markets Daily

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As we near the end of the quarter, we have the first triple witching day of 2025 where the expiry of equity index futures, equity index options and equity options coincide. This sets the stage for heightened volatility in equities that could also spillover to currencies. Last night, equities slipped and the USD found support. Gold remained above the \$3000 handle and it appears that there is an air of tentativeness ahead of triple witching, which historically tends to lean bearish for equities. This could continue to provide support for safe-havens like the USD, CHF, JPY and gold. Trump invoked Cold-War emergency powers to increase production of critical minerals (incl uranium, copper, potash, gold and possibly coal) in an effort to boost financing, loans and other investment for US firms. Trump also said that a natural resources deal with Ukraine was imminent. Trump also signed an executive order to gut the US education department in an effort to delegate its functions to states. Against a backdrop of slower US growth and firmer inflation, public sector job cuts could eventually weigh further on sentiment and add on to the sense that US exceptionalism is fading.

BOE Holds and SNB Cuts as Expected

BOE held its policy rate at 4.50% in an 8-1 decision, with Governor Bailey urging caution amid a turbulent global outlook and highly uncertain effects on inflation and growth. This was the most hawkish decision in half a year, with members of the MPC that supported rate cuts not switching to prefer standing pat. Dhingra was the sole dissenting vote for a 25bps cut. BOE is now seen to ease by 45bps (prev: 53bps) although the GBP remained weaker against the broadly stronger USD. Elsewhere, SNB cut rates to 0.25% as expected to continue to deter inflows to the CHF. Even with the latest rally in EUR and GBP, CHF NEER & REER have remained elevated. The strong CHF has downside implications for Swiss inflation, and while SNB did not rule out negative rates, the risk of them moving there has now been reduced (with rally in EUR and GBP). We look for CHF to remain stable against a backdrop of heightened global uncertainty.

Data/Events We Watch Today

We watch Feb MY CPI, Feb Thai Trade and Feb UK Public Finances.

FX: Overnight Closing Levels % Change					
Majors	Prev Close	% Chg	Asian FX	Prev Close	% Chg
EUR/USD	1.0851	↓ -0.48	USD/SGD	1.3348	↑ 0.32
GBP/USD	1.2967	↓ -0.28	EUR/SGD	1.4485	↓ -0.15
AUD/USD	0.6303	↓ -0.85	JPY/SGD	0.8972	↑ 0.27
NZD/USD	0.5758	↓ -0.98	GBP/SGD	1.7308	↑ 0.03
USD/JPY	148.78	↑ 0.06	AUD/SGD	0.8414	↓ -0.53
EUR/JPY	161.47	↓ -0.41	NZD/SGD	0.7689	↓ -0.63
USD/CHF	0.8819	↑ 0.47	CHF/SGD	1.5138	↓ -0.15
USD/CAD	1.4325	↓ -0.01	CAD/SGD	0.9318	↑ 0.32
USD/MYR	4.4253	↓ -0.24	SGD/MYR	3.3149	↓ -0.38
USD/THB	33.698	↑ 0.18	SGD/IDR	12359.09	↓ -0.33
USD/IDR	16475	↓ -0.30	SGD/PHP	42.9237	↓ -0.08
USD/PHP	57.228	↓ -0.13	SGD/CNY	5.4292	↓ -0.10

Implied USD/SGD Estimates at, 9.00am

Upper Band Limit	Mid-Point	Lower Band Limit
1.3222	1.3492	1.3761

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G10: Events & Market Closure

Date	Ctry	Event
19 Mar	JP	BOJ Policy Decision
20 Mar	US	FOMC Policy Decision (2AM SG/KL Time)
20 Mar	UK	BOE Policy Decision
20 Mar	SW	SNB Policy Decision
21 Mar	JP	Market Closure

AXJ: Events & Market Closure

Date	Ctry	Event
18 Mar	MY	Market Closure
19 Mar	ID	BI Policy Decision
20 Mar	CH	1Y/5Y LPRs

