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Daily Currency Outlook

**USD/MYR**



Source: Bloomberg, HLBB Global Markets Research

**Intraday Thoughts – Neutral-to-Slightly Bearish**

USD/MYR opened 0.01% lower at 4.6765 and slid to 4.6735 at the point of writing. Daily outlook is neutral-to-slightly bearish, as we expect a largely risk-on appetite and expectations of Fed rate cuts ahead to largely weigh on USD. As it is, the DXY has largely traded sideways to 104.26 in early Asian morning trade after the stronger-than expected retail sales readings overnight and today, we will be watching out for the upcoming release of the Beige Book, IPI and housing indicators.

**1-Month Outlook – USD/MYR Neutral-to-Slightly Bearish**

The USD/MYR outlook is neutral-to-slightly bearish as the upside for the DXY appeared to have peaked with the recent rise in the Dollar, amidst cooling-but-still resilient signs of a labour market, forward looking data that suggests gradual weakening in economic conditions in 2Q. Nonetheless, Fed officials have repeated stressed the need for more good data on the inflation front, and as such, this should keep rate cut expectations and marked weakening in the Dollar, in check. Domestically, MYR will be supported by expectations for an extended pause in the OPR, as recovery in exports, sustained domestic demand and upside risk to inflation amid imminent subsidy cuts should shield BNM from any OPR cut.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
USD/MYR	4.6663	4.6706	4.6735	4.6765	4.6792

## USD/SGD

### USD/SGD Neutral

USD/SGD opened flat at 1.3442, traded within a narrow range of 1.3435-1.3448 before settling at 1.3435 at the point of writing. Daily outlook is neutral as the SGD has largely held steady against the Dollar despite the worse than expected fall in NODX print from Singapore this morning.



	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
USD/SGD	1.3414	1.3427	1.3435	1.3444	1.3453

## MYR Crosses

### SGD/MYR

### SGD/MYR Neutral-to-Slightly Bearish

SGD/MYR opened 0.01% lower at 3.4796 and slid to 3.4787 at the point of writing. Daily outlook is neutral-to-slightly bearish, with sentiment largely against SGD on the back of a risk-on environment as well as weaker than expected Singapore's NODX data this morning.

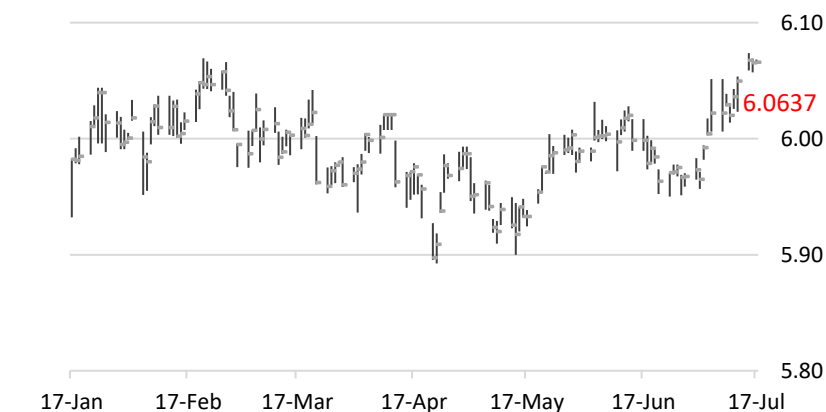


	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
SGD/MYR	3.4745	3.4767	3.4787	3.4812	3.4832

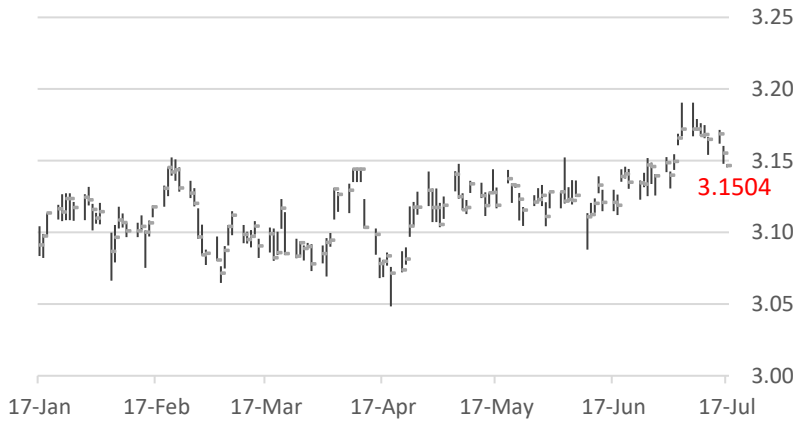
### GBP/MYR

### GBP/MYR Neutral

GBP/MYR opened 0.03% higher at 6.0670 before losing its minute lustre to trade at 6.0637 at the point of writing. We prefer to stay neutral ahead of UK CPI print today and labour prints later in the week, and as GBP/USD largely drifted around the 1.2795 at the point of writing.



	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
GBP/MYR	6.0599	6.0619	6.0637	6.0671	6.0703

**AUD/MYR**

**AUD/MYR Neutral-to-Slightly Bearish**

AUD/MYR opened 0.26% lower at 3.1470 before erasing some of its losses to trade at 3.1504 at the point of writing. Daily outlook is neutral-to slightly bearish, with the AUD/USD taking a short dip to 0.6725 post the release of its Leading Index, before rebounding to 0.6738 at the point of writing. Any losses will nonetheless be capped given that RBA is one of the last central banks among the G10 countries to begin cutting rates and amid cautiousness ahead of Australia's labour data tomorrow.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
AUD/MYR	3.1377	3.1432	3.1504	3.1542	3.1597

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