

Week ending June 16, 2023

## JA\$ FIXED INCOME

- The JA\$ Fixed income market traded with low levels of liquidity conditions during the week.
- The BOJ auctioned its weekly 30-day CD offering \$23 Billion to the market. The issue was over-subscribed which resulted in a Weighted Average Yield of 9.40% which is a 10bps increase over last week's auction.
- The market is expected to trade with moderate levels of liquidity next week.

See closing repo rates below:

Tenor	Current Rate %
Overnight	7.50 - 8.00
30 days	8.15 - 8.35
90 days	8.50 - 8.65
180 days	8.75 - 8.95
365 days	9.00 - 9.15

## US\$ FIXED INCOME

The US\$ Fixed income market continues to trade with fair liquidity conditions over the week. Demand for long term funding remains relatively strong while the supply of short-term funds is readily available from brokers. Liquidity is expected to remain stable in the near term.

Tenor	Current Rate %
Overnight	2.75 - 3.00
30 days	4.85 - 5.00
90 days	5.25 - 5.50
180 days	5.65 - 5.75
365 days	5.85 - 5.95

## JA\$ Treasury-Bill Weighted Average Yields

Instrument	90 Day Treasury Bill	180 Day Treasury Bill	270 Day Treasury Bill
Last Auction	June 7, 2023	June 7, 2023	May 10, 2023
Current Yield	7.86%	7.89%	8.00%
Previous Yield	7.82%	7.97%	8.36%
Net Change	0.04%	-0.09%	-0.36%
Next Auction	July 12, 2023	July 12, 2023	TBA

(Source: Bank of Jamaica)

## GLOBAL BOND MARKET

- El Salvador's Government presented a proposal to congress to issue US\$1b of new debt to pay off short-term maturities, La Prensa Grafica reports, citing comments by Finance Minister Alejandro Zelaya. Debt could be issued in local, regional or global markets.
- US Federal Reserve officials paused their series of interest-rate hikes but projected borrowing costs will go higher than previously expected, owing to what Chair Jerome Powell called surprisingly persistent inflation and labor-market strength.
- The Bahamas is tapping Rothschild & Co to advise on a potential debt-for-nature swap, according to a person familiar with the matter, as the deals gain traction across emerging markets. The Caribbean island nation plans to use proceeds of the transaction to improve its debt profile and bolster action to protect its oceans, said the person, who asked not to be identified because the discussions are private.
- China's central bank surprised most economists and market participants by cutting a short-term policy interest rate, a sign that officials are increasingly concerned about faltering growth and are stepping up stimulus to boost the recovery.

(Source: Bloomberg)

## FX MARKET

- The foreign exchange market traded with low to moderate demand over the week amidst moderate supply.
- There was no intervention from the Bank of Jamaica (BOJ)
- At the end of trading, Friday June 16, 2023, the Jamaican dollar was valued at \$155.12 against the US\$ which represents an approximately \$0.22 appreciation in the value of the JA\$ for the week.

	Weighted Avg. Sell Rates						Weekly Change (\$)
	9-Jun-23	12-Jun-23	13-Jun-23	14-Jun-23	15-Jun-23	16-Jun-23	
USD	155.3457	155.2027	155.3456	155.3866	155.2839	155.1216	0.2241
CAD	116.6416	116.0814	115.3755	116.6263	117.4945	117.4481	(0.8065)
GBP	195.3243	195.5199	193.8809	194.8336	196.5628	199.6166	(4.2923)
EUR	169.5187	167.0637	168.9142	170.1741	169.1568	172.0777	(2.5590)

(Source: Bank of Jamaica)

## REGIONAL EQUITY MARKETS

### JAMAICA

Weekly Market activity resulted from trading in 125 stocks of which 51 advanced, 61 declined and 13 traded firm.

The Market volume amounted 172,214,225 units valued at over J\$1,641,291,236.75.

The market volume leaders are TransJamaica Highway Limited with 43,717,589 units (24.88%), followed by Wigton Windfarm Limited with 23,165,193 units (13.18%) and Kingston Wharves with 17,773,757 units (10.12%).

The US\$ market volume (excluding blocks) amounted to 3,494,956 units valued at over US\$112,128.61.

#### The following reflect the movement of the JSE Indices:

- The JSE Index declined by 4,803.74 points (1.47%) to close at 322,530.46.
- The Junior Market Index advanced by 81.75 points (2.15%) to close at 3,887.79.
- The JSE Combined Index declined by 3,734.04 points (1.10%) to close at 336,531.40.
- The JSE All Jamaican Composite Index declined by 1,168.60 points (0.32%) to close at 360,434.51.
- The JSE Select Index advanced by 0.32 points (0.00%) to close at 7,972.13.
- The JSE USD Equities Index advanced by 2.66 points (1.11%) to close at 242.16.
- The JSE Cross Listed Index declined by 3.97 points (6.35%) to close at 58.59.
- The JSE Financial Index declined by 0.32 points (0.44%) to close at 72.89.
- The JSE Manufacturing & Distribution Index declined by 2.67 points (2.70%) to close at 96.11.