The Trump Tracker 2025

Date	Market-Moving Events Since Trump's Inauguration on 20 th Jan 2025	Impact on Markets
20 th Jan	Declares National Energy Emergency, roll back on Biden's climate regulations, enable new O&G development on federal lands	Negative for Oil, Better for Inflation Outlook if crude production expands
27 th Jan	Trump threatened to impose 25% tariff on Columbia but did not do so eventually after Columbia reportedly agreed "to all of President Trump's terms" including the "unrestricted acceptance" of immigrants who entered the US illegally within a few hours of the threat.	DXY clocked the low for Jan that day but headed higher thereafter in anticipation of tariffs on Canada and Mexico.
30 th Jan	Eases Regulations on Crypto-Currency Industry. SEC rescinded an accounting rule (SAB 121) which required banks and FIs to treat cryptocurrencies as a liability on their balance sheet.	Supportive of cryptocurrencies but arguably, great expectations may already be in the price. Last check, bitcoin has been gyrating around \$100,000, within \$90-110K, after rising around 60% since Trump won the elections.
1 st Feb - 3 rd Feb	To impose tariffs on China, Canada and Mexico. Trump had issued executive order on 1st Feb (Sat) under the International Emergency Economic Powers Act to impose 25% tariffs on most goods from Canada and Mexico as well as 10% tariffs on goods from China that will take effect on Tue. Canada's energy and oil exports will be taxed at 10%. On top of that, the US legislators have halted the de minimis provision that allows packages worth under \$800 to be exempted from tariffs. Trump said tariffs on EU goods could happen "pretty soon" while trade issues with the UK can be worked out.	USDCAD and USDMXN rose on 3rd Feb (Mon) before making a complete reversal by the end of the session when it was made known that tariffs on the two countries are to be delayed for a month. USDCAD was up 2.5% from open to high, while USDMXN was up 4.6% during the session.
4 th Feb	Trump wants access to Ukraine's rare earths resources in return for aiding its defence against Russia.	An end to the war in Ukraine would be positive for EUR. However, recent tariff threats are likely to weigh.
4 th Feb	Tariffs on China take effect. Trump mentioned about talks with Xi but in the end, the 10% tariff on China came into effect on 4th Feb. China's Retaliation. Almost immediately, China announced a probe into Google, added several US companies to a "blacklist" of entities, impose new export controls on critical minerals¹. imposed 10% tariffs on US products, including coal, LNG and agricultural equipment with effect from 10 Feb.	USDCNH rose at first when US tariffs on China took effect. China's retaliatory moves were seen as mild and restrained, resulting in some retracements. We suspect that markets are confident that PBoC would continue to defend the yuan for now and this is a reflection of cautious optimism that there could be a quick deal. In addition, China also pledged to take the case to the WTO. Its foreign ministry pointed out that "fentanyl is America's problem".
7 th Feb	Trump said "reciprocal tariffs" that could "affect everyone could be announced the following week.	USD started the week on 10 th Feb stronger in anticipation of it.
9 th Feb	Trump told the press that he would impose 25% tariffs on all steel and aluminium.	
10 th Feb	Trump signed executive orders to order 25% tariffs on all steel and aluminium.	Pro-cyclical AUD, CAD, NZD fell more than G10 and Asian peers this morning.
13 th Feb	Trump announces that talks with Putin for a peace deal with Ukraine will begin.	EUR small rebound, within range.

Note¹: Critical minerals include tungsten, tellurium, bismuth, molybdenum and indium products.

Sources: Bloomberg, various news sources, Maybank FX Research & Strategy

March 21, 2025

Date	Market-Moving Events Since Trump's Inauguration on 20 th Jan 2025	Impact on Markets
13 th Feb	Trump signs measure directing USTR and commerce secretary to propose new levies on a county-by-country basis. Howard Lutnick said that studies should be completed by 1 Apr and Trump could act immediately after.	DXY declines on hopes that the tariff timeline can provide some leeway for country to country negotiations.
18 th Feb	Trump threatened 25% tariffs on semiconductor, pharmaceuticals and automobiles - "can go substantially higher over the course of a year".	The DXY index rose a tad in reaction.
25 th Feb	Trump orders investigation into national security risks of dependency on copper imports that could lead to tariffs on the product	US copper futures gain but limited reaction in currency markets
27 th Feb	Trump said tariffs on Canada, Mexico will take effect as scheduled, announced another 10% blanket tariff on China for its role in fentanyl flows into the US	USDCAD, USDMXN and USDCNH rose, taking the DXY broadly higher
3 rd Mar	Trump mentioned levies on agriculture imports to take effect on 2 Apr.	
3 rd Mar	Threatened to impose tariffs on Japan and China for keeping their currencies undervalued.	JPY strengthened and pressure on CNY (owed to upcoming tariffs) was mitigated by this recent threat.
3 rd Mar	Trump stopped military aid to Ukraine. Europe and UK plan to ramp up on military spending.	EUR and GBP surge.
4 th Mar	25% tariffs on Canada, Mexico and additional 10% for China take effect. Commerce Secretary Howard Lutnick hinted of a compromise	USDCAD, USDMXN were higher before coming off on Lutnick's comments.
6 th Mar	US gives a one-month delay to Mexico and Canada on auto tariffs whilst also considering tariff exemptions for some agricultural products for these two countries	USDCAD, USDMXN both pullback
7 th Mar	Trump signs an order pausing tariffs on Canadian and Mexican goods compliant with the USMCA deal until 2 Apr. About 62% of Canadian imports and 50% of Mexican products would remain subject to tariffs.	USDCAD, USDMXN falls further
12 th Mar	25% tariffs on steel and aluminium take effect. Canada will impose 25% tariff on C\$30bn of American goods that will take effect on Thu (14 Mar) EU also targeted EUR26bn of American imports with effect on 13 Apr. Mexico said it will wait until 2 Apr before making further announcements.	EURUSD softened a tad. USDCAD is lower.
14 th Mar	Trump threatens 200% tariffs on wine, champagne and other alcoholic products	EURUSD softer. DXY rises marginally.

