Custodian Asset Management Ltd

Weekly Market Update

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MACROS

INDICATOR	CURRENT	PREVIOUS
GDP	3.89%	4.07%
Inflation	15.69%	15.38%
MPR	26.50%	26.50%
Exchange rate (NAFEM)	₦1,373.46/$	₦1,375.25/$
Exchange rate (Parallel)	₦1,371.70/$	₦1,371.75/$
External reserves	$49.34 bn	$48.89 bn
Brent	$91.12/barrel	$103.54/barrel
Gold	$4,539.76/oz	$4,509.64/oz

The Nigerian naira remained relatively stable this past week due to sustained liquidity support and strategic market interventions by the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), which effectively matched demand and curbed speculative currency hoarding.

Nigeria's gross external reserves experienced a robust recovery, rising by over $900 million to hit $49.34 billion as of late May 2026, primarily driven by elevated global crude oil prices resulting from ongoing Middle East tensions. According to recent data from the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), this substantial reserve accretion was further reinforced by a strong rebound in autonomous dollar inflows, a steady rise in diaspora remittances, and heightened foreign portfolio investments attracted by the apex bank's sustained foreign exchange market reforms and high-yield local assets.

Global oil prices plummeted during the final week of May 2026, with Brent crude dropping toward $91 a barrel, primarily driven by breakthrough diplomatic reports that the United States and Iran are close to finalizing a 60-day ceasefire extension. This major geopolitical shift significantly diminished the market's war risk premium by raising concrete expectations for a formal reopening of the critical Strait of Hormuz shipping lanes.

Gold prices managed a slight recovery during the final trading sessions of the week ending May 29, 2026, climbing to around $4,539 per ounce primarily due to renewed optimism surrounding a potential 60-day U.S.-Iran ceasefire extension. This diplomatic progress significantly cooled the global energy market, which in turn eased investor anxieties regarding an oil-fueled inflationary shock.

MONEY MARKET

Money Market	Current Week	Previous Week
OPR	22.00%	22.00%
OVN	22.19%	22.24%

Nigeria's financial system liquidity surged to over ₦6.01 trillion during the final week of May 2026 primarily due to a massive wave of maturing Open Market Operations (OMO) bills and Treasury bills repayments. The financial market was flooded with an estimated ₦10.53 trillion in total projected monthly inflows, largely driven by ₦7.17 trillion in OMO maturities alone. This immense volume of incoming cash vastly outpaced the CBN's aggressive mop-up operations, leaving commercial and merchant banks awash with excess cash balances that they actively parked back into the apex bank's overnight deposit windows

Expectation

Financial system liquidity in Nigeria is expected to contractionally tighten this week as the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) aggressively accelerates its Open Market Operations (OMO) and treasury bill auctions to mop up the remaining ₦6.01 trillion cash surplus.

TREASURY BILLS MARKET

The average yield on Nigerian Treasury bills remained remarkably stable last week, dropping by just 1 basis point (bps), because the tremendous downward pressure from the market's liquidity surge was completely neutralized by widespread investor caution and aggressive CBN liquidity mop-up operations.

SECURITY	BID DISC RATE	OFFER DISC RATE
21-May-26	17.30	16.30
4-Jun-26	17.00	16.00
23-Jul-26	16.20	15.50
6-Aug-26	16.35	15.65
17-Sep-26	16.65	15.95
22-Oct-26	16.20	15.70
5-Nov-26	16.45	15.75
3-Dec-26	16.80	16.10
10-Dec-26	16.75	16.05
17-Dec-26	16.75	16.05
7-Jan-27	16.70	16.20
21-Jan-27	16.60	16.10

18-Feb-27	16.55	16.20
11-Mar-27	16.45	16.10
18-Mar-27	16.40	16.05
25-Mar-27	16.40	16.15
8-Apr-27	16.35	16.10
22-Apr-27	16.10	15.95
6-May-27	15.90	15.70

Expectation

Average yields on Nigerian Treasury bills are expected to remain flat or rise slightly this week as aggressive liquidity mop-ups by the Central Bank of Nigeria counterbalance heavy investor demand.

BONDS MARKET

Average yields on FGN bonds rose slightly by approximately 10 basis points last week as investors adopted a cautious stance amid expectations of upcoming bond supply and evolving macroeconomic conditions. Mild profit-taking activities in the secondary market also exerted downward pressure on bond prices, leading to a modest increase in yields.

