Currency Daily



April 19, 2017

Closing yield%	Previous yield %
6.86	6.85
2.17	2.25
0.16	0.19
1.01	1.04
0.01	0.01
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RBI reference rate						
	Close	Close				
	18-04-2017	17-04-2017	% change			
USD/INR	64.57	64.41	0.25			
EUR/INR	68.74	68.40	0.49			
GBP/INR	81.18	80.72	0.57			
YEN/INR	59.22	59.39	-0.29			

Spot			
Spot	Close	Prev close	% change
Rupee	64.63	64.52	0.18
Dollar index	99.50	100.29	-0.79
Euro	1.073	1.0643	0.82
British pound	1.2841	1.2565	2.20
Japanese Yen	108.43	108.91	-0.44
Australian (\$)	0.756	0.7589	-0.38
Swiss Franc	0.9963	1.0045	-0.82

Currency futures (US\$/₹, NSE)

Contracts LT	ITD	chng (%)	chna (%) Ol	Vol	chng (%)	
	LIF CIIII (%) OI VOI	VUI	01	Vol		
April	64.70	0.15	1145668	938845	-6.65	0.28
May	64.99	0.17	741085	156531	3.59	-0.19
April-May	-0.29	-	-	782314	-	83.33
May-June	-0.25		-	139112		88.87

Global Indices

Indices	Close	Prev close	% change
Dow Jones	20523.28	20636.92	-0.55
Nasdaq	5391.656	5399.196	-0.14
FTSE	7147	7327	-2.45
DAX	12000	12109	-0.99
Hang Sang	23737.08	23924.54	-0.78
Nikkei	18401.08	18418.59	-0.10
SGX Nifty	9114	9117	-0.03
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^{*} Asian market as at 08.00 am

Commodities						
	Close	Prev close	% change			
Gold	1289.76	1284.71	0.39			
Copper	252.9	259.6	-2.58			
Brent crude	54.89	55.36	-0.85			

Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Cdsl for above all exhibits

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Debt market

- Government bonds ended little changed after the Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) predicted southwest monsoon rainfall would be normal this year
- The benchmark 6.97% 2026 bond yield rose to 6.86% from 6.85% in the previous session
- Yield on the US 10-year fell sharply to 2.17% from 2.25% in the previous session

Forex (US\$/INR)

- The rupee fell for a second day against the dollar in range bound trading, dragged by weak domestic equities and US\$ purchases by state-run banks for their importer clients
- The dollar index fell sharply against major currencies as sharp gains in the GBP and euro weighed on the US\$. The GBP gained almost 2.20% as the UK Prime Minister has called for snap general elections in June. The euro also gained tracking political developments in France. We expect the US\$ to remain subdued as US interest rate hike prospects could take a backseat amid a host of geo-political uncertainties

Equity

- Equity benchmarks settled lower for a fourth consecutive session after surrendering intraday gains amid intensified profit booking towards the second half of trade
- The Sensex fell 94 points or 0.32% to settle at 29319 while the Nifty was down 34 points or 0.37% to shut shop at 9105
- Broader markets also came under pressure as the BSE midcap and small cap indices underperformed the benchmarks by losing 0.63% and 0.74%, respectively. As a result, the overall market breadth turned weak with an A/D ratio of 1:1.6 on the BSE

Commodities Market

- Crude oil fell as weekly US inventory data due today is expected to rise by 1.4 mb as per Bloomberg survey. Rising shale oil supplies is weighing on any meaningful gains in crude oil
- Gold gained slightly in the previous session as selling in US\$ aided gains
 in non-interest paying asset. The US President's comments on strength
 in US\$ and backtracking from his campaign promise of terming China a
 currency manipulator has weighed on interest rate hike sentiment

US\$/INR derivatives strategy

- In the currency futures market, the most traded dollar-rupee April contract on the NSE ended at 64.60. The April contract open interest fell 6.65% from the previous day
- May contract open interest rose 3.59% from the previous day
- We expect the US\$ to meet supply pressure at higher levels. Utilise upsides in the pair to go short on the US\$INR pair

Intra-day strategy

US\$INR April futures contract (NSE)	View: Bearish on US\$INR
Sell US\$INR in the range of 64.80 - 64.90	Market Lot: US\$1000
Target: 64.65/ 64.55	Stop Loss: 65.00
Support	Resistance
S1/ S2: 64.60 / 64.40	R1/R2:64.80 /65.00

Source: Company, ICICIdirect.com Research

^{*}Call initiation and update messages will be broadcast on iclick-2-gain"



FII Activity			
Segment	Gross Purchase	Gross Sale	Net (₹ crore)
Equity	1960.91	2028.18	-67.27
Debt	1898.45	418.41	1480.04

Source: SEBI, CDSL



Source: Reuters, ICICIdirect.com Research

Exhibit 2: Pivot Levels (NSE)				
Futures	Pivot	S 1	S2	R1	R2
US\$ - INR (Apr)	64.65	64.58	64.47	64.75	64.82
US\$ - INR (May)	64.93	64.86	64.76	65.03	65.10
EUR - INR (Apr)	68.98	68.83	68.59	69.22	69.37
EUR - INR (May)	69.39	69.24	69.00	69.63	69.78
GBP - INR (Apr)	81.67	81.23	80.51	82.39	82.83
GBP - INR (May)	82.10	81.69	80.96	82.83	83.24
JPY - INR (Apr)	59.39	59.23	59.04	59.58	59.74
JPY - INR (May)	59.72	59.55	59.34	59.93	60.10

Source: NSE, ICICIdirect.com Research

Exhibit 3: Strategy follow up								
Date	Contract USD/INR	View	Strategy	Rec.	Target	SL	(P/L)*	Comment
18-Apr-17	April	Buy	Buy future	64.40	64.80	64.25	0	Not initiated

(*Returns are calculated on one lot only)

Exhibit 4: Contract Specification (NSE	
Underlying	Rate of exchange between one USD and INR
Trading Hours (Monday to Friday)	09:00 a.m. to 05:00 p.m.
Contract Size	USD 1000
Tick Size	0.25 paise or INR 0.0025
Trading Period	Maximum expiration period of 12 months
Contract Months	12 near calendar months
Final Settlement date/ Value date	Last working day of the month (subject to holiday calendars)
Last Trading Day	Two working days prior to Final Settlement Date
Settlement	Cash settled
Final Settlement Price	The reference rate fixed by RBI two days prior to the final settlement date will be used for final settlement

Source: NSE, ICICIdirect.com Research



NOTES:

- The Sell below / above price is a key technical level, which decides the trend for the day
- Initiate the trade within +/— 0.03—0.04 margin from the recommended level
- A return opportunity of about 0.09 paisa is considered for partial profit booking post initiation of the trade
- Once the Call is initiated, an appropriate Stop Loss trigger should be put for the trade
- Once into position, put trailing stops to preserve your profits
- Be careful if the counter achieves the target immediately after opening
- The strategies are valid only for the date mentioned at the top
- Positions should be squared off by the end of the day
- The strategies are based on intra-day volatility, suggesting a two-way approach intra-day
- Medium to long-term prospects do not have any bearing on the daily view

MOST IMP: The follow-up and performance review table of the strategies indicates the profit opportunity that was available in the strategies. Individual profits may vary, depending upon the entry and exit price and stop losses



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