Sources: Bloomberg, various news sources, Maybank FX Research & Strategy

G10 Currencies

- **DXY Index - Finds Support.** DXY was last seen at 103.846 levels after broadly gaining against its peers as equities slipped and risk sentiment worsened ahead of today's triple witching. Some of the support could also be coming as market focuses on Fed growth projection downgrades. Recall the USD smile theory, where the USD is better supported even if US growth outcomes deteriorate beyond a certain point. Fed kept benchmark rate unchanged at 4.25-4.50% target rate and the committee has decided to slow the pace of decline of its securities holdings by reducing the monthly redemption cap on Treasury securities from \$25 to \$5bn from Apr. The monthly redemption cap on agency debt and agency MBS will remain at \$35bn. Only Christopher Waller preferred to maintain the pace of QT. The statement accompanying the decision noted that the "uncertainty around the economic outlook has increased". While the median projection showed 50bps of rate cut in 2025 to 3.9% and another 50bps cut in 2026 to 3.4%, unchanged from Dec, we saw a sizeable downgrade in GDP forecast to 1.7% and 1.8% for 2025 and 2026 from prev. 2.1% and 2.0% respectively. Unemployment rate is now seen a tad higher at 4.4% for this year vs. 4.3%. Core PCE inflation forecast was raised to 2.8% from previous 2.5%, expected to cool to 2.2% in 2026. Taken together, the forecast changes suggest a slight shift in risk towards stagflation. Powell emphasized that the policy is in a good place to await further clarity and the economy is still solid. However, the economic outlook is "highly uncertain" and that the Fed is attentive to both of its dual mandate - inflation and employment. In his presser, he noted that surveys suggest that people expect some price increases from tariffs, albeit in the short-term. Dot plot suggests a closer call for one or two cuts than before - two participants away from shifting median rate guidance to just one cut. The DXY index softened from day highs after the statement and projections were released as markets focused on growth downgrades. While the decline of the DXY index has shown signs of deceleration, bias remains bearish and there is little sign of a bullish reversal at this point. We see two-way trades more likely. We also note that the Fed Atlanta GDPNOW estimates 1Q GDP to contract -1.8%q/q (as of 18 Mar 2025), quite a substantial improvement from the figure of -2.8% projected on 3 Mar 2025. As such, this reinforces our view that the USD adjustment to the fading of US exceptionalism and potential for recession could be mostly done.
- **EURUSD - Bullish Bias.** EURUSD was last seen lower at 1.0851 levels as the USD was broadly stronger. On 18 Mar, landmark legislation to increase defence and infrastructure spending beyond the German debt brake passed the Bundestag. Legislation will now need to be ratified by the Bundesrat. Note that timeline is still tight Chancellor-elect Merz is looking to pass legislation before the new Bundestag sits on 25 Mar with Bundesrat ratification on 21 Mar (Fri). If there are any hiccups, the AfD and the left could block changes to spending legislation given that they have a third of the seats in the new Bundestag. Pair retains bullish bias on the prospect of a 30-day truce that the US is brokering for Ukraine and Russia as well as fiscal spending optimism, even as Russia effectively rejected the US ceasefire proposal. Thus far, Russia demands that Ukraine remains neutral, limits on its military and to give up its bid to join NATO. Russia also did not want the presence of European troops in Ukraine. There are some cautions by Western security officers that Russia is making "maximalist demands", knowing that they are unacceptable to Ukraine and Europe. As such, the support for the EUR may not sustain for too long. It should also be considered that an early peace in Ukraine could diminish current resolve for the EU and UK to increase fiscal spending and a correction in their respective currencies should then be seen. EUR has broken out of earlier range and there could be further near-term upside. For now, we retain a bearish view on the EUR given possible US trade policy, divergent monetary policy and political uncertainty. Following the

breakout of the EUR, we see support at 1.0720 (200-dma) followed by the 1.0680 (50% retracement of the Oct-Feb move lower). Resistance level at 1.0960. Data this week includes Jan ECB Current Account and Mar P Consumer Confidence (Fri).