SECURITY	BID YIELD	OFFER YIELD
NIGB 16.28 27	17.49	16.55
NIGB 19.94 27	17.62	16.65
NIGB 13.98 28	17.00	16.40
NIGB 19.30 29	17.00	16.55
NIGB 14.55 29	16.95	16.30
NIGB 18.50 31	16.95	16.80
NIGB 17.95 32	16.95	16.75
NIGB 19.89 33	16.95	16.80
NIGB 19.00 34	16.80	16.60
NIGB 22.60 35	16.80	16.60
NIGB 16.25 37	16.35	15.65
NIGB 15.45 38	15.74	15.10
NIGB 13.00 42	15.61	14.86
NIGB 14.80 49	15.50	14.42
NIGB 12.98 50	15.50	14.41
NIGB 15.70 53	15.50	14.54

Expectation

Average yields on FGN bonds are expected to rise further this week as aggressive liquidity mop-ups by the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) and an increase in short-term debt supply pressure institutional investors to demand higher returns.

EUROBONDS

FGN EUROBONDS	Bid Px	Ask px	BID YIELD	OFFER YIELD
REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA NOV 2027	100.919	101.256	5.85	5.62
REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA SEP 2028	100.381	100.856	5.94	5.72
REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA MAR 2029	106.006	106.35	6.03	5.90
REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA FEB 2030	102.403	102.623	6.41	6.34
REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA JAN 2031	107.722	108.113	6.78	6.68
REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA JUN 2031	111.973	112.257	6.78	6.71
REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA FEB 2032	104.623	105.116	6.88	6.78
REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA SEP 2033	101.634	102.147	7.08	6.99
REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA DEC 2034	119.368	119.765	7.29	7.23
REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA JAN 2036	108.996	109.376	7.31	7.26
REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA FEB 2038	101.919	102.423	7.45	7.38
REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA JAN 2046	110.182	110.699	8.08	8.03
REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA NOV 2047	97.728	98.11	7.85	7.81
REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA JAN 2049	112.076	112.505	8.08	8.04
REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA SEP 2051	100.991	101.493	8.16	8.11

Average yields on Nigerian sovereign Eurobonds dropped last week because the breakthrough diplomatic news of a 60-day U.S.-Iran ceasefire accord significantly boosted global risk appetite, prompting international portfolio managers to ramp up buy orders for high-yield emerging and frontier market debt. This easing of Middle East geopolitical tensions cooled the U.S. dollar, lowered global inflation anxieties, and reassured investors of Nigeria's improving external fiscal position—especially following the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) reporting a massive $930 million surge in gross external reserves.

Expectation

Average yields on Nigerian sovereign Eurobonds are expected to remain under downward pressure this week as sustained international investor confidence and an improving domestic external reserves profile continue to fuel buying interest in frontier market dollar debt.

EQUITY MARKET

The Year-to-Date (YTD) return of the Nigerian equity market improved slightly to 60.9% due to heightened bargain hunting as institutional investors strategically reinvested a portion of the financial system liquidity into undervalued blue-chip stocks. While the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) launched aggressive debt auctions to mop up the banking sector's excess cash, the sheer volume of maturing funds forced investors to diversify portfolios into the equity market, particularly targeting high-dividend banking and consumer goods tickers.

Top Gainers

STOCK	PREVIOUS	CURRENT	CHANGE
INTENEGINS	3.41	4.52	32.55%
SOVRENINS	2.28	2.75	20.61%
TANTALIZER	4.13	4.89	18.40%
AIRTELAFRI	3323.4	3655.7	10.00%
NEM	30	32.9	9.67%

Top losers

STOCK	PREVIOUS	CURRENT	CHANGE
DANGSUGAR	87	71.15	-18.22%
TIP	33.8	28.4	-15.98%
CAP	199	179.1	-10.00%
TRANSPOWER	272.7	245.5	-9.97%
ABBEYBDS	7.05	6.35	-9.93%

Expectation

The Nigerian equity market is expected to face mild profit-taking and downward pressure this week

TOP STORIES

GLOBAL NEWS

- France, Spain Inflation Below Forecasts
- US, Iran agree to 60-day truce renewal pending Trump signoff
- Brent crude plunged toward $91 per barrel
- Core U.S. PCE figures cooled markets rare anxieties.

DOMESTIC NEWS

- FG cancels $717.7 million World Bank power loan as electricity sector crisis worsens.
- Nigeria's GDP grows by 3.89% in Q1 2026 as agriculture, services drive expansion

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