

Global Markets Daily

Dollar to Climb More?

DXY Approaches Key Resistance at 100.00

The DXY starts the week near the key 100.00 resistance, a level it previously failed to break in 2H25. Recent gains were driven by the FOMC, where Powell said a Dec cut was “far from” a “foregone conclusion,” and a BOJ meeting where Ueda offered few hawkish cues. With these events behind us, major catalysts for further DXY upside this week can be somewhat limited. The outcome of the BOE meeting on Thurs is being closely watched and whilst a hold is expected, markets are looking out for any dovish cues. Markets have been pricing in an increased likelihood of a Dec cut because of the softer than expected inflation reading. However, it may just be too premature for markets to be raising their bets given inflation is still sticky on its own right and therefore, any paring back of expectations could lift the GBP and weigh on the Dollar. The GBPUSD pair itself is testing the 1.3150 support. We do note though Autumn budget concerns linger on the horizon. Meanwhile, the USDJPY is also close approaching the 155.00 level, where beyond that mark, there is an increasing risk of BOJ intervention. At the end of last week, we did get some jawboning from Fin Min Katayama who mentioned that they are observing “very one-sided” moves. Overall, we are keeping cautious on further DXY strength and would not rule out a pullback.

White House Releases “China Deal” Fact Sheet, OPEC+ Pauses

The White House released more details on the trade deal, under which China will suspend some rare earth controls, buy US soybeans, resume Nexperia shipments, end probes into US chip firms, and curb fentanyl exports. In return, the US will cut fentanyl-related tariffs to 10% from 20%, extend Section 301 tariff exclusions, and pause for a year the expansion of export controls on Chinese-affiliated targeted firms. The truce between the two sides does represent some relief for markets but take note, this may only buy time for the two to reduce their reliance on each other. Asian FX can avoid a hit but risks of a flaring in tensions remain. Separately, OPEC+ announced a pause in output increases for 1Q26, though a small hike is planned in Dec. Oil prices held steady as markets also weighed uncertainty around Russian sanctions. Brent gains are likely capped below 70.00, which should be of some benefit to net oil-importing Asian FX such as THB, PHP, KRW.

Data/Events We Watch

US Oct ISM Mfg, US Oct F S&P Global PMI

FX: Overnight Closing Levels % Change					
Majors	Prev Close	% Chg	Asian FX	Prev Close	% Chg
EUR/USD	1.1537	↓ -0.24	USD/SGD	1.301	↑ 0.02
GBP/USD	1.3152	↑ 0.01	EUR/SGD	1.5018	↓ -0.17
AUD/USD	0.6545	↓ -0.15	JPY/SGD	0.8447	↑ 0.12
NZD/USD	0.5724	↓ -0.31	GBP/SGD	1.7111	↑ 0.05
USD/JPY	153.99	↓ -0.09	AUD/SGD	0.8514	↓ -0.13
EUR/JPY	177.67	↓ -0.33	NZD/SGD	0.7448	↓ -0.25
USD/CHF	0.8046	↑ 0.32	CHF/SGD	1.617	↓ -0.31
USD/CAD	1.401	↑ 0.17	CAD/SGD	0.9285	↓ -0.16
USD/MYR	4.1885	↓ -0.18	SGD/MYR	3.2212	↓ -0.29
USD/THB	32.34	↓ -0.11	SGD/IDR	12791.68	↓ -0.16
USD/IDR	16630	↓ -0.06	SGD/PHP	45.171	↓ -0.42
USD/PHP	58.885	↔ 0.00	SGD/CNY	5.4684	↓ -0.01

Implied USD/SGD Estimates at, 9.00am

Upper Band Limit	Mid-Point	Lower Band Limit
1.2891	1.3154	1.3417

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G10: Events & Market Closure

Date	Ctry	Event
3 Nov	JP	Market Closure
4 Nov	AU	RBA Policy Decision
6 Nov	UK	BOE Policy Decision

