



Malawi Stock Exchange (MSE) trading activity

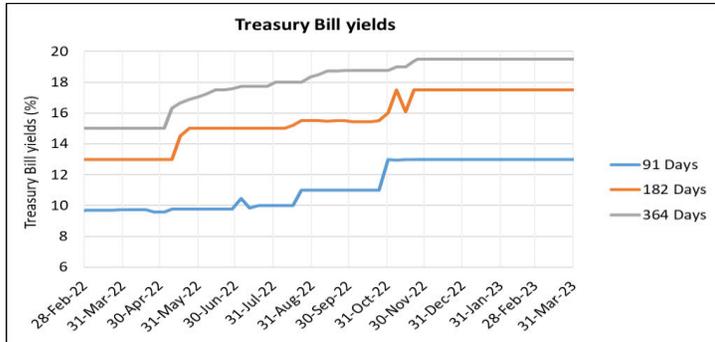
The Malawi All Share Index (MASI) registered a gain of 1.32% to close the week at 81,354.83 points from 80,298.12 points in the previous week due to share price gains in AIRTEL (0.13%), NBM (1.91%), NBS (11.31%), NICO (6.25%), NITL (12.49%), OMU (16.47%) and TNM (3.87%), which offset share price losses in FMBCH (-0.01%) and PCL (-0.005%). The market traded 4,564,571 shares at a consideration of K357.05m in 164 trades compared to 5,863,909 shares traded at a consideration of K372.93m in 153 trades in the previous week. The year-to-date return on MASI stands at 29.44% compared to 1.22% for the same period in 2022 (Source: MSE).

Dividends announced

Company	Dividend type	Dividend (K/share)	Last day to trade	Last day to register	Payable
NBM	2nd Interim declared	21.42	14-Mar-23	17-Mar-23	6-Apr-23
OMU	Final proposed	28.91	11-Apr-23	14-Apr-23	17-Apr-23
NBS	2nd Interim declared	1.55	18-Apr-23	21-Apr-23	5-May-23
Standard	Final proposed	51.14	TBA	TBA	TBA
FDHB	Final proposed	0.58	TBA	TBA	TBA
NITL	Final proposed	2.35	TBA	TBA	TBA

Government securities

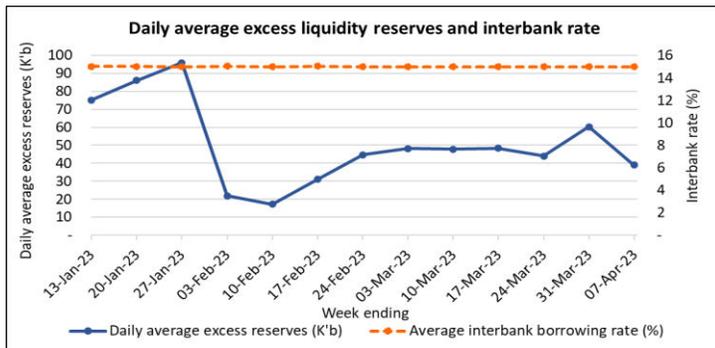
Government raised K15.89b during the week's auction for Treasury Bills (TBs) compared to K63.74b raised in the previous week. The auction registered a rejection rate of 2.94% on the submitted bids. The average TB yield marginally decreased to 16.6655% during the week from 16.6667% in the previous week due to a decrease in the 91-day yield to 12.9964% from 13.0000%. The 182-day and 364-day yields were constant at 17.5000% and 19.5000%, respectively (Source: RBM).



Maturities of Government securities for the week amounted to K11.77b. There was outright purchase of securities by the RBM that amounted to K9.37b and access to the rediscounting standing facility that amounted to K14.45b. These transactions resulted in a net injection of K19.70b into the market compared to a net injection of K39.53b in the previous week (Source: RBM).

Market liquidity and interbank market activity

Average daily excess liquidity reserves decreased to K38.99b from K60.36b in the previous week. Daily average interbank borrowing increased to K26.35b from K25.12b in the previous week. The average interbank borrowing rate was stable at 15.00%. Borrowing on the Lombard facility increased to the average of K94.79b per day from K93.57b per day in the previous week (Source: RBM).



Foreign exchange market developments

During the week, the Kwacha marginally depreciated against USD by 0.19% to trade at K1035.7373 per USD as at 6th April 2023 from K1033.8003 per USD as at 31st March 2023. The Kwacha also depreciated against GBP by 0.35% and EUR by 0.09% during the period. It, however, appreciated against ZAR by 2.17%. Gross official foreign exchange reserves stood at USD280.66m (1.12 months import cover) on 28th February 2023 compared to USD279.22m (1.12 months import cover) on 31st January 2023. The recommended minimum import cover is 3 months. The Tobacco Commission announced that the 2023 tobacco marketing season will open on 12th April at Lilongwe Floors.

