

World Markets

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	Index	Value at close	Day on Day	YTD	YTD(Rs)
	MSCI All Country World	1,071.99	-0.26%	5.65%	5.34%
US	S&P 500	7,109.14	-0.24%	3.85%	3.54%
	DOW JONES	49,442.56	-0.01%	2.87%	2.56%
	NASDAQ	24,404.39	-0.26%	5.00%	4.69%
	STOXX 600	621.46	-0.82%	4.94%	5.55%
Europe	CAC 40	8,331.05	-1.12%	2.23%	2.82%
	DAX	24,417.80	-1.15%	-0.30%	0.28%
	FTSE 100	10,609.08	-0.55%	6.82%	7.31%
Asia	NIKKEI 225	58,824.89	0.60%	16.86%	15.41%
	HANG SENG	26,361.07	0.77%	2.85%	2.51%
	CSI 300	4,757.44	0.61%	2.75%	4.86%
	SENSEX	78,520.30	0.03%	-7.86%	-11.03%
Mauritius	SEMDEX	2,249.98	0.01%	-5.53%	-5.53%
	SEM-10	426.15	0.06%	-4.31%	-4.31%
	SEMTRI	10,744.04	0.01%	-5.13%	-5.13%
	DEMEX	216.08	0.06%	-3.84%	-3.84%
Commodities	Bloomberg Commodity	132.97	1.13%	21.22%	20.86%
	WTI Crude Oil	89.61	6.87%	56.06%	55.59%
	Gold	4,820.66	-0.20%	11.61%	11.27%
	Silver	79.73	-1.44%	11.25%	10.92%

Country	Central Bank	Policy Rate	Govt Yields	
			2 Yr	10 Yr
US	FED	3.50%- 3.75%	3.72%	4.25%
UK	BOE	3.75%	4.19%	4.83%
Europe	ECB	2.00%	2.46%	2.98%
Japan	BOJ	0.75%	1.36%	2.39%
Mauritius	BOM	4.50%	4.60%	5.54%

Currency*	Value Today	Day on Day	YTD
USD/MUR	46.36	-0.11%	-0.30%
GBP/MUR	62.70	-0.01%	0.46%
EUR/MUR	54.61	0.05%	0.58%
AUD/MUR	34.58	0.06%	7.11%
ZAR/MUR	2.93	0.00%	0.69%
GBP/USD	1.35	0.14%	0.45%
EUR/USD	1.18	0.20%	0.36%
AUD/USD	0.72	0.06%	7.57%
USD/JPY	158.81	0.11%	1.34%
USD/CNY	6.82	-0.01%	-2.44%

*Foreign Currency Rates against the Mauritian Rupee are MCB's mid-rates. For transactions purposes, kindly contact your Private Banker.

Weekly Events Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	US Retail Sales UK Unemployment	Japan Balance of Trade UK Inflation Rate Mauritius CPI	US PMI UK PMI	Japan Inflation Rate

World News

US

- Tim Cook will step down as Apple's chief executive in September, handing over to hardware chief John Ternus in a pivotal transition for one of the world's biggest tech groups. Cook will become chair of Apple's board of directors after a 15-year run leading the iPhone maker since he took over from founder Steve Jobs, the company announced on Monday. Ternus, a 25-year Apple veteran who will be only its third CEO in the past 30 years, takes the helm at a challenging time for the company as it faces unprecedented political pressure from the Trump administration to shift manufacturing to the US. [\(Source\)](#)
- The refund system set up to allow companies to recover illegally collected tariffs from the US government went live on Monday as thousands of companies rushed to file claims. The US Supreme Court in February struck down the tariffs President Donald Trump pursued under a law meant for use in national emergencies. In court filings, Customs officials said as of April 9, some 56,497 importers had completed the necessary steps to receive electronic refunds, an amount totaling USD 127bn, or more than three-quarters of the total eligible to be refunded. [\(Source\)](#)

Europe

- Romania was thrown into fresh political turbulence as the largest ruling party withdrew backing for Prime Minister Ilie Bolojan, whose fragile coalition government may now be on the verge of falling apart. The Social Democrats said the vast majority of their party's members voted in favor of the move in an internal poll on Monday evening that came after months of criticism of the premier's austerity drive and management of the four-way alliance. Losing the support of the Social Democrats would leave Bolojan without a parliamentary majority, forcing him to choose between pushing on with a minority government, moving into the opposition or backing another candidate for premier to restore the alliance. [\(Source\)](#)
- German industry is expected to stagnate at best in 2026, the BDI industry association said on Monday, warning that higher energy costs, supply chain risks and domestic structural weaknesses were piling pressure on Europe's largest economy. Germany's manufacturing sector could even contract for a fifth straight year if shipping disruptions persist, the association said. Industrial output remains well below earlier levels and capacity utilisation is only a little above 78%, Leibinger added. [\(Source\)](#)

Asia & Emerging

- Japan has unveiled its biggest overhaul of defence export rules in decades, a move aimed at strengthening the country's defence industrial base. The revision approved by Prime Minister Takaichi's government removes five export categories that had limited most military exports to rescue, transport, warning, surveillance and mine-sweeping equipment. According to insiders, countries ranging from Poland to the Philippines are exploring procurement opportunities as they modernise their forces. One of the first deals could be the export of used warships to Manila [\(Source\)](#)
- Victory Giant Technology, a Chinese circuit board maker, surged 60% in its Hong Kong debut after raising HK\$20.1 billion. The company upsized its offering to 95.85 million shares, with retail demand 431 times subscribed and international investors covering the deal 18.5 times. Nearly 75% of proceeds will fund production expansion in China. The strong listing highlights resilient investor demand for large Hong Kong IPOs, especially AI related firms, despite heightened global market volatility linked to the U.S.–Israeli conflict with Iran. [\(Source\)](#)

Others

- Private renewable-energy investments in Africa are set to accelerate as the Iran war drives nations to try and cut their dependence on imported oil and gas. More funds are also likely to flow to businesses that are less dependent on importation of raw materials, African Private Capital Association Chief Executive Officer Abi Mustapha-Maduakor said in an interview. [\(Source\)](#)

Local News

- The SEMDEX edged up by 0.01% to close at 2,249.98. MCBG increased to MUR 418.00 (+0.1%) with MUR 14.49m traded, while CIM eased to MUR 15.80 (-0.3%). Medine declined to MUR 54.00 (-0.9%), Alteo slipped to MUR 11.25 (-0.4%), while IBL rose to MUR 26.65 (+0.4%). In the hotel segment, NMH advanced to MUR 13.40 (+0.8%).

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