AXJ: Events & Market Closure

Date	Ctry	Event
5 Nov	India	Market Closure
6 Nov	MY	BNM Policy Decision

G10 Currencies

- **DXY Index - *Breaking out Higher?*** The DXY index has been on the upmove and has finally breached a key resistance at 99.60, last printed 99.78. This was not within our expectations as we had not expected BoJ to be this dovish. JPY weakness became a significant factor for broader USD strength this time round. On top of that, Fed's hawkish signals had also given the UST yields a lift and that had also enabled the greenback to maintain some carry advantage. Recall that the Fed voted 10-2 to lower the FFTR by 25bps to 3.75-4.00%, in line with expectations. The balance sheet run-off will end on 1 Dec. The two dissenters were divergent - Fed Miran wanted a 50bps cut while Fed Schmid favored no rate change. Statement noted economic activity has been expanding at a moderate pace, inflation "has moved up since earlier in the year and remains somewhat elevated" while "downside risks to employment rose in recent months". Schmid's hawkish dissent was his first and a surprise to most. We recall that the Sep dot plot had 10 participants in favour of at least three cuts this year while 9 look for only two at most - a very divided committee due to the conflicts in Fed's dual mandates of full employment and price stability. In Powell's presser, he assured that public and private sector data suggest that the macro outlook has not changed much since Sep and added that the rate cut in Dec is "far from" forgone conclusion. He also described this move as a "risk-management" move to bring policy closer to neutral but the next cut "is a very different thing". This was the second hawkish surprise. Now the probability of a rate cut in Dec is cut to 68% from 92%. That probably leaves room for two way movements in the DXY. Back on the DXY index, the 99.60-resistance was broken and last printed 99.78. Next resistance is seen around 100.50 (200-dma). Support remains at 98.70 before the next at 98.20 and then at 97.40 and 96.40. Looking across currencies last week, G10s lagged the AxJ currencies possibly because the ASEAN summit, APEC summit had an outcome more favourable for regional countries. Data-wise, Oct ISM Mfg is due today, Sep trade, JOLTS job openings, factory orders, factory orders are due on Tue. Wed has ADP employment for Oct, ISM services for Oct are due on Wed, weekly jobless claims are due on Thu, NFP are due on Fri. With regards to the shutdown, an extension of the US government shutdown beyond the last record of 35 days (5 Nov) is USD negative.

- **EURUSD - *French Political Paralysis Could Continue.*** EURUSD was seen lower at 1.1527 levels as the USD continued to gain amid Fed repricing on the back of Fed Powell guidance that a Dec cut was "far from guaranteed". EUR is unlikely to head much higher, crimped by domestic concerns. France was downgraded by S&P on 17 Oct with Moody's maintaining the Aa3 rating while shifting the outlook to "negative" on 24 Oct. It remains to be seen if Lecornu can push through a budget for 2026 after surviving a no-confidence vote narrowly and there are still risks on this front for the EUR. Given the state of play in French parliament, Lecornu could still survive a no-confidence motion but be placed in a state where his government cannot meaningfully govern, thereby prolonging French political paralysis. He may well be forced to use article 49.3 to push through the budget even though he previously said that he would not. We continue to watch out for risks to the EUR on this front. We continue to believe that French political developments have bearish risks for the EUR, with no end to the current crisis in sight. We reiterate our view that risks to the EUR are bearish, although there could be limited downside to the EUR at this juncture. Calling legislative elections could be one of Macron's options with France essentially ungovernable in its current state. Moreover, Russia continues to provoke European countries with hybrid attacks. Lagarde said that the ECB's interest stance was "not fixed", perhaps as an indication that the market should not be too sure of itself and data dependency will prevail. Wall Street banks are suggesting that the EUR

could continue its bull run amid diversification away from the USD to 1.20, but we remain skeptical given the multiple risks (Ukraine War, French disarray, Pharma tariffs) that we see as underpriced. As such, we think the path to a higher EUR could be a tad more nuanced than Wall Street expects. We are looking for no further cuts from the ECB in 2025 and the Fed-ECB divergence could provide tailwinds to drive the pair higher, but French political risks do seem a tad underpriced at the moment. We stay cautious of potential whipsaws in the EUR. The ECB was cautious of potential upside risks to inflation (while recognizing that there are also downside risks) and as such are likely to adopt a wait and see approach, supporting our view for no further ECB cuts. Moreover, current rates are viewed to be broadly within the territory of neutral rates (R^*) and the ECB viewed fiscal expansion in the euro area (defence spending) as having the potential to raise neutral rates. Lastly, ECB views recent EUR strength as structural and unlikely to change soon. Back on the charts, we see two-way risks for the EURUSD given overbought conditions and bullish momentum. Next resistance is seen at 1.1700 followed by 1.1750. Support at 1.1600 followed by 1.1500.

