

World Markets

7-May-2026

	Index	Value at close	Day on Day	YTD	YTD(Rs)
	MSCI All Country World	1,103.96	1.82%	8.81%	9.32%
US	S&P 500	7,365.12	1.46%	7.59%	8.10%
	DOW JONES	49,910.59	1.24%	3.84%	4.33%
	NASDAQ	25,838.94	2.02%	11.17%	11.70%
	STOXX 600	623.25	2.22%	5.24%	6.44%
Europe	CAC 40	8,299.42	2.94%	1.84%	2.99%
	DAX	24,918.69	2.12%	1.75%	2.90%
	FTSE 100	10,438.66	2.15%	5.11%	7.04%
Asia	NIKKEI 225	59,513.12	0.00%	18.22%	15.27%
	HANG SENG	26,213.78	1.22%	2.28%	2.61%
	CSI 300	4,877.09	1.45%	5.34%	9.80%
	SENSEX	77,958.52	1.22%	-8.52%	-12.04%
Mauritius	SEMDEX	2,279.81	0.23%	-4.28%	-4.28%
	SEM-10	434.25	0.22%	-2.49%	-2.49%
	SEMTRI	10,886.44	0.23%	-3.87%	-3.87%
	DEMEX	217.76	-0.09%	-3.09%	-3.09%
Commodities	Bloomberg Commodity	137.80	-2.34%	25.63%	26.22%
	WTI Crude Oil	95.08	-7.03%	65.59%	66.37%
	Gold	4,691.36	2.95%	8.61%	9.13%
	Silver	77.37	6.20%	7.96%	8.47%

Country	Central Bank	Policy Rate	Govt Yields	
			2 Yr	10 Yr
US	FED	3.50%- 3.75%	3.87%	4.35%
UK	BOE	3.75%	4.38%	4.94%
Europe	ECB	2.00%	2.57%	3.00%
Japan	BOJ	0.75%	1.39%	2.52%
Mauritius	BOM	4.50%	4.59%	5.54%

Currency*	Value Today	Day on Day	YTD
USD/MUR	46.72	-0.17%	0.47%
GBP/MUR	63.56	-0.06%	1.84%
EUR/MUR	54.91	0.02%	1.13%
AUD/MUR	35.30	-0.11%	9.34%
ZAR/MUR	2.98	0.68%	2.23%
GBP/USD	1.36	0.38%	0.88%
EUR/USD	1.17	0.47%	0.02%
AUD/USD	0.72	0.75%	8.45%
USD/JPY	156.39	-0.94%	-0.20%
USD/CNY	6.81	-0.23%	-2.51%

*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
	US PMI US JOLTS Job Openings			US Unemployment Rate Mauritius CPI

World News

US

- The US and Iran were circling around a fresh proposal to end the war on Wednesday. Washington has presented a one-page memorandum of understanding that would gradually reopen the Strait of Hormuz and lift the American blockade on Iranian ports. Detailed negotiations over Iran's nuclear program would come later in the process. [\(Source\)](#)
- Apollo Global Management pledged on Wednesday to provide daily pricing for its credit funds by the end of September, saying new buyers wanted more transparency. Private funds usually give portfolio valuations every quarter. They have come under scrutiny as many funds struggled to sell equity stakes and retail investors grew nervous about the risks of loans made outside the traditional banking system. [\(Source\)](#)

Europe

- Euro zone services activity contracted in April for the first time in almost a year, hit by weakening demand and deteriorating export business as the Middle East war weighed on consumer-facing sectors, a survey showed on Wednesday. S&P Global's Eurozone Services Purchasing Managers' Index slumped to a 62-month low of 47.6 in April from March's 50.2, just above a preliminary estimate of 47.4. [\(Source\)](#)
- The chance of a European Central Bank rate hike has risen as inflation pressures are high, board member Piero Cipollone said on Wednesday, even as negotiated wage data showed pay demands had yet to increase. Inflation hit 3% in April with further increases expected, and policymakers said they may need to raise interest rates if longer term price expectations rose or wage demands increased sharply. [\(Source\)](#)

Asia & Emerging

- Toyota is pushing the accelerator on electric vehicle sales in a response to threat posed by Chinese rivals. It doubled EV sales in the first three months of 2026 to a record 79,002 as the introduction of seven new models lifted its line-up of electric cars to 19. This is in stark contrast to several carmakers who scrapped EV expansion particularly in the US following the cancellation of EV credits by Donald Trump's administration. Toyota in March announced an \$800mn investment in its Kentucky plant to roll out a second US-built EV. [\(Source\)](#)
- Chinese AI startup DeepSeek could be valued at up to \$50 billion in its maiden fundraising drive. According to insiders, China's 60-billion-yuan national artificial intelligence fund, founded in January last year, is in talks to be a lead investor in DeepSeek's fundraising. The startup could raise \$3 billion to \$4 billion from the funding round to fuel its computing capabilities as well as improve employee benefits. The maiden fundraising comes at a time when DeepSeek is losing ground to domestic competitors with deep pockets from tech giants such as ByteDance and Alibaba to upstarts like MiniMax and Moonshot AI. [\(Source\)](#)

Others

- Egypt's preliminary GDP grew 5% in January to March compared to 4.8% in the same period a year earlier, according to a statement by the planning ministry on Wednesday. The growth rate in the first quarter of the year exceeded previous expectations that pegged it at 4.6% due to higher oil prices and disruptions in supply chains because of the Iran war. [\(Source\)](#)
- South Africa's private sector expanded at its fastest pace in nearly four years in April, as sales and output rose amid supply concerns linked to the Iran war, a business survey showed on Wednesday. The S&P Global South Africa Purchasing Managers' Index rose to 51.6 in April from 50.8 in March. The 50-mark separates growth from contraction. [\(Source\)](#)

Local News

- The SEMDEX rose by 0.23% to close at 2,279.81. In the banking segment, MCBG closed unchanged at MUR 428.00 with MUR 12.82m traded, while SBM advanced to MUR 6.70 (+1.8%). CIEL increased to MUR 8.00 (+1.3%), while Medine rose to MUR 55.00 (+1.9%). In the hotel segment, LUX edged up to MUR 48.20 (+0.6%).
- As per BoM, gross tourism earnings for March 2026 amounted to MUR 9,564 million, increasing from MUR 9,339 million in February 2026.



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