

WEEKLY REPORT

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NIGERIAN ECONOMY:

The Nigerian week had a late start, as the Federal Government declared Monday and Tuesday public holidays to mark the celebration of Christmas and Boxing day.

The week would hence start on Wednesday, with three business days in the week.

INDICATOR	PRESENT	PREVIOUS	%CHG
INFLATION	15.40	15.99	-3.69%
UNEMPLOYMENT	33.30%	27.10%	22.88%
CRUDE BONNY LIGHT (USD)	77.70	75.38	3.08%

SOURCE: NBS, OILPRICE.COM, APT RESEARCH

The Central Bank of Nigeria on Friday released the nations' December Foreign Exchange Reserve figure.

The foreign exchange reserve figure show Nigeria's foreign reserves declining from 41.19Bn USD in November to 40.53Bn USD, below market forecast of 41Bn USD.

This would be the second consecutive monthly decline in the nations' foreign exchange reserves, since the foreign reserves peaked at 41.75Bn USD in October of 2021, the highest figure recorded since September 2019 when the foreign reserves stood at 42.12Bn USD.

INTERBANK-(FX Spot& Forwards)			
Tenor	Previous	Current	WoW %CHG
CBN SMIS	430.00	430.00	0.00%
I& E FX	415.10	435.00	-4.57%
1 M	414.84	418.88	-0.96%
3 M	420.22	426.36	-1.44%
6 M	428.30	437.71	-2.15%
1Y	444.57	448.81	-0.94%

SOURCE: FMDQ, APT RESEARCH

The Nigerian Naira significantly weakened on the official exchange window as the CBN adjusts the Dollar to Naira rate on the I&E window higher by N19.90kobo, marking another devaluation in the Naira. The Naira is hence down by 4.57% in the week at the I&E window to trade at N435.00/\$ from the N415.10/\$ it traded at the end of the previous week.

Consequently, the Naira weakened on the official Naira forward market, with the one-year forward rate down by 0.94% to peg the one-year Naira forward rate at N448.81/\$.



SOURCE: FMDQ, APT RESEARCH

Following a liquidity crunch experienced in the financial sector in the previous week, liquidity marginally improved in the banking sector in the week in view as measured by a decline in the overnight lending rate.

NIGERIAN T-BILLS RATES			
MATURITY	RATE	PREV	WoW %CHG
1 MONTH	3.86	3.86	0.00%
2 MONTH	2.46	2.46	0.00%
3 MONTH	3.82	3.82	0.00%
6 MONTH	4.32	4.32	0.00%
9 MONTH	5.41	5.42	-0.18%
12 MONTH	5.24	5.24	0.00%

SOURCE: FMDQ, APT RESEARCH

Yields across the Nigerian Treasury Bills remained relatively flat as the year draws to a close. Going into the new year, we expect yields to decline further as risk-averse investors push the price of NT-bills higher.

LOCAL EQUITIES MARKET:

The local equities market was open for three sessions in the week following the declaration of a two-day public holiday by the Federal Government.



SOURCE: NGX EXCHANGE, APT RESEARCH

The Nigerian Equities Market kicked-off the week on a bearish note on Wednesday. The bulls however swayed the market in their favor to mark the last trading sessions of the year. The NGXASI gained 1.07% in the week to stand at 42,716.44bps. This outing brought the year-to-date performance of the ASI to close the week and by extension the year at 6.07.

INDICATOR	PRESENT	PREVIOUS	WoW %CHG
NSEASI (bps)	42,716.44	42,262.85	1.07%
MKT.CAP. (N'trn)	22.297	22.060	1.07%
YTD Return	6.07%	4.95%	22.77%

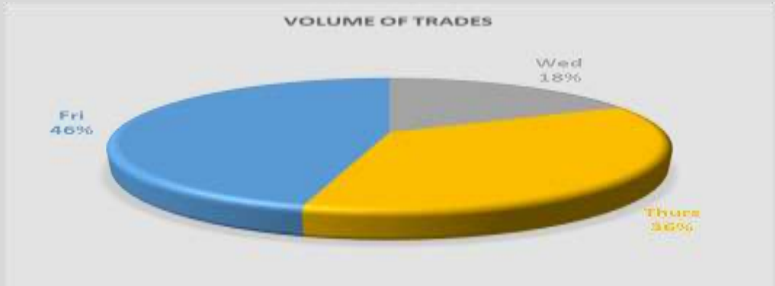
SOURCE: NGX EXCHANGE, APT RESEARCH

Market Capitalization is pegged at the end of the week at N22.297tn, a 1.07% increase from where the market capitalization stood at the end of the previous week as investors earned N237bn in the week. We continue to maintain a bullish outlook on the market going into a new year, but advise investors to trade cautiously as we enter the last full year preceding the general elections in the country.

INDICES	CURRENT	PREVIOUS	WOW %CHG
ASI	42,716.44	42,262.85	1.07%
NGX30	1,722.30	1,700.61	1.28%
NGX CG	1,278.00	1,240.77	3.00%
NGX BNK	406.07	395.76	2.61%
NGX INS	198.11	194.46	1.88%
NGXCNSMRGDS	589.28	554.68	6.24%
NGXOILGAS	345.01	348.81	-1.09%
NGXLOTUSISLM	3,009.51	2,918.93	3.10%
NGXINDUSTR	2,008.30	2,090.00	-3.91%
NGX GROWTH	1,269.66	1,201.61	5.66%
NGXASEM	670.65	670.65	0.00%

SOURCE: NGX EXCHANGE, APT RESEARCH

Most sectorial indices closed on a positive note, mirroring the outing of the ASI, save for the Industrial and Oil&Gas Indices that shed 3.91% and 1.09% respectively as the Consumer Goods Index gained 6.24% to become the best performing index in the week.