- **GBPUSD - Lingerin Fiscal Risks.** GBPUSD was lower at 1.3134 levels as the USD continued to gain amid Fed repricing on the back of Fed Powell guidance that a Dec cut was “far from guaranteed”. GBP went sharply lower after the OBR downgraded official UK productivity forecasts by more than expected, leaving Chancellor Reeves with a hole that will need to be filled for the budget. Probability of a cut in Nov/Dec has risen to 26%/38% (prev: 13%/29%) on last week’s softer UK Sep inflation print, although it has pulled back from recent highs. For now, we maintain our view for no further cuts from the BOE and that the Fed-BOE divergence should hold. Chancellor Reeves could blame Brexit for the black hole in UK finances with the OBR budget analysis admitting that they could have been too optimistic about growth. She advocated for fiscal rigour to win votes and said that the UK did not need a standalone wealth tax in a Labour party congress. The GBP and gilts advanced in tandem on the back of Reeves’ speech. Meanwhile BOE Ramsden said there was scope to cut interest rates further and predicted that pressures from services and wages would continue to ease. Pharma tariffs could weigh on the GBP with a few pharmaceutical giants such as GSK, AstraZeneca and Hikma based in the UK. BOE held rates at 4% in line with expectations with policymakers echoing growing concerns over the state on inflation. Vote split was 7-2 in favour of the stand pat vs a cut, with doves Dhingra and Taylor backing a quarter point cut. There is a view that UK fiscal risks could be overstated (given relatively stable public net debt and expectations of improving fiscal deficit) and as such the GBP could make advances. We believe that the fiscal risk for the UK remain fairly priced and remain cautiously optimistic for the GBP. BOE unveiled proposals to improve the resilience of the gilts market in times of stress amid concerns over the UK’s fiscal position ahead of the Autumn budget. BOE Bailey played down the importance of the rise in long-dated gilt yields and cautioned of overstating the importance of such a move. Nevertheless, there could be further volatility ahead of the much anticipated Autumn budget as concerns over the UK’s fiscal position linger. The Treasury is considering a new tax on the sale of homes worth more than GBP500K as a step towards a radical overhaul of stamp duty and council tax. Rising yields add pressure on Chancellor Rachel Reeves ahead of her autumn budget (normally due late Oct/early Nov). Back on the GBPUSD chart, this pair trades with a downside bias with support at 1.3100 and 1.3000. Rebounds to meet resistance at 1.3200 and 1.3250.

- **USDCHF - Intervention Risks.** USDCHF was last seen higher at 0.8049 levels as the USD continued to gain amid Fed repricing on the back of Fed Powell guidance that a Dec cut was “far from guaranteed”. Pair trades back within the 0.8020 to 0.8160 range. SNB released first ever minutes

of its meeting which showed that it was not keen to take rates below zero. CHF could be better supported than peers on safe-haven demand. Market rumors suggest that SNB has been intervening with the latest bout of EUR weakness a likely trigger. Reports suggest that Switzerland has offered to invest in US gold refining as part of a proposal to reduce the 39% tariff levied on Swiss goods. Pharma tariffs could weigh on the CHF with Switzerland the 2nd largest exporter of pharmaceuticals to the US in 2024. We flag possible SNB intervention risks if CHF strength is too one-sided. SNB will now provide more transparency and give a summary of their meeting a month after the fact. CHF has likely been supported by higher gold prices as a possible proxy for gold. Earlier released sport event-adjusted GDP expanded +0.1% q/q from previous +0.8%, above the expected -0.1% contraction expected for 2Q. However, the outlook is less certain. Thus far, the Swiss government had failed to get a trade deal with the US government. We see no further cuts from SNB this year unless inflation heads into negative territory, which is a possibility but not our base case. On the USDCHF chart, support at 0.7870 while resistance is at 0.8000. Pairing is pressured to the downside. Data-wise, we have retail sales for Sep on Thu.

