

# Daily Financial Market Update

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## MARKET COMMENTARY

### Money Market

The opening system liquidity declined slightly to ₦909.89 billion from ₦885.92 billion seen yesterday. Nonetheless, the Open Repo Rate (OPR) fell by 61bps to 29.35%, while the Overnight Rate (O/N) increased by 58bps to 31.33%.

**Outlook:** We expect interbank rates to remain elevated tomorrow.

### Treasury Bills

Today, the treasury bills market experienced minimal activity, with investors primarily directing their attention towards the NTB primary market auction. As a result, the average mid-rate remained stable at 20.77%.

**Outlook:** We expect overall activity to remain calm, with mixed sentiment across the curve.

### FGN Bonds

The FGN local bonds market witnessed a mixed to bullish session. Buying interest was particularly notable in the Feb 2034 paper, although there was some slight selling activity in the short-dated papers. As a whole, the market saw a decrease in the average mid-yield by 4 basis points, closing at 18.64%.

**Outlook:** We anticipate similar trading activity tomorrow.

### Eurobonds

The African Eurobond market opened with weakness, experiencing fluctuations throughout today's session. However, by the session's close, the market trended downward, exhibiting a bearish sentiment across the curve. Consequently, the average mid-yield on Nigerian Eurobonds rose by 13 bps to reach 9.83%.

**Outlook:** We expect tomorrow's activity to be impacted by the US GDP and Initial Jobless claim data.

### AiICO Money Market Fund (AMMF)

(As of 23rd April 2024) 15.4129%

Date	Sys. Liq. (₦'bn)	Diff.
24-Apr-24	-909.90	
23-Apr-24	-885.92	↓ (23.98)

Source: CBN

### Macro Indicators

GDP (Q4 2023)	+3.46% (Q3: 2023 +2.54% y/y)
Inflation (March'2024)	33.20% (Feb'24: 31.70%)
External Reserve (US\$ billion)	32.11 (+2.44% YTD)
Monetary Policy Rate	24.75%
Cash Reserve Requirement (CRR)	45.00%
Brent Crude Price US\$/bbl	*88.03 (-0.44 d/d)

Source: NBS, CBN, AiICO Capital

### Benchmark T-Bills Discount Rates

	24-Apr-24	23-Apr-24	Change in Rates
92 days	23.35%	23.35%	→ 0.00%
183 days	22.40%	22.40%	→ 0.00%
337 days	21.35%	21.35%	→ 0.00%

Source: FMDQ DQL for 24 April 2024

### Benchmark FGN Bond Yields

	24-Apr-24	23-Apr-24	Change in Yield
5 yrs: 16.2884% 17-Mar-2027	19.77%	18.57%	↑ 1.20%
10 yrs: 12.50% 27-Apr-2032	10.06%	9.90%	↑ 0.16%
20 yrs: 13.00% 21-Jan-2042	18.69%	18.69%	→ 0.00%
30 yrs: 12.98% 27-Mar-2050	18.33%	18.33%	→ 0.00%

Source: FMDQ DQL for 24 April 2024

### Benchmark FGN Eurobond Yields

	24-Apr-24	23-Apr-24	Change in Yield
5 yrs: NGERIA 6 1/2 11/28/27	8.73%	8.55%	↑ 0.18%
10 yrs: NGERIA 7.875 02/16/32	10.06%	9.90%	↑ 0.16%
15 yrs: NGERIA 7.696 23/02/38	10.52%	10.40%	↑ 0.12%
30 yrs: NGERIA 9.248 01/21/49	10.42%	10.33%	↑ 0.09%
7.125% ECOTRAN 16/02/26*	9.18%	9.18%	→ 0.00%

Source: ZENITH UK Runs for 24 April 2024

## Nigerian Equities

The Nigerian Equity market closed bearish today, driven by the selling interests on MTNN (-10.00%), FBNH (-9.82%) and UBA (-1.30%). Moreso, the All-Share Index lost 1.20% to settle at 98,121.30 points. Also, the year-to-date return and market capitalization settled at 31.22% and ₦55.49 trillion, respectively.

The Banking and Oil & Gas Indices shed 0.83% and 1.41%, respectively, while Industrial and Consumer Goods Indices increased by 0.02% and 0.05%. GTCO led both the total volume charts with 81.41 million units and total value chart with ₦2.93 billion in value.

**Outlook:** *We expect the mixed sentiment to linger in the interim.*

## Foreign Exchange

FMDQ's Nigeria's Autonomous Foreign Exchange (NAFEM) depreciated by ₦8.37 (or 0.64%) to \$/₦1,308.52 compared to \$/₦1,300.15 recorded yesterday.

**Outlook:** *We expect volatility to linger.*

## Commodities

Crude oil prices edged lower today after Iran said it will not escalate the conflict with Israel. Brent crude lost by 0.61% to \$86.76 per barrel, while WTI declined by 0.17% fell by \$83.00 per barrel. In similar fashion, the price of gold fell by 2.56% to \$2,352.60 per ounce.

**Outlook:** *We expect the volatility to persist.*

Top 5 Equity Advancers			
Name (Symbol)	Closing Price	Gain(N)	% Change
NEIMETH	1.98	0.18	↑ 10.00%
SUNUASSUR	1.21	0.11	↑ 10.00%
TIP	1.98	0.18	↑ 10.00%
CAP	28.85	2.60	↑ 9.90%
UPDC	1.35	0.12	↑ 9.76%

*Source: NGX, AIICO Capital*

Top 5 Equity Decliners			
Name (Symbol)	Closing Price	Loss(N)	% Change
TRANSCOHOT	87.93	-9.77	↓ -10.00%
MTNN	201.60	-22.40	↓ -10.00%
OANDO	9.10	-1.00	↓ -9.90%
FBNH	19.75	-2.15	↓ -9.82%
FIDSON	14.35	-1.55	↓ -9.75%

*Source: NGX, AIICO Capital*

	D-o-D	W-o-W	MTD	YTD
NGX ASI	↓ -1.20%	↓ -1.79%	↓ -6.16%	↑ 31.22%
NSE Banking Index	↓ -0.83%	↓ -5.82%	↓ -25.31%	↓ -14.29%
NSE Insurance Index	↓ -0.27%	↑ 0.09%	↓ -6.29%	↑ 18.26%
NSE Industrial Goods Index	↑ 0.02%	↑ 0.38%	↓ -2.82%	↑ 73.45%
NSE Consumer Goods Index	↑ 0.05%	↓ -0.65%	↓ -2.10%	↑ 40.63%
NSE Oil & Gas Index	↓ -1.41%	↓ -1.41%	↓ -1.69%	↑ 22.00%

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