

World Markets

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	Index	Value at close	Day on Day	YTD	YTD(Rs)
US	MSCI All Country World	1,145.70	-0.67%	12.92%	16.87%
	S&P 500	7,706.03	-0.75%	12.57%	16.50%
	DOW JONES	51,511.59	-0.68%	7.17%	10.92%
	NASDAQ	26,936.04	-1.13%	15.89%	19.94%
	STOXX 600	639.92	-0.44%	8.06%	9.01%
Europe	CAC 40	8,123.41	-0.39%	-0.32%	0.55%
	DAX	25,410.63	-0.66%	3.76%	4.67%
	FTSE 100	10,705.26	-0.03%	7.79%	10.04%
Asia	NIKKEI 225	65,018.95	0.00%	29.16%	28.40%
	HANG SENG	24,834.12	-1.01%	-3.11%	0.90%
	CSI 300	4,517.28	-0.60%	-2.43%	4.46%
	SENSEX	74,828.25	0.40%	-12.19%	-13.25%
Mauritius	SEMDEX	2,304.67	-0.08%	-3.24%	-3.24%
	SEM-10	439.84	-0.07%	-1.24%	-1.24%
	SEMTRI	11,347.71	-0.08%	0.20%	0.20%
	DEMEX	222.57	-0.29%	-0.95%	-0.95%
Commodities	Bloomberg Commodity	144.81	0.28%	32.02%	36.63%
	WTI Crude Oil	92.16	-2.57%	60.50%	66.11%
	Gold	4,287.65	-1.68%	-0.73%	2.73%
	Silver	64.43	-3.95%	-10.09%	-6.95%

Country	Central Bank	Policy Rate	Govt Yields	
			2 Yr	10 Yr
US	FED	3.75%- 4.00%	4.90%	5.11%
UK	BOE	3.75%	4.91%	5.35%
Europe	ECB	2.50%	3.33%	3.56%
Japan	BOJ	1.25%	1.86%	2.99%
Mauritius	BOM	4.75%	4.53%	5.51%

Currency*	Value Today	Day on Day	YTD
USD/MUR	48.13	0.47%	3.49%
GBP/MUR	63.71	-0.13%	2.08%
EUR/MUR	54.77	0.05%	0.87%
AUD/MUR	35.27	-0.58%	9.25%
ZAR/MUR	3.08	-0.81%	5.67%
GBP/USD	1.32	-0.80%	-1.75%
EUR/USD	1.14	-0.59%	-3.10%
AUD/USD	0.70	-1.07%	5.48%
USD/JPY	158.32	0.59%	1.03%
USD/CNY	6.71	0.16%	-3.96%

*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
		S&P Global Manufacturing PMI	Germany Consumer Confidence	RBA Interest Rate Decision JOLTs Job Openings

World News

US

- The losses in the US Treasuries market intensified on Wednesday as robust economic data and a weak debt auction drove yields across most maturities to the highest levels in almost two decades. Rising oil prices sparked the declines earlier in the session, fanning worries around elevated inflation and punishing European government debt as well. Releases showing stronger-than-forecast US manufacturing and services activity accelerated the slide, which then picked up speed again as a five-year Treasury auction drew surprisingly dim demand.[\(Source\)](#)
- Australia said on Thursday an OpenAI agent breached a government health data portal in June, gaining unauthorised access to files, in what could be the first known instance of an AI agent hacking a government website. The breach is one of the highest-profile incidents of AI agents accessing external systems outside the United States, coming on top of several recent breaches globally by rogue AI agents that have alarmed governments and companies.[\(Source\)](#)

Europe

- Chancellor Friedrich Merz may have survived the triumph of the far right in this month's state elections in eastern Germany and Berlin but the shock to his coalition could force him to water down his promised reform agenda. Merz took the unusual step of announcing immediately after exit polls showed his conservatives were on course for their worst-ever defeat that he would stay in office to get a raft of reforms to the tax, pensions and health systems through parliament.[\(Source\)](#)
- Europe's economy is showing unexpected signs of health even as conflicts in the Middle East and Ukraine drive up energy costs for firms and households, key business surveys showed on Wednesday. Business activity across the euro zone accelerated in September at its fastest rate in over three years, S&P Global said, with solid growth registered across both the manufacturing and service sectors.[\(Source\)](#)

Asia & Emerging

- Japan's manufacturing sector continued to expand in September, although growth slowed compared with the previous month. The flash Manufacturing PMI eased to 54.1 from 54.9 in August, reflecting softer increases in both output and new orders. Factory production grew at its weakest pace in three months, while new order growth slowed to a four-month low. Nevertheless, robust overseas demand supported export orders, which remained a key strength. Manufacturers also continued hiring, contributing to the fastest increase in private-sector employment across Japan in seven months overall.[\(Source\)](#)
- US President Donald Trump welcomed Chinese President Xi Jinping to Washington for a three-day visit, marking the first time in over a decade that a US president has received a foreign leader at Joint Base Andrews. During Xi's arrival, Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent announced that Washington and Beijing had agreed to extend their existing trade war truce from its November 10 expiry date to January 10. While China's embassy offered no immediate response, President Xi stressed that China and the United States should pursue cooperation and partnership rather than rivalry.[\(Source\)](#)

Others

- South Africa's central bank raised interest rates for the second time this year on Wednesday, saying the Iran war had triggered "large and sustained" price shocks and tighter policy was needed to prevent higher inflation from becoming entrenched. The decision by the South African Reserve Bank's Monetary Policy Committee to raise the policy rate by 25 basis points to 7.25% was unanimous and in line with the average forecast in a Reuters poll of economists.[\(Source\)](#)
- Microsoft, Google and Amazon defended rapid data-center expansion amid concerns over electricity costs, water use and grid pressure, highlighting investments in clean energy, water efficiency and workforce development. However, opposition is increasingly disrupting development, with 45 US projects worth \$68 billion blocked or delayed in Q2 2026, while several states are considering tighter rules on electricity and water use.[\(Source\)](#)

Local News

- The SEMDEX declined by 0.08% to close at 2,304.67. In the banking segment, MCBG closed unchanged at MUR 468.00 with MUR 79.90m traded, while SBMH slipped to MUR 6.14 (-0.7%). CIEL eased to MUR 7.54 (-0.3%), ER Group declined to MUR 18.30 (-0.3%), and Medine slipped to MUR 53.75 (-0.5%). In the hotel segment, NMH rose to MUR 13.65 (+0.4%), while LUX advanced to MUR 48.50 (+0.6%) and SUN declined to MUR 48.25 (-0.5%).
- Regarding the auction for 3-year Government of Mauritius Notes (Re-Opening), a nominal amount of MUR 2.5bn was allocated at a weighted-average yield of 4.67%.



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