- **USDJPY - *Upside Pressure***. Pair was last seen at 154.13 as it continued to face upwards pressure following the outcome of last week's BOJ meeting. Onshore markets are also shut today for a public holiday, which also implies that liquidity could be lower. 155.00 remains the key psychological resistance being watched as beyond that mark, there is an increasing risk of BOJ intervention. There has been jawboning from Fin Min Katayama as she noted of "very one-sided" and "rapid currency" moves. We stay cautious of further upside on the USDJPY, especially if markets become more wary of BOJ intervention risks. After, 155.00, the next two key resistance levels are 158.00 and 160.00. Support is at 153.00 and 150.00. Key data releases this week include Oct F S&P Global PMI (Tues), Oct monetary base (Wed), Sep cash earnings (Thurs), Oct F S&P composite/services PMI (Thurs), Sep household spending (Fri) and 31 Oct Japan/foreign buying Japan/foreign stocks/bonds (Fri).
- **AUDUSD - *Back to Range-Trades***. AUDUSD was last seen around 0.6550 after rising to a high of 0.6618 earlier this week. The antipode was up on a multitude of factors including optimism over US-China trade truce, stronger AU CPI. However, the bullish reversal of the greenback has also pressed the AUDUSD pairing lower into the weekend. AU CPI came in stronger than expected at 3.2%/y for 3Q from previous 2.1%, reinforcing our view that the next RBA cut should be in Dec and not in Nov. **We see two-way trades continuing around here within 0.6490-0.6630.** Data-wise, Mfg PMI is just out for Oct at 49.7. M-I inflation gauge was at a softer +0.3% m/m for Oct vs. prev. +0.4%. Year-on-year, inflation is expected to remain sticky at around 3.1% vs. previous 3.0%. Mon still has building approvals due as well as household spending for Sep. RBA is due to decide on its policy decision tomorrow. Sep trade is due Thu before foreign reserves on Fri.
- **NZDUSD - *Bearish for now, in trend channel***. NZDUSD was back within the falling trend channel and was last seen around 0.5720. We see support around 0.57-figure. We continue to hold a constructive outlook for NZD from here as we look for recovery to take hold. This view is also validated by RBNZ Economist Conway's expectations for a modest pickup in growth over 3Q-4Q and into next year. More recent comments by RBNZ Director of Financial Markets noted that mortgage holders have repriced onto lower rates suggest that the cumulative policy cuts have finally eased financial conditions. RBNZ's dovish cut in Oct was a main drag on the NZD but that seem to have largely played out. Back on the NZDUSD chart, spot was last seen around 0.5720, within the bearish trend channel. This pair is now within the middle of the channel and is likely to see two-way risks.

0.5790 would be a key resistance to clear, upper bound of the falling trend channel. 0.5700 a support. Bullish divergence is spotted with the MACD forest which could mean further bullish reversal. A violation of the trend channel to open the way for NZDUSD to head towards 0.5860. Week ahead has Sep building permits due today, labour market data for 3Q on Wed along with ANZ commodity price for Oct. in news from home, RBNZ's 2025 bank industry solvency stress test results showed that large banks at home are "well placed to withstand and manage the solvency and liquidity impact of a severe scenario caused by worsening geopolitical risks".

- **USDCAD - Target Reached.** USDCAD edged higher for the latter part of last week and was last seen around 1.4020. Pair was lifted by the broader USD gains, spurred by dovish BOJ and hawkish Fed. In addition, PM Carney admitted that it is challenging to get China to reduce tariffs on Canadian goods but he has accepted Xi's invitation to visit China "in the new year" and that established a relationship at the highest level for the first time in eight years. He also emphasized on the long term goal of getting opportunities for Canadian businesses in China. BoC cut key rate to 2.25% (against our expectation for a hold), noting the persistent damage from the US tariffs. However, Governor Tiff Macklem also signaled an extended pause as borrowing costs are roughly at the right place as long as its forecasts come to fruition. USDCAD fell on the decision towards the 1.39-figure, (hitting our target at 1.3910) before making a move higher on the hawkish Fed cut. This rate cut could be a final move before an extended pause because of the recent rise in inflation and some signs of recovery in its household consumption. **On the USDCAD chart, the pair hovered around 1.4020, edging higher on the back of broader USD gains. Resistance at 1.4030 before 1.4170. Support at 1.3925 before 1.3840.** It is possible for USDCAD to remain within the 1.3950-1.4080 range. We see two-way trades from here. Data/event-wise, we have Governor Macklem speaking on Tue, Trade report due on Tue as well but likely to be delayed by US government shutdown, Oct labour report on Fri.
- **Gold (XAU/USD) - Correction For Now.** Gold was caught in sideways trades around the 4000-figure, last printed 3974. A US-China trade deal for a trade truce to be extended softened support for the safe haven gold and further undermine the bullish momentum trade for the bullion. **In addition, China has moved to end a tax rebate for some retailers to offset a VAT when they sell gold bought from Shanghai Gold Exchange and Shanghai Futures Exchange.** This was announced over the weekend and likely played a part in nudging spot gold just below the 4K-handle. That said, these are tentative developments that took the wind out of the bullion's sails but the macro environment of (Fed easing, global growth slowing, inflation lingering) remains and that continues to remain supportive of gold. An area of support has formed around 3800-4000 (50-dma). We expect some sideways trading here before the bullion resumes its uptrend.

Asia ex Japan Currencies

SGDNEER trades around +1.04% from the implied mid-point of 1.3154 with the top estimated at 1.2891 and the floor at 1.3417.