- **GBPUSD - Bullish Bias.** GBPUSD was last seen lower at 1.2965 levels as the USD gained ground overnight. BOE held its policy rate at 4.50% in an 8-1 decision, with Governor Bailey urging caution amid a turbulent global outlook and highly uncertain effects on inflation and growth. This was the most hawkish decision in half a year, with members of the MPC that supported rate cuts not switching to prefer standing pat. Dhingra was the sole dissenting vote for a 25bps cut. BOE is now seen to ease by 45bps (prev: 53bps) although the GBP remained weaker against the broadly stronger USD. We see a further 50bps of cuts for the BOE in 2025. BOE keeping rates higher than G10 peers should continue to provide the GBP with support. Both the EUR and GBP have gained on the prospect of increased defence spending leading to rising yields and concerns over fading US economic exceptionalism. The US had earlier called on its NATO allies to increase defence spending to 5% of GDP. Following a public disagreement between the US and Ukraine, the EU and UK have rallied with Macron calling on Europe to increase defence spending to between 3 to 3.5% of GDP. UK currently spends about 2.3% of GDP on defence, just meeting the 2% NATO target. It should also be considered that an early peace in Ukraine could diminish current resolve for the EU and UK to increase fiscal spending and a correction in their respective currencies should then be seen. We maintain that the GBP could be better sheltered from any potential Trump action, given the services-oriented nature of the UK economy, a goods trade deficit with the US (4Q 2024) and the close relationship between the US and UK. We maintain our view that the GBP could be somewhat sheltered from tariffs as it avoids specific trade action from the Trump administration. On the GBP daily chart, resistance is at 1.3030 and 1.3120 with support at 1.2790. We see bearish divergence on this pair and cable is at risk of pulling back towards 1.2890. Week ahead has Mar GfK Consumer Confidence and Feb Public Finances (Fri).
- **USDCHF - Lower.** USDCHF was last seen higher at 0.8823 levels. SNB cut rates to 0.25% as expected to continue to deter inflows to the CHF. Even with the latest rally in EUR and GBP, CHF NEER & REER have remained elevated. The strong CHF has downside implications for Swiss inflation, and while SNB did not rule out negative rates, the risk of them moving there has now been reduced (with rally in EUR and GBP). We look for CHF to remain stable against a backdrop of heightened global uncertainty. Continue to look for CHF to be supported as a safe-haven in uncertain times. SNB President Schlegel said that rates would only go negative if necessary to keep inflation within the 0 to 2% target band. CHF as a safe-haven should continue to stay resilient as long as tariff fears and threats are still at play. We expect the traditional safe-havens to be better supported on heightened volatility and uncertainty. It could however take some time to catch up with the USD. On the USDCHF chart, resistance is at 0.90 and support is at 0.8690. Data for week ahead includes Feb Money Supply (Fri).
- **USDJPY - Higher, Downside Trend Intact.** USDJPY was last seen at 149.12 as it edged up just slightly this morning. There was not exactly any major catalyst overnight to move the pair. Markets though look jittery at this point especially as we build up to early Apr where there could be major tariff announcements from the Trump administration. Japan is vulnerable to both Trump's reciprocal and sectoral tariffs (autos). The country has not recently been able to get an exemption from Trump steel and aluminum tariff event though it had done so under the Biden administration. This could be rising some anxiety about the tariff situation regarding the country but we are of the view that Japan could just be able

to avoid the worse of the Trump administration's trade measures. The government has gotten off at a good footing with Trump and negotiations for now look to still be ongoing. On other items, headline Feb CPI data was above expectations but showed a slowdown at 3.7% YoY (est. 3.5% YoY, Jan. 4.0% YoY). The resumption of government energy subsidies could have brought the reading lower. The core core number on the other hand was in line with expectations at 2.6% YoY (est. 2.6% YoY, Jan. 2.5% YoY). The numbers as a whole hold comfortably above the 2.0% target and therefore continue to back a BOJ tightening. Back on the chart, support at 145.00 and 140.00. Resistance at 150.00 and 155.00. There are no remaining key data releases this week.

