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The day in review

- Equity market pares gain
- System liquidity eased
- Bullish theme in the fixed income space

Looking forward

- Feb-19 CPI and Inflation report - (NBS)
- FY-18 Earnings scorecard - (NSE)

Daily insight

Nigeria's balance of payment in Q4-18

The Central Bank of Nigeria recently released its quarterly report on the country's Balance of Payment (BOP) for Q4-18. According to the report, there was a significant improvement in the country's balance of payment as the total value of goods, services and capital exported over the period outweighed total imports with a surplus of \$2.8mn compared to the \$4.5bn deficit recorded in the preceding quarter.

Compartmentalizing the BOP data, the results indicated that the country's current account balance improved from a deficit of \$1.5bn in Q3-18 to a surplus of \$1.1bn in Q4-18, largely attributable to an increase in exports, as well as a decrease in imports and net income payments. On the other hand, financial account balance indicated a net acquisition of financial assets to the tune of \$2.3bn in the review period as against a net incurrence of financial liabilities worth \$4.6bn recorded in the preceding quarter.

Nigeria's BOP dynamics remains one oil price shock away from a deficit position. Hence, to ensure stability in the country's BOP account, we highlight the need for the government to implement more reforms geared at diversifying the country export composition – which remains largely dominated by oil sales.

Headline	Level	1 day	YTD
NSE ASI	31,210.8	▼ -0.5%	▼ -0.7%
Mkt. Cap (N'bn)	11,639.0	▼ -0.5%	▼ -0.7%
Mkt. Cap (\$'mn)	37,918.2	▼ -0.5%	▼ -0.7%
Value (N'mn)	2,559.7	▲ 13.2%	
Value (\$'mn)	8.3	▲ 13.2%	
Volume	177.6	▼ -52.9%	
Deals	2,635.0	▼ -19.5%	
Market Breadth	0.4		

T-Bills Yields	Current	Previous	%Δ
3 months	11.57	11.58	▼ -0.01
6 months	14.42	14.16	▲ 0.26
12 months	13.76	14.54	▼ -0.78

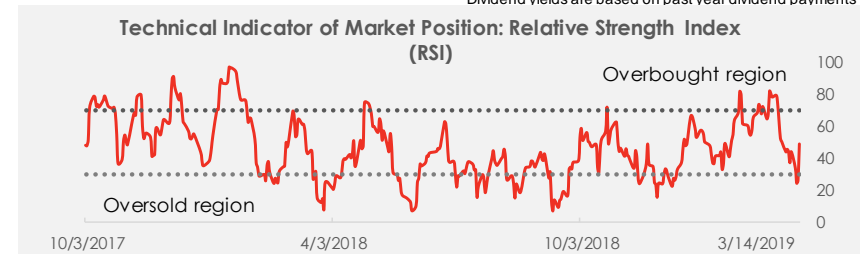
Bonds Yields	Current	Previous	% Δ
3 years	14.61	14.61	0.00
5 years	14.47	14.47	0.00
7 years	14.35	14.35	0.00
10 years	14.23	14.26	▼ -0.03

Currencies	Current	Previous	% Δ
Official	306.95	306.95	0.00%
Parallel	358.50	358.50	0.00%
NAFEX	360.36	360.29	▼ -0.02%

Other Key indices	Current	Previous	% Δ
OBB	9.42	9.7	▼ -0.25
OVN	10.00	10.3	▼ -0.33
Brent	67.2	67.6	▼ -0.52

	1 day	MTD	YTD	P/E (x)	Div. Yld.
Agriculture	0.0%	0.0%	11.0%	4.5	3.2%
Banks	▼ -0.4%	▲ -1.8%	1.2%	4.6	7.7%
Consumer	▲ 0.004%	▼ -1.3%	▼ -3.8%	22.3	3.1%
Industrial	▼ -0.5%	▲ -2.5%	0.3%	48.7	6.6%
Insurance	▲ 0.5%	▲ -2.3%	2.9%	4.7	6.8%
Oil & Gas	▲ 0.1%	▼ -2.5%	▼ -3.7%	48.7	5.8%
Mkt. Avg. P/E	8.1		Mkt. Avg. Div. Yld	5.3%	

*P/Es are based on the last twelve months trailing earnings
*Dividend yields are based on past year dividend payments



Pan African Market Monitor

Equities	Level	1 day	YTD	P/E	Div. Yld.
BRVM	173.7	▲ 0.6%	0.9%	8.3	7.1
Egypt	15,001.7	▼ -0.8%	▲ 15.1%	16.8	2.0
Ghana	2,422.5	▲ 0.2%	▼ -3.1%	23.3	1,526.3
Kenya	154.5	▼ -0.4%	▲ 10.0%	12.8	4.7
Mauritius	2,189.7	▼ -0.1%	▼ -1.3%	17.4	2.0
Morocco	299.5	▼ -0.2%	▼ -3.3%	18.6	3.9
MSCI FM	547.9	▲ 0.1%	▲ 6.2%	11.0	3.5
South Africa	55,926.1	▲ 0.2%	▲ 6.0%	16.8	4.1
Tunisia	6,902.4	▲ 0.1%	▼ -5.1%	17.7	2.1
Zimbabwe	5179.87	▼ -6.7%	▲ -16.3%	16.1	-



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