

World Markets

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	Index	Value at close	Day on Day	YTD	YTD(Rs)
US	MSCI All Country World	1,130.40	0.04%	11.41%	13.32%
	S&P 500	7,712.57	0.28%	12.67%	14.59%
	DOW JONES	52,495.88	1.02%	9.22%	11.09%
	NASDAQ	26,424.82	-0.02%	13.69%	15.64%
Europe	STOXX 600	638.64	-0.14%	7.84%	5.48%
	CAC 40	7,838.49	-0.38%	-3.82%	-5.92%
	DAX	25,304.42	-0.06%	3.32%	1.06%
	FTSE 100	10,733.00	-0.29%	8.07%	9.55%
Asia	NIKKEI 225	64,075.42	-1.30%	27.29%	24.27%
	HANG SENG	24,186.83	0.00%	-5.63%	-3.52%
	CSI 300	4,152.11	-0.54%	-10.32%	-5.12%
	SENSEX	73,852.90	0.00%	-13.34%	-14.72%
Mauritius	SEMDEX	2,291.76	-0.02%	-3.78%	-3.78%
	SEM-10	436.67	-0.05%	-1.95%	-1.95%
	SEMTRI	11,291.45	-0.02%	-0.29%	-0.29%
	DEMEX	220.66	-0.56%	-1.80%	-1.80%
Commodities	Bloomberg Commodity	143.33	-0.49%	30.67%	32.90%
	WTI Crude Oil	101.79	-1.80%	77.27%	80.30%
	Gold	4,125.20	-0.37%	-4.50%	-2.86%
	Silver	57.94	1.50%	-19.15%	-17.77%

Country	Central Bank	Policy Rate	Govt Yields	
			2 Yr	10 Yr
US	FED	3.75%- 4.00%	4.78%	5.11%
UK	BOE	3.75%	4.96%	5.41%
Europe	ECB	2.50%	3.08%	3.40%
Japan	BOJ	1.25%	1.90%	2.90%
Mauritius	BOM	4.75%	4.77%	5.55%

Currency*	Value Today	Day on Day	YTD
USD/MUR	47.30	0.08%	1.71%
GBP/MUR	63.27	0.39%	1.37%
EUR/MUR	53.11	0.04%	-2.19%
AUD/MUR	34.57	0.51%	7.08%
ZAR/MUR	3.03	0.33%	3.95%
GBP/USD	1.34	0.56%	-0.71%
EUR/USD	1.12	0.21%	-4.33%
AUD/USD	0.70	0.33%	4.95%
USD/JPY	158.17	-0.21%	0.93%
USD/CNY	6.68	-0.05%	-4.43%

*Foreign Currency Rates against the Mauritian Rupee are MCB's mid-rates as at 9:00 AM. For transactions purposes, kindly contact your Private Banker.

Weekly Events Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
China GDP Growth Rate	UK Unemployment Rate	UK Inflation Rate		Japan Inflation Rate UK PMI

World News

US

- SpaceX and Tesla are studying a deal to unite Elon Musk's two public companies in a multitrillion-dollar combination that would be the largest merger of all time. The world's richest man on Tuesday said both companies had formed special committees to study a tie-up. It marks the biggest step towards a merger that would create a sprawling conglomerate oriented around AI and potentially worth more than \$3tn.[\(Source\)](#)
- Salesforce Inc. agreed to buy Braze Inc. for an enterprise value of about \$5.7 billion to add more artificial intelligence features to its products. Braze gathers customer data in real time and uses AI to generate personalized messaging for different media and methods of communication, serving about 2,770 customers. The acquisition aims to enhance several Salesforce products, particularly those for marketing and customer communication, and extends Salesforce's marketing reach with real-time personalized mobile engagement for high-volume B2C brands.[\(Source\)](#)

Europe

- Independent Luca Niculescu was confirmed as Romania's prime minister by parliament on Tuesday, ending nearly six months of political deadlock that put pressure on its investment-grade rating and dented investor confidence. Niculescu, 55, won a parliamentary vote of confidence after putting together a minority government of leftists and technocrats following his nomination by centrist President Nicusor Dan.[\(Source\)](#)
- European airfares will see their "biggest increase in history" next year, Ryanair CEO Michael O'Leary said on Tuesday, with airlines largely unhedged against higher jet fuel costs. O'Leary forecast there would be fewer seats available next year as a result of bankruptcies and takeovers among airlines, which together with the unhedged positions would result in fares increasing by as much as 20%.[\(Source\)](#)

Asia & Emerging

- Japan's exports increased 16.7% year-on-year in September, supported by sustained global demand for semiconductors and AI-related products. Automobile shipments also remained resilient, particularly to Europe, where improving economic conditions boosted demand. Exports to the US climbed 22.9%, while those to China rose 8.6%. Meanwhile, imports grew 18.9%, slowing from August's 28% increase due to lower crude oil purchases. The moderation in import growth helped reduce Japan's trade deficit to ¥536.6 billion in September, compared with ¥1.1 trillion in the previous month.[\(Source\)](#)
- Chinese technology giants ByteDance, Alibaba and Tencent have reportedly placed orders for more than 3 million of Nvidia's RTX PRO 5500 graphics cards, with a combined list value exceeding \$35 billion. The large-scale purchases highlight continued Chinese demand for Nvidia hardware despite US export restrictions. While the RTX PRO 5500 is designed for high-performance workstations rather than AI data centres, it remains one of the most powerful Nvidia chips still accessible to Chinese customers, making it an attractive option for AI development and computing needs.[\(Source\)](#)

Others

- The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) announced nearly \$967 million in additional funding to modernize critical power grid infrastructure across states, territories, and tribal communities. The investment, provided through the Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grant Program, aims to strengthen grid reliability, improve resilience, and help reduce rising electricity costs by supporting upgrades that deliver more affordable and dependable power supplies.[\(Source\)](#)
- Jio Platforms' \$3.2 billion IPO was 85% subscribed within the first hour of public bidding on Wednesday, as investors flocked to India's largest share sale and the first from billionaire Mukesh Ambani's Reliance in two decades. With backing from Meta, Alphabet's Google and institutional investors, Jio Platforms is home to India's biggest telecom company with more than 500 million subscribers, making it the world's second-largest telecom operator in a single country after China Mobile.[\(Source\)](#)

Local News

- The SEMDEX declined by 0.02% to close at 2,291.76. In the banking segment, MCBG closed unchanged at MUR 468.25 with MUR 10.71m traded, while SBMH advanced to MUR 6.06 (+0.3%). CIM declined to MUR 12.70 (-2.3%) and CIEL declined to MUR 7.56 (-0.5%).



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