

Tuesday, 7 October 2025

#### **MARKET COMMENTARY**

## **System Liquidity**

The interbank market maintained ample liquidity, though it declined by \732.2 billion to \5.39 trillion. This was driven by the settlement of \(\frac{\pmap}{9}\)98.1 billion in OMO sales and a dip in DMBs' deposits with the CBN to \\ 5.17 trillion, which outweighed the \mathbb{\mathbb{H}}905.23 billion inflow from NTB and OMO maturities. Despite, the Overnight Policy Rate (OPR) held steady at 24.50%, while the Overnight Rate (ON) dipped marginally by 1bp to 24.87%.

Outlook: Funding rate should remain at the similar rate barring any significant funding activities.

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7-Oct-25	5,386.34	
6-Oct-25	6,118.54	<b>(</b> 732.20)
Source: CBN		(133.33)

#### **Treasury Bills**

The Treasury bills market saw a quiet trading activity with mild bullish tone as participants awaited tomorrow's NTB auction. The 3-Sep NTB attracted interest, with deals executed at 15.53%. Meanwhile, supply was notices on 17-Sep a a5.48%. The benchmark NTB mid-rate closed at 16.41%.

Outlook: All attention is on tomorrow's NTB auction, where ₩570 billion will be offered across the standard tenors.

Please see below, our expectation for tomorrow's NTB auction.

AUCTION DATE	TENOR	OFFER AMOUNT (N'MN)	LAST STOP RATE	EXPECTED STOP RATE RANGE
08-Oct-25	91-Day	100,000.00	15.00%	14.6000 - 15.0000
08-Oct-25	182-Day	120,000.00	15.30%	14.9000 - 15.2000
08-Oct-25	364-Day	350,000.00	16.78%	15.5000 - 15.9000

BENCHMARK T-BILLS DISCOUNT RATES				
	07-Oct-25	06-Oct-25	Change in Rates	
79 DAYS	16.92%	16.92%	• 0.00%	
170 DAYS	16.45%	16.45%	• 0.00%	
345 DAYS	15.48%	15.35%	0.13%	
Source: FMDO DOL for 07-Oct-2025				

### **FGN Bonds**

The FGN bonds market traded quietly with a sustained bullish tone. Mild activity occurred across the curve, with modest demand for the 2028s, 2029s, and 2035s. The May 2042 was quoted at 15.69%, though wide bid-ask spreads kept volumes moderate. The average mid-yield declined 21basis points to 16.06%.

**Outlook:** Trading is likely to mirror today's activity as markets await tomorrow's NTB auction.

BENCHMARK FGN BOND YIELDS				
	07-Oct-25	06-Oct-25	Chai	nge in Yield
5 YRS: 19.30% 17-APR-2029	16.13%	16.37%	Ψ	-0.24%
10 YRS: 22.60% 29-JAN-2035	16.23%	16.23%	<b>→</b>	0.00%
13 YRS: 15.45% 21-JUN-2038	15.86%	15.86%	1	0.00%
28 YRS: 15.70% 21-JUN-2053	15.52%	15.75%	4	-0.23%
Source: FMDO DOL for 07-Oct-2025				

## **Eurobonds**

African Eurobonds closed bearish as the ongoing U.S. government shutdown and accompanying data blackout spurred risk-off sentiment, leading to slight yield increases across the curve. Nigerian Eurobond mid-yields rose 2bps to 7.80%.

Outlook: Market is expected to remain bearish as the U.S. Govt shutdown continues.

BENCHMARK FGN EUROBOND YIELDS				
	07-Oct-25	07-Oct-25	Cha	nge in Yield
5 YRS: NGERIA 8.375% 03/24/29	7.46%	7.38%	•	0.08%
10 YRS: NGERIA 7.375% 09/29/33	8.20%	8.15%	1	0.05%
15 YRS: NGERIA 7.696% 23/02/38	8.56%	8.57%	1	-0.01%
30 YRS: NGERIA 8.25% 09/29/51	9.20%	9.19%	1	0.01%
8.75% ETI 06/17/31*	6.84%	6.47%	1	0.37%
Source: FBN UK Runs for 07-Oct-2025				

