

World Markets

20-May-2026

	Index	Value at close	Day on Day	YTD	YTD(Rs)
	MSCI All Country World	1,091.79	-0.59%	7.61%	9.69%
US	S&P 500	7,353.61	-0.67%	7.42%	9.50%
	DOW JONES	49,363.88	-0.65%	2.71%	4.69%
	NASDAQ	25,870.71	-0.84%	11.31%	13.46%
	STOXX 600	611.34	0.19%	3.23%	4.55%
Europe	CAC 40	7,981.76	-0.07%	-2.06%	-0.81%
	DAX	24,400.65	0.38%	-0.37%	0.90%
	FTSE 100	10,330.55	0.07%	4.02%	5.86%
Asia	NIKKEI 225	60,550.59	-0.44%	20.28%	17.07%
	HANG SENG	25,797.85	0.48%	0.65%	2.57%
	CSI 300	4,852.88	0.40%	4.82%	10.59%
	SENSEX	75,200.85	-0.15%	-11.76%	-15.74%
Mauritius	SEMDEX	2,284.36	-0.04%	-4.09%	-4.09%
	SEM-10	434.65	-0.09%	-2.40%	-2.40%
	SEMTRI	10,916.96	-0.04%	-3.60%	-3.60%
	DEMEX	224.38	-0.15%	-0.14%	-0.14%
Commodities	Bloomberg Commodity	142.82	-0.22%	30.20%	32.72%
	WTI Crude Oil	107.77	-0.82%	87.69%	91.32%
	Gold	4,482.61	-1.84%	3.78%	5.79%
	Silver	73.73	-5.13%	2.89%	4.88%

Country	Central Bank	Policy Rate	Govt Yields	
			2 Yr	10 Yr
US	FED	3.50%- 3.75%	4.12%	4.67%
UK	BOE	3.75%	4.51%	5.13%
Europe	ECB	2.00%	2.76%	3.19%
Japan	BOJ	0.75%	1.44%	2.79%
Mauritius	BOM	4.50%	4.57%	5.52%

Currency*	Value Today	Day on Day	YTD
USD/MUR	47.40	0.35%	1.94%
GBP/MUR	63.52	0.21%	1.77%
EUR/MUR	54.99	-0.01%	1.27%
AUD/MUR	35.08	-0.11%	8.67%
ZAR/MUR	2.97	0.00%	1.89%
GBP/USD	1.34	-0.29%	-0.59%
EUR/USD	1.16	-0.44%	-1.20%
AUD/USD	0.71	-0.85%	6.50%
USD/JPY	159.07	0.16%	1.51%
USD/CNY	6.81	0.20%	-2.50%

*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
Mauritius 5-Yr Bonds Auction	UK Unemployment Rate Japan GDP Growth Rate	UK Inflation Rate Mauritius MPC Meeting	UK PMI Japan Balance of Trade	Japan Inflation Rate

World News

US

- President Donald Trump said on Tuesday that the United States may need to strike Iran again and that he had been an hour away from ordering an attack before postponing it. Trump made the comments a day after saying he had paused a planned resumption of hostilities following a new proposal by Tehran to end the U.S.-Israeli war. Iran's leaders are begging for a deal, he said, adding that a new U.S. attack would happen in coming days if no agreement was reached.[\(Source\)](#)
- U.S. crude oil inventories fell for a fifth straight week last week, according to market sources citing American Petroleum Institute data released on Tuesday, while fuel stocks also fell. Crude stocks fell by 9.1 million barrels in the week ended May 15, the sources said on condition of anonymity. Gasoline inventories fell by 5.8 million barrels, while distillate inventories fell by 1 million barrels compared with a week earlier, the sources said.[\(Source\)](#)

Europe

- Stellantis is due to announce a joint venture with Dongfeng and a deal to build at least one fully electric Voyah brand vehicle for the state-owned Chinese carmaker at the Franco-Italian company's factory in Rennes, France, two sources familiar with the matter told Reuters. The joint venture will be 51% owned by Stellantis, according to a letter of intent signed by the two companies, one of the sources said. The deal could be announced as early as Wednesday morning, the two sources added.[\(Source\)](#)
- The European Parliament voted through new foreign direct investment rules provisionally agreed in December with its co-legislator the Council of the EU, which represents EU countries. The revised rules expand the scope beyond FDI to include intra-EU investment by companies ultimately owned by third country investors and streamline screening parameters across the 27-country trade bloc in order to provide more certainty to investors.[\(Source\)](#)

Asia & Emerging

- Yesterday, Japan and South Korea leaders agreed to expand cooperation on LNG and crude oil supply. This energy cooperation includes stockpiling and petroleum product swap arrangements as well as deepening coordination to stabilise energy supply lines. Prime Minister Takaichi and President Lee also reaffirmed stronger security coordination, including trilateral cooperation with the United States. This summit in Andong was the sixth meeting between the two leaders since Lee took office and the second this year under their shuttle diplomacy framework.[\(Source\)](#)
- Chanel is expanding its store network in China, banking on a resurgence of energy in the world's second-largest economy and the excitement surrounding designer Matthieu Blazy to boost the brand's appeal. Although Blazy's creations only started appearing in shops in mid-March, his debut collections have already generated strong enthusiasm both online and in-store, a phenomenon some are calling "Blazy mania." This positive response stands out as a rare highlight for a major luxury house during a prolonged slowdown in the industry.[\(Source\)](#)

Others

- Tencent Holdings and Contemporary Amperex Technology (CATL) have joined the Singapore-based Action for a Resilient Climate (ARC) Coalition alongside global firms such as Mitsubishi, Vale, and Osaka Gas to help revive demand in the slowing carbon credit market. The coalition aims to collectively purchase at least 10 million tons of high-quality carbon credits by 2030, addressing a sharp decline in corporate demand, which fell to 153.5 million tons in 2023, the lowest since 2020, amid growing concerns over greenwashing and the credibility of emissions reduction projects.[\(Source\)](#)
- The World Bank's Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency plans to more than double the guarantees it provides annually in Africa to \$6.4 billion over the next 3-1/2 years, aiming to mobilise \$23 billion in private capital for projects ranging from food and energy security to debt swaps. The agency did not detail its project pipeline but said guarantees would continue to target energy grids, trade finance, digital connectivity, food security and support for local banks.[\(Source\)](#)

Local News

- The SEMDEX edged down by 0.04% to close at 2,284.36. MCBG declined to MUR 428.25 (-0.2%) with MUR 2.48m traded. In the hotel segment, NMH increased to MUR 14.05 (+0.4%), while SUN edged up to MUR 43.10 (+0.2%).



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