- **USDSGD - Barely Changed.** USDSGD was last seen higher at 1.3020 levels as the USD continued to gain amid Fed repricing on the back of Fed Powell guidance that a Dec cut was “far from guaranteed”. SGDNEER was at 1.03% above the implied mid-point, remaining well supported. MAS maintained its slope, width and level of their exchange-rate based SGDNEER policy parameters this morning, broadly in line with most market expectations and in line with our view. Some were suggesting that MAS could flatten the slope of appreciation, but this was unlikely in our view given the strong growth and relatively stable (albeit below preferred 2% level) of inflation. MAS said that it remained in an appropriate position to respond effectively to any risk to medium-term price stability, suggesting that core CPI should average 0.5% in 2025 as a whole, but gradually rise into 2026 as temporary factors that dampen inflation fade. Growth was said to be stronger than expected with MAS expecting positive output gaps in 2025 which should narrow to 0% in 2026. Our economists and us do not see any further MAS easing at this juncture, with the next MAS meeting likely in Jan 2026. Pharma tariffs could weigh on SGD, although DPM Gan Kim Yong clarified that many pharmaceutical companies already have plans to build and invest in the US (and as such could be relatively unharmed by tariffs), but the government’s concern remains a longer term impact on the overall investment climate. MAS should be in a relatively comfortable position (in contrast to the Fed) to maintain current policy stance of slight (0.5% p.a.) appreciation which should provide support for the SGD. SORA has found some supported and bounced up from lows although we take the outperformance of SGD rates and firmness in the SGDNEER as evidence of Singapore’s safe-haven appeal. Back on the USDSGD chart, support is at 1.3000 followed by 1.2900. Resistance at 1.3100.
- **SGDMYR - Downside Bias.** SGDMYR was lower at 3.2235 levels. Pair retains a slight downside bias amid relative recent MYR outperformance. SGD and MYR have been the more resilient currencies (thanks to solid fundamentals and increased cooperation between the neighbours e.g. JS-SEZ) in the ASEAN space against the uncertain backdrop. We expect the mutual resilience to continue. Resistance at 3.25 and 3.27. Support at 3.23 followed by 3.20.
- **USDMYR - Testing 4.2000 Support.** Pair was last seen at 4.1975 as it still holds below the 4.2000 mark. We continue to watch if the pair can decisively hold below that level with the ongoing strong CNY fixings. External events remain the key influence on the currency and we continue to watch developments related to both China, Japan and the US. Back on the chart, the next support after the 4.2000 level would be at 4.1000. Resistance at about 4.2260 (around 100-dma) with the next after that at 4.2500. Key data releases this week include Sep IP (Fri), Sep mfg sales (Fri) and 31 Oct foreign reserves (Fri). BNM policy decision is due on Thurs where we expect no move especially given the economy continues to hold up well.
- **1M USDKRW NDF - Upside Bias.** 1M USDKRW NDF was last seen slightly higher at 1429.35 levels this morning as the USD continued to gain amid Fed repricing on the back of Fed Powell guidance that a Dec cut was “far from guaranteed”. There was some relief from Trump’s declaration that the US-South Korea trade deal was nearly finalized. South Korea later followed up to say that tariffs would be reduced to 15% (from 25%) and South Korea would invest US\$350b (US\$200b in cash investment and US\$150b in shipbuilding) in the US. KOSPI continues to make fresh highs amid headlines that South Korea could be one of the biggest winners from

the AI-narrative and this should be positive for the KRW. BoK kept its base rate unchanged at 2.50% amid lingering concerns on its financial stability tied to the housing market. In addition, Governor Rhee had recently tried to dispel rumors that the recent won depreciation is a sign of a financial crisis at home. He assured that won volatility is a reflection of global economic trends but acknowledged its impact on inflation and economic conditions. We suggest that KRW volatility is another reason for the stand pat. BoK had also mentioned that the economy had rebounded in 2Q but still faces headwinds from US trade talks with major economies. Financial stability risks were also highlighted in light of rising delinquency rates amongst small businesses and regional developers. Elsewhere, there was chatter that the US and South Korea still had a couple of sticking points to work out to formalize a trade deal. Lingering jitters on trade should be worse for the KRW. Pharma tariffs could be a negative for the KRW. Longer-term, the KRW could find support as stock and bond inflows continue and as the cost of FX hedging eases. Back on the chart, resistance is at 1440. Support is at 1420 followed by 1400.

