

Daily Forex Insight

KEY HEADLINES:

The Indian rupee spot against the US dollar end lower on Monday, to end month as well quarter marginal fall, trailing most Asian peers amid slower inflows and growth concern with looming reciprocal tariff threat. however RBI aggressive rate cut, later rally in equity market and lower Crude oil prices support rupee in last few weeks.

The rupee at NSE Future 29 July-25. ended lower by 26 paise at 85.87 against previous close of 85.61 and after make low of 85.55 and high of 85.92.

Rupee posted modest losses of 0.2% and 0.3% respectively for the month and qter, underperforming most Asian peers amid a broad dollar downtrend. Asian peers such as the Taiwan dollar and Korean won have risen about nearly 13% and 8% year-to-date, respectively, while the offshore Chinese yuan, a closely tracked peer of the rupee, is up over 2%.

The dollar index is down over 10% on the year so far, worst H1 since 1973, ibogged down by worries over U.S. trade and fiscal policies, worries over the future independence of the Federal Reserve and expectations of upcoming cuts to benchmark interest rates.

India's fiscal deficit for April-May was 131.6 billion rupees (\$1.5 billion) or 0.8% of the estimate for the financial year ending March 31, government data showed on Monday.

Indian banks' gross bad loan ratio will remain close to multi-decade lows if economic growth holds steady as projected, a report published by the central bank on Monday showed. The Reserve Bank of India forecasts growth at 6.5% and 6.7% in fiscal 2026 and 2027. The gross bad loan ratio - the proportion of bad assets of a lender to total loans - of 46 banks was at 2.3% in March 2025 and is seen rising marginally to 2.5% by March 2027, the RBI said in its Financial Stability Report. The bad loan ratio could rise to 5.3% and 5.6% under two separate high-risk scenarios, where growth is much below the forecasts, the report said. The Financial Stability Report is published twice a year and includes contributions from all financial sector regulators.

India's industrial output grew 1.2% y-o-y in May, its slowest pace since August 2024, government data showed on Monday. ndustrial output grew 2.7% year-on-year in April.

India is likely to get above-average monsoon rainfall, critical to the economy, in July after receiving 9% above-normal rains in June, a senior weather department official said on Monday. All regions, except northeastern states and the southern states of Tamil

Nadu and Kerala, are likely to receive rainfall equating to more than 106% of the 50-year average in July, Mrutyunjay Mohapatra, director-general of the India Meteorological Department (IMD), told a virtual news conference.

The dollar languished against the euro and Swiss franc on Monday as markets weighed the prospect of a ballooning U.S. government deficit and the potential for trade deals with major trading partners.

The dollar was down 0.44% to 0.79475 against the Swiss franc . The euro was up 0.28% at \$1.175450 against the dollar. The greenback was set to finish the month 3.4% down against the franc, while the euro was set to gain about 3.6% against the dollar. The dollar was down 0.19% to 144.33 against the Japanese yen , on track to finish the month flat versus the Asian currency.

The dollar index, which measures the greenback against a basket of currencies including the yen and the euro, fell 0.15% to 97.05, on track for its 6th - straight month of losses. It is set to mark its worst half-year since the 1970s.

Fed funds futures traders are pricing in 23% odds of a July cut, up from 13% a week ago, while a cut by September has a 93% probability, according to the CME Group's FedWatch Tool. In total, traders see 66 basis points of cuts by year-end, indicating a potential third 25-basis point reduction, up from 46 basis points on Friday.

Economic Indicators to be released.

Indicator	Currency	Forecast	Previous	Impact
Fed Chair Powell Speaks	USD			HIGH
	CSD			111011
ISM Manufacturing PMI	USD	48.8	48.5	HIGH
JOLTS Job Openings	USD	7.32M	69.4M	HIGH

<u>Support Resistance Levels – Currency Future: (NSE CUR - 29 July 25)</u>

Currency	LTP	S1	S2	R1	R2	Trend
USDINR FUTURE	85.87	85.50	84.90	86.30	87.10	BEARISH
EURINR FUTURE	100.85	99.70	99.0	101.0	102.0	BULLISH
GBPINR FUTURE	117.71	117.0	116.30	118.10	119.0	BULLISH
JPYINR FUTURE	59.57	59.30	58.70	60.40	61.0	SIDEWAYS

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