SOURCE: NGX EXCHANGE, APT RESEARCH

Market activity as measured by volume and value of trades inclined in the week with a total turnover of 995mn shares valued at N13.209bn, traded in 10,264 deals. This is in contrast to the 965mn units of shares valued at N12.455bn that were traded in 14,802 deals in the previous week.

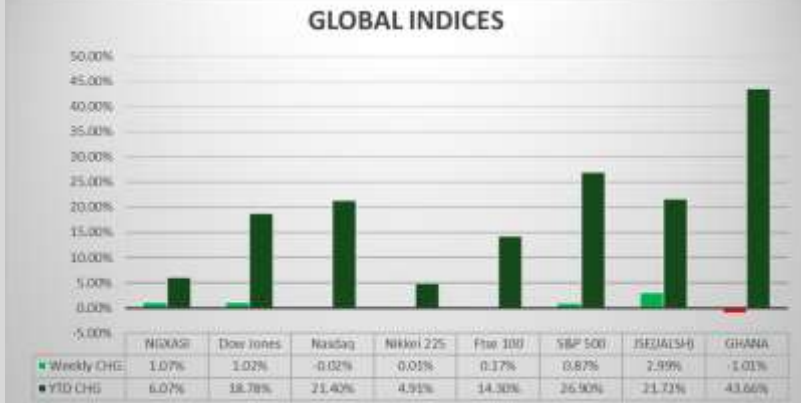
MARKET ACTIVITY	PRESENT	PREVIOUS	WoW %CHG
VOLUME	995,360,635	965,061,278	3.14%
VALUE	13,208,883,258	12,454,953,709	6.05%
DEALS	10,264	14,802	-30.66%

SOURCE: NGX EXCHANGE, APT RESEARCH

TOP GAINERS	OPEN	CLOSE	%CHG	TOP LOSERS	OPEN	CLOSE	%CHG
NEM	2.42	4.50	85.95%	MAYBAKER	4.51	4.02	-10.86%
REGALINS	0.43	0.51	18.60%	BUACEMENT	74.50	67.05	-10.00%
SOVRENINS	0.26	0.30	15.38%	JAIZ	0.62	0.56	-9.68%
WAPIC	0.49	0.56	14.29%	PZ	6.70	6.10	-8.96%
ROYALEX	0.77	0.88	14.29%	WEMABANK	0.77	0.72	-6.49%
CHIPLC	0.70	0.79	12.86%	ETERNA	5.30	5.05	-4.72%
UNITYBNK	0.48	0.54	12.50%	OANDO	4.60	4.42	-3.91%
UPDCREIT	4.00	4.45	11.25%	CHAMPION	2.44	2.35	-3.69%
NAHCO	3.40	3.74	10.00%	TRANSCORP	0.99	0.96	-3.03%
NESTLE	1415.00	1556.50	10.00%	ARDOVA	13.40	13.00	-2.99%

Thirty-seven stocks appreciated at the end of the week in view, higher than the thirty-three stocks that appreciated in the previous week. NEM gained 85.95% in the week to lead the pack as the best performing stock following the completion of its two-for-one share reconstruction. MAYBAKER shed 10.86% to become the worst performing stock as twenty-one stocks depreciated in price during the week. This is lower than the twenty-five stocks that depreciated in price in the previous week.

The Securities and Exchange Commission granted an approval for the mandatory takeover offer (MTO) of the shares of Champion Breweries Plc by The Raysun Nigeria Limited at N2.60kobo per share.



SOURCE: APT RESEARCH

Most indices across the APT Major Global Indices tracking board gained weight in the week, save for the GSE-CI and NASDAQ that were down 1.01% and 0.02% respectively. The JSE All Share Index gained 2.99% in the week to register as the best-performing index.

NASD-OTC MARKET:

It was a three trading sessions week on the NASD-OTC market as well as the market starts trading on Wednesday in line with the two-day public holiday declared by the Federal Government of Nigeria. The NASD-OTC market started the week on a positive note, shedding weight in only the last session of the week. Consequently, the NASD Security Index closed the week on a bullish note, gaining 1.09% in the week to stand at 742.85bps as opposed to the 734.82bps it closed the previous week.

NASD-OTC MARKET SNAPSHOT			
SYMBOL	CURRENT	PREVIOUS	%CHG
NSI	742.85	734.82	1.09%
MKT. CAPITALIZATION (BN)	629.03	622.23	1.09%
VOLUME TRADED	99,565,221	26,460,160	276.28%
VALUE TRADED (N)	1,939,435,369.13	650,922,103.43	197.95%
DEALS EXECUTED	29	32	-9.38%

SOURCE: NASD, APT RESEARCH



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Market capitalization was also up by 1.09%, representing a N6.80bn increase. This pegged the market capitalization of the NASD-OTC market at N629.03bn from the N622.23bn it stood at the end of the previous week.

Market activity as measured by both volume and value of trades inclined in the week under review, as 99.565mn units of shares valued at N1.939bn in 29 deals were traded in the week. This is in contrast to the 26.460mn units of shares traded in 32 deals in the previous week, valued at N0.651bn.

TOP GAINERS	OPEN	CLOSE	%CHG	TOP LOSERS	OPEN	CLOSE	%CHG
SDUBNPROP	1.05	1.15	9.52%	SDNDEP	235.54	235.50	-0.02%
SDCSCSPLC	17.00	18.25	7.38%				

There are two gainers in the week as against one loser for the week. SDUBNPROP gained 9.52% to become the best performing stock in the week. While SDNDEP sheds 0.02% to become the worst performing stock in the week.

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