(Source: Jamaica Stock Exchange)

### TRINIDAD

Weekly Market activity resulted from trading 26 securities of which 8 advanced, 10 declined and 8 traded firm.

The Market volume amounted to 2,048,922 shares crossing the floor of the Exchange valued at TT\$11.780 million.

The volume leaders are NCB Financial Group Limited with 1,269,494 shares (61.96%), followed by Massy Holdings Limited with 247,890 shares (12.10%) and National Enterprises Limited with 132,351 shares (6.46%).

#### The following reflect the movement of the TTSE Indices: -

- The COMPOSITE Index declined by 5.52 points (0.45%) to close at 1,227.05.
- The ALL T&T Index advanced by 2.09 points (0.11%) to close at 1,893.56.
- The CROSS-LISTED Index declined by 1.91 points (2.59%) to close at 71.90.
- The SME Index declined by 0.93 points (1.31%) to close at 70.01.

(Source: Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange)

### BARBADOS

This week, the Regular Market traded a total volume of 10,712 shares. The two securities traded were Goddard Enterprises Limited with 9,376 (87.53%) and FirstCaribbean International Bank with 1,336 shares (12.47%).

#### The BSE Indices ending June 16, 2023

INDICES	TODAY'S TRADING	LAST TRADING	CHANGES	% Change
	16-Jun-23	9-Jun-23		
Local	2,545.92	2,548.54	-2.62	-0.103%
Cross-list	803.79	803.79	0.00	0.000%
Composite	617.53	618.15	-0.62	-0.100%

(Source: Barbados Stock Exchange)

## REGIONAL EQUITY MARKETS

- Image Plus Consultants Limited (IPCL) has advised that the Company has entered into an agreement to acquire a 0.73-acre property in Kingston 5, Jamaica. This acquisition will enable the Company to construct a multilevel facility, which will serve as the future home for its current 3a Winchester Road branch.
- INDIES Pharma has advised that its ANDA (abbreviated new drug application) for Regadenoson Injection, 0.4 mg/5 mL (0.08 mg/mL), dated January 25, 2023, was submitted under section 505(j) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act) at the U.S. Food & Drug Administration ("FDA"). The Company has received an Agency's letter titled 'PARAGRAPH IV ACKNOWLEDGEMENT ANDA RECEIPT' dated February 28, 2023.
- Caribbean Producers Jamaica Ltd (CPJ) has advised that its Board of Directors has approved plans for a U\$1M solar expansion project, with installation to commence in Q1 of FY2024. The Board has also approved a U\$2.3M plan for the modernization of the Meat Processing Plant, with work to commence in Q1 of 2024. Off-shore, CPJ will be expanding its Operation in St. Lucia with a new store, final plans are being put in place with Operations to begin in Q2 of FY2024.
- Caribbean Assurance Brokers (CAB) has advised that the Board has passed a resolution declaring a dividend payment of \$0.0267 per share for stockholders. The payment date is October 26, 2023, and the record date is September 15, 2023. The ex-dividend date is September 14, 2023.
- Regency Petroleum Ltd (RPL) has advised that its Annual General Meeting will be held on September 11, 2023, at 3:30 p.m. at Terra Nova All Suite Hotel, 17 Waterloo Road Kingston and electronically via an online platform which can be accessed via the Company's website at [www.rplgas.com](http://www.rplgas.com).

### JSE Top Gainers and Decliners for the week:

Symbol	Close Price (\$)	Change (\$)	%	Symbol	Close Price (\$)	Change (\$)	%
SELECTMD	0.68	0.12	21.43%	JPS7 (PREF.)	48.25	(12.23)	-20.22%
SOS	19.85	3.4900	21.33%	JMMBGL7.00NC (PRI	2.00	(0.49)	-19.68%
KREMI	3.99	0.6400	19.10%	ISP	22.15	(4.31)	-16.29%

(Source: Jamaica Stock Exchange)

