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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

# RUPEE HITS NEW ALL-TIME LOWS AS RBI GIVES UP DEFENCE OF 88.80



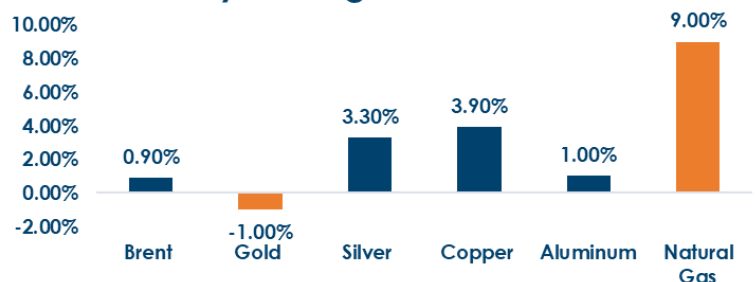
### Weekly Developments:

- RBI cut the repo rate by 25 bps to 5.25% (unanimous vote); stance maintained as neutral.
- One MPC member voted to shift stance to accommodative.
- OMO purchase of ₹1 lakh crore announced for December to inject liquidity.
- USD 5 bn Buy-Sell swap (3-year tenor) scheduled for December, adding ₹45,000 crore liquidity.
- Growth remains RBI's priority amid benign headline and core inflation.
- The buy-sell swap indicates that the RBI is offsetting spot USD sales used earlier to curb rupee depreciation.
- Ample liquidity is expected to aid policy transmission.
- Upcoming focus: US Fed policy; 25 bps rate cut widely expected.

### Commodities

- Major commodities saw mixed movement this week, with Brent (+0.9%), natural gas (+9%), aluminium (+1%), copper (+3.9%), and silver (+3.3%) gaining, while gold dipped (-1%).
- Silver and Copper continue to rally. Weak Dollar and Fed cut expectations are helping the commodity complex.