- **AUDUSD - Focus to the downside, Especially on Bad Jobs.** AUDUSD slipped and was last seen around 0.6299 this morning. Feb saw a surprising drop in net employment by -52.8K and the Jan print was also revised lower to 30.5k. The drop consists of -35.7k full time and -17K part-time hire. Participation rate actually dropped to 66.8% vs. previous 67.2%. taken together jobless rate was unchanged at 4.1%. Labour market conditions continue to remain reasonably tight although there are some signs of softening in hiring momentum. That said, AUD remains supported on dips due to rising copper prices due to tight supply conditions amid stockpiling activities. Support remains around 0.6320 before the next at 0.6280 (50-dma). As long as China does not engage in strong tit-for-tat actions, there is a possibility that significant pressure on the AUD could be delayed until the start of Apr. We remain cautious for the rest of 1H 2025. AUD is still susceptible to more confrontation between the US and China. Further signs of de-coupling between Australia's traditional ally and biggest trading partner could hurt AUD sentiment in the medium term. Next support around 0.6280 before 0.6220. Resistance at 0.6350 (100-dma). A rounding bottom has formed.
- **NZDUSD - Bullish.** NZDUSD slipped slightly and was last seen around 0.5760 levels. Pair was also likely underpinned by its 4Q GDP print which came out to be stronger than expected at +0.7%q/q vs. previous -1.1%. Risk-sensitive NZD has been caught in opposing forces - weighed on one hand by tariff threats made on its biggest trading partner - China as well as falling UST yields that widens the carry advantage of the NZD. **Broader USD softness had been supporting this pair on dips.** With RBNZ's policy already well anticipated, drivers into Mar are likely to be related to Trump's trade policies. RBA-RBNZ policy divergence from here could continue to keep the AUDNZD lower.
- **USDCAD - Testing Lower Bound of Range.** USDCAD was last seen at 1.4316 levels, remaining within recent trading ranges. We continue to look for CAD to be under less pressure from here as we are likely passed the peak of US-Canada trade war. Trump's 25% tariffs on steel and aluminum took effect on the 12th Mar with no exceptions. Canada and the EU struck back with Canada imposing 25% tariffs on C\$30bn of US -made products starting Thu while the EU also targeted EUR26bn of American imports. Trump pledged to respond to EU's retaliations. Focus on election with Carney's Liberal Party taking the lead in public polls - having the support of 42% of decided voters vs. 39% for Pierre Poilievre's Conservative Party based on survey taken between 14-16 Mar. There are some expectations for the federal election to happen soon but it must take place on or before 25 Oct 2025. BoC had taken its policy rate lower by another 25bps to 2.75% in line with consensus (including our own) but Macklem was considerably hawkish, commenting that "BoC will proceed carefully with any further changes" whilst noting that the trade battle with the US a "new crisis". In the statement, the central bank noted that inflation expectations have risen as consumers expect tariffs to increase prices. That could mean that further rate cuts are data-dependent and would face a higher hurdle than cuts thus far. Data-wise, we have Jan retail sales (Fri).

- **Gold (XAU/USD) - *The End of Ceasefire at Gaza, Trump's trade policies Lifting Gold.*** Gold was last seen at 3036.10 levels after breaching the psychological 3000-barrier last week. Trump's aggressive and fluid trade policies seem to have ramped up demand for the bullion. The gold metal continues to be supported by concerns on geopolitical conflicts (uncertainty of the trajectory that the war in Ukraine would take and now that Europe is ramping up on defence, there could be greater probability of a conflict). Putin has rejected Trump's call for a 30-D ceasefire in Ukraine whilst only agreeing to limit attacks on Ukraine's energy infrastructure. The US had urged for Putin to halt attacks on energy and infrastructure. Meanwhile, Israel had ended the ceasefire with a series of military strike across Gaza, likely another key bullish driver of the bullion. Next resistance at 3110.

Asia ex Japan Currencies

SGDNEER trades around +1.04% from the implied mid-point of 1.3492 with the top estimated at 1.3222 and the floor at 1.3761.