# **Nigerian Equities**

The Nigerian equities market closed higher as the ASI gained 12bps to 144,995.26 points, pushing YTD returns to 40.87%. Market breadth was positive with 39 gainers against 33 losers. CORNERST (+9.92%) led the advancers, while LIVINGTRUST (-10.00%) topped the laggards. ACCESSCORP recorded the highest volume (45.9m units), while ARADEL led value with \13.2bn. Sectoral performance was broadly positive. The Insurance Index rose 198bps on strong gains in MANSARD, SOVRENINS, LASACO, and MBENEFIT, offsetting losses in WAPIC and AIICO. The Industrial Goods (+69bps) and Consumer Goods (+26bps) indices also advanced, supported by price upticks in CUTIX, WAPCO, DANGCEM, HONYFLOUR, NASCON, NB, and DANGSUGAR. Conversely, the Banking Index (-133bps) and Oil & Gas Index (-87bps) declined, pressured by FIDELITYBK, GTCO, ZENITHBANK, OANDO, and ARADEL. Market activity was mixed as volume dipped 2.41% to 507.41m units, while value surged 66.96% to \24.29bn. Notable cross deals were recorded in ARADEL, ACCESSCORP, SOVRENINS, WAPCO, AIICO, UNIVINSURE, FIRSTHOLDCO, NB, and WEMABANK.

Outlook: Market is expected to sustain the positive sentiments around the consumer goods and banking stocks

TOP 5 EQUITY ADVANCERS CLOSING NAME (SYMBOL) PRICE GAIN(N) % CHANGE					
NAME (STMBOL)		G/1111(11)			
CORNERST	6.65	0.60	•	9.92%	
CONHALLPLC	4.37	0.38	1	9.52%	
CHAMS	4.62	0.39	•	9.22%	
VFDGROUP	11.90	1.00	1	9.17%	
INTENEGINS	2.96	0.24	1	8.82%	
Source: NGX, AIICO Capital					

TOP 5 EQUITY DECLINERS CLOSING NAME (SYMBOL) PRICE LOSS(N) % CHANGE					
LIVINGTRUST	5.94	-0.66	<b>-</b> 10.00%		
AUSTINLAZ	3.15	-0.34	<b>-</b> 9.74%		
JULI	8.95	-0.95	<b>-</b> 9.60%		
LIVESTOCK	7.40	-0.60	<b>-</b> 7.50%		
TANTALIZER	2.32	-0.16	<b>-</b> 6.45%		
Source: NGX, AIICO Capital					

	D-o-D	W-o-W	MTD	YTD
NGX ASI	0.12%	<b>1.60%</b>	<b>1.60%</b>	<b>4</b> 0.87%
NSE BANKING INDEX	·1.33%	0.12%	0.12%	<b>39.78</b> %
NSE INSURANCE INDEX	<b>1.98</b> %	·100.00%	7.09%	77.64%
NSE INDUSTRIAL GOODS INDEX	0.69%	0.88%	0.88%	<b>43.14</b> %
NSE CONSUMER GOODS INDEX	<b>n</b> 0.26%	<b>1.29</b> %	<u>1.29</u> %	<b>-100.00</b> %
NSE OIL & GAS INDEX	<b>-</b> 0.87%	4.97%	4.97%	<b>↓</b> -2.35%

## Foreign Exchange

The naira extended its dipped amidst modest FX demand in the interbank NFEM. It traded between \1,477.00 and \1,467.05 depreciating 6bps to close at \1,471.0892. The CBN's gross reserves increased to \$42.54 billion as of 6 October 2025, rising \$102.45 million d/d.

Outlook: The Naira is expected to maintain its current trading range in the near term.

NFEM RA	ATE (\$/ <del>N</del> )	Diff.
7-Oct-25	1,471.0892	
6-Oct-25	1,470.2614	<b>0.8278</b>
Source: CBN		

## **Commodities**

Oil prices rose as investors considered a smaller than expected increase to OPEC+ output in November against signs of a potential supply glut. Brent crude rose 30 cents, or 0.46%, to \$65.77 a barrel, and U.S. WTI gained 38 cents, or 0.62%, to \$62.07. Meanwhile, gold prices surged past the \$4,000/ounce mark for the first time, due to persistent safe-haven demand. Spot gold touched a record \$4,000 before easing to \$3,984.99, while Gold futures added 0.38% to \$4,007.65.

Outlook: Tomorrow, we expect continued strength in gold on safe-haven demand, while oil may trade sideways to slightly lower amid OPEC supply concerns.

MACRO INDICATORS	
GDP (Q2 2025)	+4.23% (Q1: 2025 +3.13% y/y)
INFLATION (AUGUST 2025)	20.12% (Jul'25: 21.88%)
EXTERNAL RESERVE (US\$'BILLION)	42.54 (+4.08% YTD as of 06-Oct-25)
MONETARY POLICY RATE (JULY'2025)	27.00%
CASH RESERVE REQUIREMENT (CRR)	45.00%
BRENT CRUDE PRICE US\$/BBL	*65.77 (+0.30 d/d)
Source: NBS,CBN, AllCO Capital	