## Non-GOJ Global Bond Indicative Prices

Bond	Coupon	Size (US\$M)	Bloomberg Composite Rating	Buyback Price	Sale Price	Indicative Offer Yield
Chicago Board of Education US\$ Bond 6.319% 11/01/2029	6.319%	257.125	BB	95.85	101.85	5.97%
Credito Real SAB De CV 9.50% 02/07/2026	9.500%	400.000	NR	12.50	14.50	120.01%
Digicel Group 0.5 Ltd 8.00% 04/01/2025	8.000%	438.053	C+	40.41	47.77	56.01%
Digicel Group Ltd 7.125% 04/01/2022	7.125%	21.004	NR	0.62	3.56	200.37%
Digicel Group Two Ltd 8.25% 09/30/2022	8.250%	27.166	NR	2.21	7.98	103.45%
Digicel Group Two Ltd 9.125% 04/01/2024	9.125%	7.817	NR	0.71	5.97	1005.27%
Genworth Holdings Inc 6.50% 06/15/2034	6.500%	287.493	BB	84.10	92.33	7.54%
Govt. of Aruba 4.625% 09/14/2023	4.625%	85.000	BBB-	97.75	100.16	3.94%
Govt. of Bahamas 5.75% 01/16/2024	5.750%	300.000	B+	92.40	99.78	6.13%
Govt. of Bahamas 6.00% 11/21/2028	6.000%	750.000	B+	73.91	80.23	11.90%
Govt. of Bahamas 6.95% 11/20/2029	6.950%	300.000	B+	72.56	80.21	11.36%
Govt. of Bahamas 8.95% 10/15/2032	8.950%	825.000	B+	79.26	85.60	11.50%
Govt. of Barbados 6.50% 10/01/2029	6.500%	530.584	B-	87.86	95.50	7.83%
Govt. of Costa Rica 4.375% 04/30/2025	4.375%	500.000	B+	94.79	100.46	4.12%
Govt. of Dominican Republic 5.875% 04/18/2024	5.875%	24.999	BB-	96.14	100.46	5.30%
Govt. of Dominican Republic 4.875% 09/23/2032	4.875%	3,066.000	BB-	83.39	88.57	6.54%
Govt. of Dominican Republic 5.875% 01/30/2060	5.875%	3,200.000	BB-	75.21	80.56	7.42%
Govt. of Panama 9.375% 04/01/2029	9.375%	951.425	BBB-	118.23	123.59	4.68%
Govt. of Trinidad 4.375% 01/16/2024	4.375%	550.000	BB+	96.48	101.43	1.94%
Govt. of Trinidad 4.5% 06/26/2030	4.500%	500.000	BB+	92.23	97.79	4.87%
Govt. of Venezuela 9.250% 05/07/2028	9.250%	2,000.000	NR	4.90	13.65	74.22%
Govt. of Venezuela 9.25% 09/15/2027	9.250%	4,000.000	NR	5.15	13.88	83.30%
National Gas Company 6.05% 01/15/2036	6.050%	400.000	BB+	89.52	95.04	6.64%
Petrobras Global Finance 4.75% 01/14/2025 Euro Denom	4.750%	271.945	BB-	96.72	101.40	3.81%
Petroleos De Venezuela SA 12.75% 02/17/2022	12.750%	3,000.000	NR	1.00	5.89	216.43%
Petroleos De Venezuela SA 5.375% 04/12/2027	5.375%	3,000.000	NR	1.00	4.93	
Petroleos De Venezuela SA 9.75% 05/17/2035	9.750%	3,000.000	NR	0.40	5.84	113.77%
Sagcor Financial Co. 5.30% 05/13/2028	5.300%	550.000	BB	92.14	97.75	5.83%
Telecom Services TT 8.875% 10/18/2029	8.875%	300.000	B	77.04	82.77	13.71%
Trinidad Generation Unlimited 5.25% 11/04/2027	5.250%	600.000	BB	94.27	99.85	5.30%
Trinidad Petroleum Holdings Ltd. 9.00% 08/12/2029	9.000%	500.000	BB-	101.45	106.45	7.08%
Unicomer 7.875% 04/01/2024	7.875%	350.000	BB-	96.44	100.66	-0.94%

## GOJ Global Bond Indicative Prices

BOND	CURRENCY	SIZE (M)	COUPON	BID	OFFER	Offer Yield
GOJ 2025	USD	381.176	7.625%	99.30	105.05	2.768%
GOJ 2025	USD	85.225	9.250%	103.75	109.75	4.80%
GOJ 2028	USD	1421.447	6.750%	102.10	107.35	4.65%
GOJ 2036	USD	250.000	8.500%	115.00	122.50	5.95%
GOJ 2039	USD	1243.238	8.000%	116.00	122.50	5.72%
GOJ 2045	USD	1815.000	7.875%	112.05	118.55	6.31%
AIRJAM 2027	USD	53.571	8.125%	97.50	103.50	6.19%
NROCC 2024	USD	294.180	9.375%	99.50	104.70	4.02%