- **1M USDINR NDF- Slightly Lower.** 1M USDINR NDF was last seen slightly higher at 88.89 levels as the USD continued to gain amid Fed repricing on the back of Fed Powell guidance that a Dec cut was “far from guaranteed”. There could be some positivity on the INR as rumours that the US and India were closer to a trade deal abound. India was said to be agreeable to gradually reduce reliance on Russian oil and in exchange would get reduced tariffs from the earlier mooted 50%. RBI was said to be concerned about USDINR spot heading to the 89 figure and the pair was sharply lower as a result. RBI held at 5.50% earlier, although two members (of six) preferred a more accommodative setting (independent of rate decision). We suggest that the hold was likely driven by the RBI’s longstanding preference for currency stability. Pharma tariffs could continue to weigh on the INR with India among the largest exporters of pharmaceuticals to the US in 2024. The H1B visa fee hike could be weighing on the INR over fears of potentially lower remittances and likely outflows from India’s IT sector. There were reports that RBI had stepped in last week to stabilize the INR. Global funds buying of Indian bonds hit a 1-month high last Fri (12 Sep) after four straight days of buying. Indian bonds steadied as the expected loss from GST-related reforms was lower than expected. Modi, Xi and Putin have met and that could be a sign of intent that BRICS will be here to stay. Navarro took aim at India “cozying up to Xi Jinping”. China’s ambassador Xu Feihong has said that China will firmly stand with India in opposing the 50% tariff on the country. They also firmly stand with India to uphold the multilateral trading system, with the WTO at its core. The uncertainty with the tariff situation is creating upside risks for the USDINR. Back on the chart, resistance at 89.00. Support stands at 88.00 and 87.00.

- **USDCNH - Double Bottom.** USDCNH was last seen around 7.1230 after successfully forming a bullish reversal double bottom pattern around 7.0916. The [White House factsheet](#) was released on Sat noting the Chinese’s commitment to halt the flow of fentanyl precursor into the US, eliminate China’s current and proposed export controls on critical minerals, end China’s retaliation against US semiconductor manufacturers and other major US firms, open China’s markets to US soybeans and other agricultural exports. It was the rally of the USDJPY that took the whole USD complex higher against most other currencies last week, including the CNY. There could also be some arguable disappointment on how a deal on TikTok and Nvidia Blackwell line will take more time to resolve. USDCNH has staged a rebound from key support around 7.0916 and was last seen around 7.1230. The pair has arrived at a key resistance level marked by the 21,50-dma. Break above this level (7.1270) opens the way towards 7.1530. Range-trade could still continue within 7.09-7.15 for a while before USDCNH resumes bearish extension towards our forecast at 7.07 at

the end of the year. In other news, CSRC advisers discussed topics including the improvement of capital market functions to coordinate investment and financing. Earlier last week, Vice Premier He Lifeng said that foreign financial companies and long-term capital are welcomed to invest and operate businesses in mainland China. Separately, a Shanghai Securities News reported that PBoC's bond trading will be more flexible this year in terms of pace, scale and maturity structure when compared to the last year. "Targeted injections" will be key as the central bank purchase inventory government bonds from large banks to provide liquidity support. Data-wise, RatingDog Mfg PMI came in a tad weaker than expected at 50.6 vs. previous 51.2. For the rest of the week, we have Services PMI for Oct due Wed before foreign reserves, trade and 3Q current account due on Fri. CPI and PPI are due Sun.

- **1M USDIDR NDF - *Likely to Remain Sideways*.** 1M USDIDR NDF was last seen at 16633 as it continues to trade sideways. Investors are likely still assessing the developments related to the domestic local situation. We expect that the IDR should be able to stabilize around the 16500 - 16700 levels given our expectations that the broad dollar should come off from current levels in the coming future. Resistance at 16715, 16864 and 17000. Support at 16500, 16325 and 16000. Key data releases this week include Sep trade data (Mon), Oct CPI (Mon), 3Q GDP (Thurs) and Oct foreign reserves (Fri).
- **1M USDPHP NDF - *Sideways*.** Pair was last seen at 58.75 as it traded sideways. The pair has recently experienced a technical pullback after having crossed the key resistance at 59.00 as investors likely took profit. Pair could trade sideways near term as markets assess the extent of the USD rebound especially as the latter moves closer to the 100.00 key resistance. However, we still expect the pair to eventually edge lower into the year end as we see that the broad dollar can pullback. Back on the chart, support at 58.50 and 58.00. Resistance at 59.00 and 60.00. Key data releases this week include Oct CPI (Wed), Sep bank lending (Wed), Sep unemployment rate (Thurs), 3Q agri output (Thurs), 3Q GDP (Fri) and Oct foreign reserves (Fri).
- **USDTHB - *Sideways*.** Pair was last seen at 32.41 as it traded sideways. Whilst the broad dollar has been strengthening, the CNY fixings have been strong too. The latter could be helping to offset the impact of the former. Pair is likely to keep sideways near term we believe as markets assess the extent of the USD rebound especially as the latter approaches the 100.00 key resistance. However, we still expect the pair to eventually edge lower into the year end as we see that the broad dollar can pullback. Support is the 50-dma at around 32.30 and 32.00. Resistance at 33.00 (around 200-dma and FI retracement of 38.2% from Sep low to Apr high) and 33.50. Meanwhile, the relationship between gold prices and the THB is less than clear recently. Even though gold prices have edged lower, the THB has generally been strengthening. Key data releases this week include Oct business sentiment index (Mon), Oct CPI (Wed), 31 Oct gross international reserves/forward contracts (Fri).
- **USDVND - *Stabilizing*.** USDVND was last seen around 26303, rising after a gap-down, to trade within the 26300-26440 range. Price action and momentum are showing conflicting signals. Bearish momentum seem to be fading. SGD VND was last seen around 20200, breaking out lower from the range of 20230-20380. Next support is seen around 20120. MYRVND was last seen around 6266, steadying ahead of the resistance around 6300. US Secretary of War Pete Hegseth said that the US is committed to deeper cooperation with Vietnam and to maintain peace in the region after he meets Vietnam's Minister of Defence Phan Van Giang in Hanoi. Separately, Vietnam just approved a \$5.4bn high-speed railway to be built from Hanoi

