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**Global Markets Research**

**Daily Currency Outlook**

**USD/MYR**



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

USD/MYR opened 0.11% higher at 4.4563 and jumped to 4.4655 at the point of writing. Daily outlook is neutral-to-slightly bullish today on USD strength after Donald Trump threatened to impose sweeping new tariffs on Mexico, Canada and China when he takes office. This saw the DXY spiralling upwards to 107.31 at the point of writing but concerns over the FOMC meeting minutes today could keep gains in check.

**1-Month Outlook – USD/MYR Neutral**

The USD/MYR outlook is neutral as traders continue to trade cautiously in the USD on uncertainties over the pace of rate cuts especially in view of Trump’s potentially inflationary policies going forward and softer, but still resilient labour data released recently. That said, we believe increasing odds of a slower pace of Fed rate cuts especially going into 2025, will limit downside in the USD going forward. On the domestic front, the delay in the implementation of RON95 subsidy retargeting to mid-2025 will further push back upside risks to inflation, reaffirming our view for an extended pause in the OPR probably through next year. The prospects of narrowing in rate differentials, favourable economic outlook and domestic reforms, ongoing initiatives to encourage flows, will continue to support the MYR, despite likelihood of near-term volatility in the midst of political and policy noises in the US.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
USD/MYR	4.4370	4.4442	4.4655	4.4786	4.4994

## USD/SGD



### USD/SGD Neutral-to-Slightly Bullish

USD/SGD opened flat at 1.3459 before trending up to 1.3493 at the point of writing. Daily outlook is neutral-to-slightly bullish on USD strength today, but gains likely capped as the pair trades near its overbought position. This pair will face R1 and R2 at 1.3512 and 1.3572 today. Besides the FOMC meeting minutes, key risk for this pair today will be Singapore's IPI print due in the afternoon.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
USD/SGD	1.3392	1.3426	1.3493	1.3512	1.3572

## MYR Crosses

### SGD/MYR

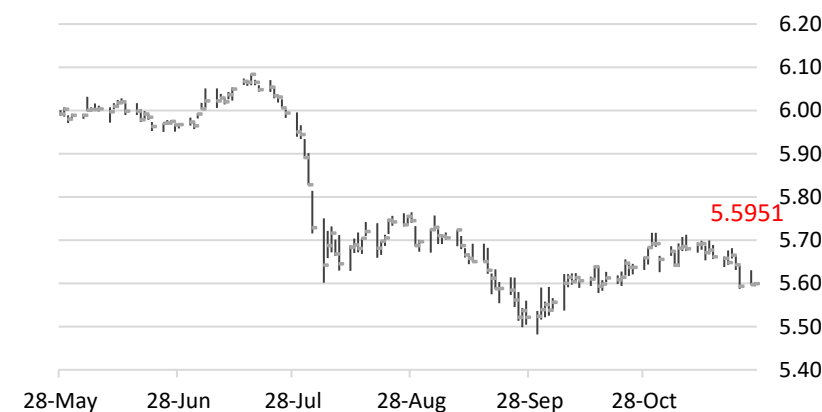


### SGD/MYR Neutral-to-Slightly Bullish

SGD/MYR opened 0.13% lower at 3.3009 before paring all its losses and more to trade at 3.3080 at the point of writing. Daily outlook is neutral-to-slightly bullish as MYR underperformed most of its regional peers in early Asian trade, facing resistance at 3.3212 today. As mentioned, Singapore's IPI is due later today and expectations is that it will pick up to +2.0% m/m in October after registering flat growth previously.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
SGD/MYR	3.2888	3.2970	3.3080	3.3212	3.3372

### GBP/MYR



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

GBP/MYR opened 0.02% lower at 5.5960 and slid to 5.5951 at the point of writing. Daily outlook is neutral-to-slightly bearish because of this, and as GBP/USD drifts below the 1.2600 handle at the point of writing. It will be data light on the UK front today with only CBI Retailing Sales index on deck but BOE Chief Economist Huw Pill is set to speak.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
GBP/MYR	5.5746	5.5858	5.5951	5.6192	5.6414

**AUD/MYR**

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

AUD/MYR opened 0.49% lower at 2.8862 before shedding some losses to trade at 2.8892 at the point of writing. Daily outlook is neutral to slightly bearish as risks of more tariffs from Trump will keep pressuring China-proxy AUD. In fact, AUD/USD retreated to 0.6471 at the point of writing but losses will likely be limited given the upcoming CPI print for October tomorrow.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
AUD/MYR	2.8605	2.8843	2.8892	2.9161	2.9319

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