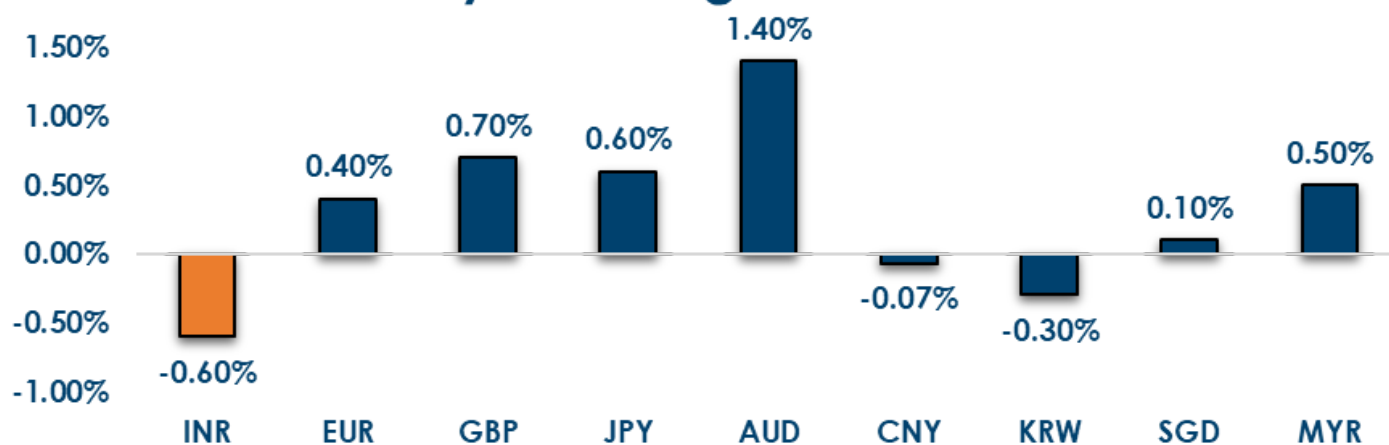
### Weekly Change in Commodities



## Foreign Exchange

- Most G10 currencies strengthened against the dollar this week, led by AUD (+1.4%), CAD (+1.2%), and NZD (+0.7%). European currencies saw modest gains, with GBP (+0.7%), JPY (+0.6%), SEK (+0.5%), EUR/DKK (+0.4%), and NOK (+0.2%) inching higher. CHF (-0.1%) was the only laggard, posting a slight decline.
- The Euro's modest 0.4% gain reflects a softer USD backdrop, but lingering Eurozone growth concerns continue to cap upside
- Sterling's 0.7% rise signals resilient UK data and improving risk sentiment, keeping GBP supported against broad USD weakness.
- Asian currencies were mixed this week, with MYR, TWD, and THB leading gains at +0.5%, followed by modest upticks in IDR and SGD (+0.1%). CNH and HKD were flat, while KRW (-0.3%), PHP (-0.5%), and INR (-0.6%) underperformed, with the Indian rupee emerging as the weakest in the region.
- Rupee continued to underperform its Asian peers and breached the psychological level of 90 to hit all time lows of 90.42 against the Dollar this week.
- Rupee traded a 89.46-90.42 range this week and ended at 89.99
- The RBI seems to be following a light touch intervention approach instead of a 'line in the sand' kind of heavy handed approach.
- The implied yield curve shows a mild downward bias in the near term, with 1-12 month forwards easing from 2.90% to 2.47%. However, beyond one year, the curve turns upward, with yields rising steadily to 3.30% at the 5-year point.
- Near term forwards rose on Dollar glut while far forwards came off on Buy-Sell swap announcement. 3y forward yield dropped 16bps on Friday as a result of swap announcement
- 3m ATM implied volatility continues to remain relatively well behaved at

### Weekly % change in Currencies



## Fixed Income

US 2y and 10y yields rose 3bps and 5bps respectively this week to 3.56% and 4.13%

10y yields across the Eurozone rose 2-4bps this week

10y JGB yield rose 8bps to 1.93%

Yield on the benchmark 10y traded a 6.45-6.54% range and ended at 6.50%, just 1bp lower than last week's close. The 5 bps initial drop post-OMO announcement quickly faded.

RBI said that it would not buy SDLs as part of OMO purchases.

1y OIS dropped 3bps to 5.43% while 5y OIS rose 3bps this week to 5.79%. Banking system liquidity is in surplus of more than Rs 2 lakh crs.

10y AAA PSU Spread over Gsec is 50bps and that of 10y NBFC is 85bps.

## Option Structures for Exporter Importer

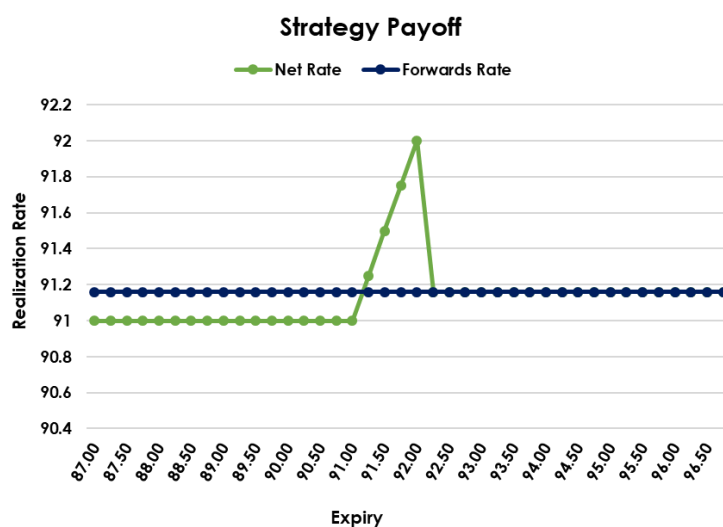
### IMPORT SEAGULL

Spot ref 90.00  
Tenor 3m  
Buy call Atmf (90.57)  
Sell put 89.60  
Sell call 92.00  
Net cost 10 ps



### EXPORTER ENHANCED COLLAR

Spot ref 90  
Tenor 6m  
Fwd level 91.16  
Buy put 91  
Sell call 91.16 with eki at 92.20  
Net zero cost



## Our Views: What we like?

### FX

We believe the Fed policy will be the last major trigger for the year. After that, the liquidity will start thinning out till year-end. The dollar is likely to continue trading with a weakening bias against majors. We expect the Rupee to consolidate in the 89.40-90.40 range for some time. The momentum on the upside is likely to reduce.

### Fixed Income

Yield on the benchmark 10y is likely to continue trading in the 6.45-6.60% range. 10y SDLs and NBFC papers are offering attractive yield pick up. 5y OIS is likely to trade a 5.65-5.85% range broadly, with moves to either side giving a good trading opportunity.

### Commodities

We expect base metals to continue to rally on a weaker Dollar and amid positive risk sentiment. Gold may see some profit-taking, while momentum in Silver will likely push it higher to new all-time highs. Brent is likely to trade sideways in the USD 58.5-65.5 per barrel range.

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