- **USDSGD - Sideways.** USDSGD was last seen higher at 1.3351 levels this morning as the USD was broadly stronger overnight. Our economists suggest recent softer CPI print opens the door for MAS to ease further in Apr. SG Budget 2025 was released earlier with a projected S\$6.8b fiscal surplus (or about 0.9% of GDP). Budget is expansionary even with the healthy surplus. Our economists maintain their growth forecasts at +2.6% (2025) and +2.3% (2026). Vouchers are expected to cushion consumption amid an uncertain global environment. MAS eased for the first time since 2020 (24 Jan 2025) and the market reaction has been rather muted - a possible indication that this move was expected. The move looks to be one that is calculated to be a tad more growth supportive while continuing to hold the reins on inflation. The trade-weighted SGDNEER is at +1.04% above the mid-point this morning and looks to remain supported in line with our expectations. We expect that SGD could be sheltered given the correlation of SG/US rates. Moreover, Singapore is unlikely to be singled out by the US for additional tariffs given that it has a bilateral trade deficit with the US. Regional safe-haven properties are also likely to be supportive for the SGD. MAS policy continues to be supportive of SGD strength and we look for the resilience to continue even with this easing. We do not expect SGDNEER to weaken too much further even with MAS easing (slight slope reduction). In the medium-term, we remain positive on the SGD given robust macro fundamentals and a monetary policy that has an appreciating currency as a default stance. Resistance at 1.3400. Support at 1.3350. Feb NODX printed at 7.6% YoY (exp: 9.7%; prev: -2.1%) and electronics exports rose by 6.9% YoY (prev: 9.5%).
- **SGDMYR - Range Trading.** SGDMYR was last seen lower at 3.3050. SGD and MYR have been resilient and we expect that to continue and for pair to range trade between 3.29 to 3.35 levels. Resistance at 3.35 and 3.40. Support at 3.29 and 3.27.
- **USDMYR - Sideways.** Pair was last seen lower at 4.4235. The move is simply just in line with the broad dollar being lower than at the close of the USDMYR yesterday. As a whole, Pair remains within the recent range of 4.40 - 4.50. External developments including those related to the US and China look like it would continue to be the main driver for the MYR. Back on the chart, resistance at around 4.5000 (around 200-dma) and 4.6300. Support at 4.3600. Feb trade balance was wider at MYR12.62bn (est. MYR8.40bn, Jan. MYR3.66bn). Remaining key data releases this week include Feb CPI (Fri).
- **1M USDKRW NDF - Sideways, Watching Yoon's saga.** 1M USDKRW NDF was last at around 1464.99 levels this morning, higher on jitters from Yoon's impending verdict. BOK's minutes showed that members were looking to support economic sentiment and momentum. Yoon's impeachment verdict is imminent although public opinion is divided 58% in favour and 37% against impeachment. KRW made some advances earlier on the back of China stimulus optimism. BOK recently cut rates by 25bps to bring its policy rate to 2.75%, largely in line with both the market and our expectations. Decision was unanimous and heralds potentially the start of rate cuts to be more growth supportive, in line with most other central banks globally. BOK maintains a cautious outlook given the highly volatile FX outlook and the potential for upside risks to inflation. However, if the current disinflationary trajectory were to continue, it would not be a surprise for us to see more cuts in the future. President Yoon has been indicted, and elections will need to be held within 60 days should he be removed from office. However, there remains plenty of concerns for the KRW. The political situation is highly uncertain with a snap election likely.

Opposition leader Lee Jae-myung had proposed compiling an extra budget worth at least KRW30trn to prop up the economy in the face of headwinds posed by political uncertainties and tariff threats. There also remains risks that the BOK could cut rates in the coming months given the economic concerns. We see markets are likely to stay cautious too and so are we too amid these concerns on the KRW. For near term, we are watching how both the political and Trump tariff developments pan out. Back on the chart, resistance is at 1460. Support is at 1440 followed by 1420. Data this week includes Feb PPI and Mar 20-days Exports/Imports.

- **USDCNH - Higher.** USDCNH hovered around 7.2350, still within the 7.22-7.30 range. The USDCNY reference rate was fixed higher this morning at 7.1754, albeit in the same direction as the consensus at 7.2348. Gap between the fix and estimate hovered around 594 pips. The benign USD and US rates environment are thus allowing yuan fix and spot prices to converge. As long as China does not engage in strong tit-for-tat actions, yuan seems to be relatively stable. The recent 30-point consumption plan is also providing some support for yuan sentiment. LPR was kept unchanged at 3.10% for 1Y and 3.60% for 5Y. **Separately, a Deutsche survey revealed that consumer sentiment has improved from last year with 60% of respondent looking for an income increase in the year ahead and 52% willing to raise their discretionary expectations. That said, the property sector remains a concern for 63% of respondents.** Nonetheless, we suspect the USD could continue to remain supported. We continue to hold the view that the worst of US-China trade conflict is not here. The US is due to make a decision on China's PNTR status from 1 Apr and there could be more tariff adjustments from here. However, it seems that China is not willing to engage in strong tit-for-tat retaliations thus far and that has been keeping the yuan stable. There could come a time when yuan would be allowed to weaken in order to help cushion the impact of excessive tariffs from the US.
- **1M USDIDR NDF - Lower.** 1M USDIDR NDF was last seen at 16511 as it declined slightly. Nonetheless, it remains around the recent 16500 mark. We stay wary of the currency going into next week especially as we build up into early Apr where several tariff related announcements are due from the Trump administration. Indonesia is not a heavily trade exposed country but the general EM sentiment being weighed down by the tariffs can impact the currency. Risks for now remain two-way. Back on the chart, resistance is at 16600 and 16750. Support at 16200 and 16000. There are no remaining key data releases this week.
- **1M USDPHP NDF - Higher, Cautious.** The 1M USDPHP NDF was last seen at 57.29 as it edged higher in line with the broad dollar. We stay wary of the currency going into next week especially as we build up into early Apr where several tariff related announcements are due from the Trump administration. Philippines is not a heavily trade exposed country but the general EM sentiment being weighed down by the tariffs can impact the currency. Meanwhile, BSP Governor Eli Remolona has said that they would resist "a big swing toward the direction of depreciation" for the PHP as it "tends to be inflationary". Back on the chart, support at 57.00 and 56.00. Resistance is at 58.50 and 59.50 around the recent Dec high). There are no remaining key data releases this week.
- **USDTHB - Higher, Cautious.** Pair was last seen at 33.84 as it climbed in line with the broad dollar and the USDCNH. Gold remains elevated though, providing a support for the THB. USDTHB as a whole though remains within a recent range of 33.50 - 34.50. We are cautious on the pair as we build up to early Apr, where several US tariff related announcements are due. The THB is vulnerable to the trade tensions given that Thailand is among the most trade exposed countries regionally. Also, the country is at the crosshairs of the US reciprocal tariffs. We do note the potential of further

