

World Markets

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	Index	Value at close	Day on Day	YTD	YTD(Rs)
	MSCI All Country World	1,007.76	-0.11%	19.78%	16.83%
	S&P 500	6,816.51	-0.16%	15.89%	13.04%
US	DOW JONES	48,416.56	-0.09%	13.80%	11.00%
	NASDAQ	23,057.41	-0.59%	19.40%	16.46%
	STOXX 600	582.54	0.74%	14.76%	25.63%
Europe	CAC 40	8,124.88	0.70%	10.08%	20.51%
	DAX	24,229.91	0.18%	21.70%	33.23%
	FTSE 100	9,751.31	1.06%	19.31%	23.16%
	NIKKEI 225	50,168.11	-1.31%	25.75%	25.34%
Asia	HANG SENG	25,628.88	-1.34%	27.76%	25.15%
	CSI 300	4,552.06	-0.63%	15.68%	23.10%
	SENSEX	85,213.36	-0.06%	9.05%	0.24%
	SEMDEX	2,374.36	-0.01%	-1.20%	-1.20%
Mauritius	SEM-10	443.61	-0.06%	-1.12%	-1.12%
	SEMTRI	11,275.45	-0.01%	4.02%	4.02%
	DEMEX	221.49	-0.09%	-6.17%	-6.17%
Commodities	Bloomberg Commodity	108.67	-0.28%	10.04%	7.33%
	WTI Crude Oil	56.82	-1.08%	-20.78%	-22.73%
	Gold	4,305.01	0.13%	64.03%	59.99%
	Silver	64.09	3.43%	121.74%	116.28%

Country	Central Bank	Policy Rate	Govt Yields	
			2 Yr	10 Yr
US	FED	3.50%- 3.75%	3.50%	4.17%
UK	BOE	4.00%	3.75%	4.50%
Europe	ECB	2.00%	2.15%	2.85%
Japan	BOJ	0.50%	1.07%	1.96%
Mauritius	BOM	4.50%	5.02%	5.60%

Currency*	Value Today	Day on Day	YTD
USD/MUR	45.92	-0.07%	-2.46%
GBP/MUR	61.39	0.02%	3.23%
EUR/MUR	53.97	0.09%	9.47%
AUD/MUR	31.73	-0.13%	5.93%
ZAR/MUR	2.82	0.00%	9.73%
GBP/USD	1.34	0.04%	6.87%
EUR/USD	1.18	0.11%	13.51%
AUD/USD	0.66	-0.17%	7.32%
USD/JPY	155.23	-0.37%	-1.25%
USD/CNY	7.05	-0.10%	-3.44%

*Foreign Currency Rates against the Mauritian Rupee are MCB's mid-rates. For transactions purposes, kindly contact your Private Banker.

Weekly Events Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
China Retail Sales	US Unemployment Rate UK Unemployment Rate	Japan Balance of Trade UK Inflation Rate Mauritius 3-yr Bonds Auction	US Inflation Rate EU ECB Interest Rate Decision UK BoE Interest Rate Decision	Japan BoJ Interest Rate Decision Japan Inflation Rate

World News

US

- Nasdaq, one of the world's largest exchanges, is planning to submit paperwork with the US Securities and Exchange Commission on Monday to roll out round-the-clock trading of stocks, as it looks to capitalize on a global demand for US equities. Nasdaq plans to expand trading hours of stocks and exchange-traded products from 16 hours to 23 hours, five days a week. ([Source](#))
- Ford Motor said on Monday it will take a USD 19.5bn writedown and is killing several electric-vehicle models, in the most dramatic example yet of the auto industry's retreat from battery-powered models in response to the Trump administration's policies and weakening EV demand. Ford said it will pivot hard into gas and hybrid models. About USD 8.5bn is related to cancelling planned EV models. Around USD 6bn is tied to the dissolution of a battery joint venture with South Korea's SK On, and USD 5bn on what Ford called "program-related expenses". ([Source](#))

Europe

- The UK financial regulator has published proposals to regulate for the first time many areas of the crypto market, including rules for listing digital assets, restrictions on insider trading and capital requirements for the fast-growing sector. The Financial Conduct Authority's plans were released a day after the government presented draft legislation for cryptoasset companies. The consultation is open until February 12, with the UK's cryptoasset regulations expected to be finalised later next year before going live in 2027. ([Source](#))
- Nissan has started production of its new Leaf electric vehicle at its Sunderland plant, backed by the Japanese group's £450mn investment, breathing new life into the UK's largest car factory. The future of the Sunderland factory came into sharp focus earlier this year as the struggling Japanese carmaker unveiled plans to shut down multiple plants globally as part of its turnaround plan. The third-generation Leaf, which offers a range up to 386 miles, qualified for the full £3,750 discount under the UK government's new subsidy scheme intended to boost sales of EVs, and has a starting price of £32,249. ([Source](#))

Asia & Emerging

- Chinese AI chip startup Biren Technology aims to launch a Hong Kong initial public offering in the coming weeks, four sources with knowledge of the matter said. The IPO could raise \$300 million, local Chinese media reported. One of the sources confirmed the number to Reuters. The Shanghai-based company, along with other domestic rivals, is banking on rapid growth as China seeks to develop domestic alternatives to U.S. semiconductors amid stringent export restrictions by Washington on advanced chips. ([Source](#))
- Japan's JX Advanced Metals said its Pan Pacific Copper (PPC) unit sold its entire stake in the undeveloped Quechua copper project in Peru to Swiss trader and miner Glencore for an undisclosed sum. The sale is part of JX's effort to reorient its portfolio toward its advanced materials business and away from its more volatile mining operations. ([Source](#))

Other

- Nigeria's headline inflation rate eased for the eighth consecutive month in November, helped by slowing food inflation. Consumer inflation stood at 14.45% year on year last month, down from 16.05% in October. ([Source](#))

Local News

- The SEMDEX fell by 0.01% to close at 2,374.36. MCBG declined to MUR 435.50 (-0.1%) with MUR 10.3m traded. SBM retreated to MUR 6.56 (-1.2%), while CIM rose to MUR 17.45 (+3.9%). ER Group and Ascencia eased to MUR 20.70 (-1.2%) and MUR 18.75 (-1.1%) respectively, while Medine advanced to MUR 67.00 (+3.1%). On the hotels side, NMH and SUN declined to MUR 13.70 (-0.4%) and MUR 43.00 (-0.5%).

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