to Quang Ninh, designed for a speed of 350km/hour with four or five stations.

Malaysia Fixed Income

Rates Indicators

MGS	Previous Bus. Day	Yesterday's Close	Change (bps)
3YR MI 4/28	3.13	3.13	Unchanged
5YR MI 5/30	3.25	3.25	Unchanged
7YR M0 7/32	3.44	3.45	+1
10YR MS 7/35	3.51	3.50	-1
15YR MS 4/39	3.74	3.75	+1
20YR MX 5/44	3.92	3.92	Unchanged
30YR MZ 7/55	4.03	4.00	-3
IRS			
6-months	3.24	3.24	Unchanged
9-months	3.24	3.24	Unchanged
1-year	3.23	3.22	-1
3-year	3.22	3.22	Unchanged
5-year	3.28	3.27	-1
7-year	3.35	3.33	-2
10-year	3.48	3.46	-2

Source: Maybank

*Indicative levels

**Daily Trade Data: 1) Government bonds and 2) PDS/corporate bonds

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- Trading in Ringgit government bonds was average heading into month end, with both benchmark curves closing largely unchanged except for the 30y MGS which traded 3bp lower. Light two-way flows were seen in local real moneys on the belly and a few at the long end segment, though levels ended weaker compared to previous close.
- MYR IRS levels eased 1-2bp lower across the curve on muted flows, with just the 5y trading at 3.265%. Demand for local government bonds remained soft, though not sufficient to spur notable hedging or paying interest in the IRS. The 3m KLIBOR remained flat at 3.22%

Singapore Fixed Income

Rates Indicators

SGS	Previous Bus. Day	Yesterday's Close	Change (bps)
2YR	1.43	1.40	-3
5YR	1.65	1.63	-2
10YR	2.00	1.99	-1
15YR	2.01	2.00	-1
20YR	1.96	1.94	-2
30YR	2.04	2.02	-2

Source: MAS (Bid Yields)

- UST saw choppy trading overnight as the market digest Fed Chair Powell's hawkish post-FOMC remarks. SGS yields slipped 1-3bp lower across the curve, with the 2y falling the most. The overnight SORA rebounded to 1.15% on 30 October, after 2 consecutive sessions below 1.0%.

Indonesia Fixed Income

Rates Indicators

Gov't Bonds	Previous Bus. Day	Latest Day's Close	Change
1YR	4.83	4.82	(0.01)
2YR	4.90	4.90	0.00
5YR	5.46	5.47	0.01
10YR	6.05	6.08	0.03
15YR	6.37	6.39	0.02
20YR	6.49	6.49	(0.00)
30YR	6.74	6.74	(0.01)

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Most Indonesian government bonds weakened during last week. We suspected that a weakening on Indonesian government bonds is driven by 1.) selling pressures, especially by the global investors, after seeing further uncertainty decision by the Fed on its monetary decision after its latest policy rate cut by 25 bps yesterday, 2.) profit taking momentum for the investors at the end of month, 3.) strong investors' demand for asking higher yields for Indonesian government bonds, especially benchmark series for narrowing the gap of yields with the U.S. government bonds. Foreign investors reduced their ownership on the government bonds from Rp886.48 trillion on 24 Oct-25 to be Rp880.53 trillion on 30 Oct-25. We also didn't see an instant impact from a loosening tariff trade tension between the U.S. against several ASEAN countries, such as Malaysia, Thailand, Vietnam, and Cambodia.