climb in gold prices but that may only just partially offset some of these concerns. Two-way risks for now regarding the pair. Back on the chart, support at 33.50 and 33.00. Resistance is at 34.50 and 35.00. Remaining key data releases this week include Feb trade data (Fri) and 14 Mar gross international reserves/forward contracts (Fri).

- **1M USDINR NDF- Lower.** USDINR 1M NDF was last seen lower at 86.58 levels. Feb CPI Inflation in India eased to a seven-month low at 3.61% YoY (exp: 3.98%; prev: 4.30%). This should provide RBI with the space to cut rates further. RBI Chief has hinted at some willingness to allow more flexible currency moves. There was likely some RBI intervention earlier as INR rallied by about 1.2%. Some have suggested that the RBI has been less interventionist under new governor Sanjay Malhotra, but this episode is evidence to the contrary. RBI could be trying to draw a line in the sand, with INR weakness pretty much a one-way street since Trump's election win. RBI's latest bout of intervention could necessitate a further injection of liquidity into INR money markets. Modi has already sought to directly engage Trump as India also warms ties with China with the resumption of direct flights between the two countries resuming in late Jan. Both countries could be aware of the potential mutual benefit from close collaboration amid a more challenging and uncertain external environment. Growth support is likely to be a major concern for the RBI, as more generally central banks have shown a preference to opt to be more growth supportive and are generally less worried about inflation. INR could face some near-term pressures as expectations of easing build, although it remains one of the more sheltered against the impact of US tariffs. Also contrary to what some might suggest, we think RBI maintains a relatively tight grip on the INR Resistance at 87.00. Support at 86.00. Data this week includes 14 Mar FX Reserves and 4Q CA Balance (Fri).
- **USDVND - Supported on Dips.** USDVND was last seen around 25557. Pair has been trading within 25430-25600 range. The reference rate was fixed at a new high at 24813. EUR, GBP, JPY and to some extent CNH gains have been able to bring the USD lower. A range seems to be established recently within 25430-25600. Resistance at 25600 before the next at 25800. Support around 25370. At home, Vietnam has allowed 49% of foreign ownership in domestic banks, up from 30%.

Malaysia Fixed Income

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- Ringgit government bonds experienced another strong buying spree in the first half yesterday, then cooled down towards the end of the day as buying momentum dwindled and sellers emerged to take profits following the decline in yields. The belly and the long end part of the MGS and GII curves shifted lower by 1-3bp. The post-FOMC rally in UST probably lent some support to market sentiment and sustained the appetite for duration, although local factors remain more significant for Ringgit bonds.
- MYR IRS moved lower again, closing 1-2bp lower on the day, in line with the stronger sentiments in MGS and UST. 3M KLIBOR was unchanged at 3.66%. 2y IRS traded at 3.44% and 3.445%. 5y IRS traded at 3.45% and 3.46%.
- In the PDS market, liquidity improved with bulk of the volume in GG, which saw better buying, causing spreads to narrow by 2-3bp. AAA traded mixed, with Pengurusan Air SPV dealt at MTM, while JCorp, DIGI and Cagamas dealt 2bp lower in yield. AA2 OSK 4/28 spread narrowed 2bp for MYR10m. AA3/AA- Edra Energy 1/27 saw MYR20m dealt 2bp higher.

Singapore Fixed Income

Rates Indicators

SGS	Previous Bus. Day	Yesterday's Close	Change (bps)
2YR	2.47	2.47	Unchg
5YR	2.54	2.54	Unchg
10YR	2.68	2.68	Unchg
15YR	2.75	2.74	-1
20YR	2.75	2.74	-1
30YR	2.71	2.71	Unchg

Source: MAS (Bid Yields)

- SGS yields continued to stick within the recent range, with little motivation to push in either direction ahead of the US FOMC policy decision, which was announced after Asia's close. Overall, the SGS curve changed little yesterday, and the 10y SGS yield was flat at 2.68%. The overnight SORA increased 10bp to 2.44% on 18 March.