Going forward, we keep seeing an adequate room for Indonesian government bond to appreciate, especially for the short tenor series, such as 1Y and 2Y, driven by recently positive development on the trade war tariff between the U.S. and China. The U.S. President Donald Trump and Chinese President Xi Jinping agreed to extend a tariff truce, roll back export controls and reduce other trade barriers in a landmark summit on 30 Oct-25. The U.S. will halve fentanyl-related tariffs on Chinese goods, while China resumes purchases of soybeans and other American agricultural products, and China will pause sweeping controls on rare-earth magnets. The agreement includes the U.S. extending a pause on some reciprocal tariffs on China for an additional year and China suspended counter measures against the U.S. for one year related to shipping. The yield of Indonesian 10Y government bonds is expected to still moving around 5.90% until 6.20%. For this week, we expect Indonesian government bonds to appreciate again, especially for the short tenor series, amidst various abundant schedules of economic data releases, such as PMI Manufacturing index from various countries (included Indonesia), Indonesian inflation, and the U.S. labour data. We also expect Indonesia to receive a good result from the trade tariffs negotiation with the U.S. government. The investors' risk perception for Indonesia seems improving, as shown by lower Indonesian 5Y CDS position from 75.21 on 28 Oct-25 to be 73.72 on 31 Oct-25.

Foreign Exchange: Daily Levels

	EUR/USD	USD/JPY	AUD/USD	GBP/USD	USD/CNH	NZD/USD	EUR/JPY	AUD/JPY
R2	1.1600	154.78	0.6573	1.3206	7.1366	0.5759	179.0033	101.2287
R1	1.1569	154.38	0.6559	1.3179	7.1295	0.5741	178.3367	101.0133
Current	1.1531	154.08	0.6549	1.3141	7.1186	0.5719	177.6800	100.9030
S1	1.1514	153.62	0.6532	1.3111	7.1118	0.5710	177.2267	100.6123
S2	1.1490	153.26	0.6519	1.3070	7.1012	0.5697	176.7833	100.4267

	USD/SGD	USD/MYR	USD/IDR	USD/PHP	USD/THB	EUR/SGD	CNY/MYR	SGD/MYR
R2	1.3043	4.2080	16667	58.9677	32.4867	1.5103	0.5909	3.2395
R1	1.3026	4.1983	16649	58.9263	32.4133	1.5060	0.5898	3.2303
Current	1.3008	4.1912	16653	58.7300	32.4230	1.5011	0.5903	3.2265
S1	1.2991	4.1815	16604	58.7953	32.2713	1.4976	0.5879	3.2144
S2	1.2973	4.1744	16577	58.7057	32.2027	1.4935	0.5871	3.2077

*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 SORA Compounded	1.3203	Jan-26	Neutral
BNM O/N Policy Rate	2.75	6/11/2025	Neutral
BI 7-Day Reverse Repo Rate	4.75	19/11/2025	Easing
BOT 1-Day Repo	1.50	17/12/2025	Easing
BSP O/N Reverse Repo	4.75	11/12/2025	Easing
CBC Discount Rate	2.00	18/12/2025	Neutral
HKMA Base Rate	4.25	-	Easing
PBOC 1Y Loan Prime Rate	3.00	-	Easing
RBI Repo Rate	5.50	5/12/2025	Easing
BOK Base Rate	2.50	27/11/2025	Easing
Fed Funds Target Rate	4.00	11/12/2025	Easing
ECB Deposit Facility Rate	2.00	18/12/2025	Neutral
BOE Official Bank Rate	4.00	6/11/2025	Easing
RBA Cash Rate Target	3.60	4/11/2025	Easing
RBNZ Official Cash Rate	2.50	26/11/2025	Easing
BOJ Rate (Lower bound)	0.00	19/12/2025	Tightening
BoC O/N Rate	2.25	10/12/2025	Easing

Equity Indices and Key Commodities

	Value	% Change
Dow	47,562.87	0.09
Nasdaq	23,724.96	0.61
Nikkei 225	51,325.61	0.04
FTSE	9,717.25	-0.44
Australia ASX 200	8,881.86	-0.04
Singapore Straits Times	4,428.62	-0.20
Kuala Lumpur Composite	1,609.15	-0.31
Jakarta Composite	8,163.88	-0.25
Philippines Composite	5,929.68	-0.57
Taiwan TAIEX	28,233.35	-0.19
Korea KOSPI	4,107.50	0.50
Shanghai Comp Index	3,954.79	-0.81
Hong Kong Hang Seng	25,906.65	-1.43
India Sensex	83,938.71	-0.55
Nymex Crude Oil WTI	60.98	0.68
Comex Gold	3,996.50	-0.48
Reuters CRB Index	302.54	0.59
MBB KL	9.87	-0.20

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