Indonesia Fixed Income

Rates Indicators

Gov't Bonds	Previous Bus. Day	Latest Day's Close	Change
1YR	6.50	6.52	0.02
2YR	6.61	6.63	0.02
5YR	6.80	6.80	(0.01)
10YR	7.10	7.11	0.01
15YR	7.11	7.11	0.00
20YR	7.13	7.12	(0.01)
30YR	7.06	7.08	0.02

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- Most Indonesian government bonds slightly weakened yesterday. The market players seemed kept realizing their profits on Indonesian government bond after seeing minimal positive sentiments from both domestic and global sides. We believe the volatility to keep persisting due to higher again of the geopolitical tension. On the global side, we saw the news that Elon Musk is set to get access to top-secret U.S. military plans for any potential war with China in a major expansion of his role. The Pentagon is scheduled to brief him on Friday. The U.S. also sanctioned a Chinese refinery for the first time. Then, on the domestic side, the local Demonstrators rejected the ratification of the law on expanding the role of the national military in civil public office in front the National Representative's building yesterday. We saw a minor of social economic impact from yesterday's demonstration. impact For the long tenor series of government bonds, we saw a high attractiveness after their yields continued increasing. For the short-medium series of government bonds, the pressures still exist, as shown by higher level of Indonesian 5Y CDS ratio to above 90 today.

Foreign Exchange: Daily Levels

	EUR/USD	USD/JPY	AUD/USD	GBP/USD	USD/CNH	NZD/USD	EUR/JPY	AUD/JPY
R2	1.0963	149.42	0.6406	1.3052	7.2732	0.5872	163.1033	95.3717
R1	1.0907	149.10	0.6354	1.3009	7.2627	0.5815	162.2867	94.5753
Current	1.0854	148.96	0.6299	1.2966	7.2488	0.5760	161.6800	93.8320
S1	1.0805	148.32	0.6261	1.2930	7.2340	0.5712	160.6967	93.0743
S2	1.0759	147.86	0.6220	1.2894	7.2158	0.5666	159.9233	92.3697

	USD/SGD	USD/MYR	USD/IDR	USD/PHP	USD/THB	EUR/SGD	CNY/MYR	SGD/MYR
R2	1.3426	4.4396	16558	57.2867	33.9607	1.4555	0.6135	3.3452
R1	1.3387	4.4325	16517	57.2573	33.8293	1.4520	0.6119	3.3301
Current	1.3351	4.4200	16493	57.2800	33.8450	1.4492	0.6100	3.3109
S1	1.3299	4.4180	16447	57.1643	33.5633	1.4458	0.6095	3.3065
S2	1.3250	4.4106	16418	57.1007	33.4287	1.4431	0.6087	3.2980

*Values calculated based on pivots, a formula that projects support/resistance for the day.

Policy Rates

Rates	Current (%)	Upcoming CB Meeting	MBB Expectation
MAS SGD 3-Month SIBOR	3.3000	Apr-25	Neutral
BNM O/N Policy Rate	3.00	8/5/2025	Neutral
BI 7-Day Reverse Repo Rate	5.75	23/4/2025	Easing
BOT 1-Day Repo	2.00	30/4/2025	Neutral
BSP O/N Reverse Repo	5.75	10/4/2025	Easing
CBC Discount Rate	2.00	19/6/2025	Neutral
HKMA Base Rate	4.75	-	Easing
PBOC 1Y Loan Prime Rate	3.10	-	Easing
RBI Repo Rate	6.25	9/4/2025	Easing
BOK Base Rate	2.75	17/4/2025	Easing
Fed Funds Target Rate	4.50	8/5/2025	Easing
ECB Deposit Facility Rate	2.50	17/4/2025	Easing
BOE Official Bank Rate	4.50	8/5/2025	Easing
RBA Cash Rate Target	4.10	1/4/2025	Neutral
RBNZ Official Cash Rate	3.75	9/4/2025	Easing
BOJ Rate (Lower bound)	0.00	1/5/2025	Tightening
BoC O/N Rate	2.75	16/4/2025	Easing

Equity Indices and Key Commodities

	Value	% Change
Dow	41,953.32	-0.03
Nasdaq	17,691.63	-0.33
Nikkei 225	37,751.88	-0.25
FTSE	8,701.99	-0.05
Australia ASX 200	7,918.89	1.15
Singapore Straits Times	3,930.49	0.57
Kuala Lumpur Composite	1,504.16	-0.39
Jakarta Composite	6,381.67	1.11
Philippines Composite	6,323.13	0.16
Taiwan TAIEX	22,377.26	1.90
Korea KOSPI	2,637.10	0.32
Shanghai Comp Index	3,408.95	-0.31
Hong Kong Hang Seng	24,219.95	-2.23
India Sensex	76,348.06	1.19
Nymex Crude Oil WTI	68.26	1.64
Comex Gold	3,043.80	0.09
Reuters CRB Index	307.41	0.36
MBB KL	10.18	-1.24

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