Stock market				
	06-Apr-23	% Δ		31-Mar-23
MASI	81,354.83	1.32%	↑	80,298.12
DSI	65,813.39	1.43%	↑	64,886.76
FSI	8,399.21	0.21%	↑	8,381.79
Traded volume	4,564,571	-22.16%	↓	5,863,909
Number of trades	164	7.19%	↑	153
Value of shares traded (K'm)	357.05	-4.26%	↓	372.93
Market capitalisation (K'm)	4,389,161.48	1.34%	↑	4,331,205.28
Gainers				
	Closing price (K)	% Δ		Opening price (K)
AIRTEL	75.11	0.13%	↑	75.01
NBM	1800.01	1.91%	↑	1766.29
NBS	70.00	11.31%	↑	62.89
NICO	144.50	6.25%	↑	136.00
NITL	225.00	12.49%	↑	200.01
OMU	1025.00	16.47%	↑	880.04
TNM	16.10	3.87%	↑	15.50
Losers				
	Closing price (K)	% Δ		Opening price (K)
FMBCH	166.97	-0.01%	↓	166.98
PCL	2,181.29	-0.0005%	↓	2,181.30
Treasury Bill auctions				
Auction date	4-Apr-23	% pts Δ		28, 30 & 31 March 2023
Amount offered - cost value (K'm)	17,847.00	0.00%	→	17,847.00
Applied - cost value (K'm)	16,372.92	-74.32%	↓	63,751.71
Allotted - cost value (K'm)	15,890.95	-75.07%	↓	63,743.37
Overall rejection rate	2.94%	2.93	↓	0.01%
91 days yield	12.9964%	-0.0036%	↓	13.0000%
182 days yield	17.5000%	0.0000%	→	17.5000%
364 days yield	19.5000%	0.0000%	→	19.5000%
All-time yield	16.6655%	-0.0012%	↓	16.6667%
Treasury Note and Bond auctions				
Auction date	28, 29, 30 & 31 March 2023			21-Mar-23
Tenors	2,3,5,7 & 10 years			13 & 14 March 2023
Coupon rate	10.00%, 11.00%, 12.50%, 13.50% & 15.00%			2 years
Amount offered - cost value (K'b)	80.56			5 years
Total applied - cost value (K'b)	80.56			10 years
Total allotted - cost value (K'b)	80.56			10.00%
Allotted - weighted average ytm	22.75%, 24.00%, 26.25%, 27.50% & 28.50%			61.64
Current yields for Treasury Notes and Bonds				
Tenor	Last auction's yield	Last auction		Next auction
2-year TN	22.75%	31-Mar-23		TBA
3-year TN	24.00%	31-Mar-23		TBA
5-year TN	26.25%	31-Mar-23		TBA
5-year Development Bond	26.00%	29-Nov-22		TBA
7-year TN	27.50%	31-Mar-23		TBA
7-year Development Bond	27.50%	28-Feb-23		TBA
10-year TN	28.50%	31-Mar-23		TBA
10-year Development Bond	23.35%	26-Apr-22		TBA
Projected maturities				
Week ending	7-Apr-23			14-Apr-23
TBs, PNs & TNs (K'm)	11,768			40,450
OMO repos (K'm)	0			0
OMO reverse repos (K'm)	0			0
Reference rate				
Rate	Apr-23	% pts Δ		Mar-23
	17.30%	0.00	→	17.30%
Inflation rate				
Rate	Feb-23	% pts Δ		Jan-23
	26.7%	0.8	↑	25.9%
Closing TT mid exchange rates				
	6-Apr-23	% Δ		31-Mar-23
USD	1035.7373	0.19%	↓	1033.8002
GBP	1319.9618	0.35%	↓	1315.3298
EUR	1157.7472	0.09%	↓	1156.6584
ZAR	58.4639	-2.17%	↓	59.7596
Gross official foreign exchange reserves position				
	28-Feb-23			31-Jan-23
Reserves (USD'm)	280.66			279.22
Import cover (months)	1.12			1.12

Sources: MSE, RBM, NSO

Published annual financial results			
Company	2022 profit after tax (K'b)	Movement	2021 profit after tax (K'b)
Listed banks			
FDH Bank Plc	22,932	↑	11,659
NBS Bank Plc	18,905	↑	7,693
Standard Bank Plc	39,202	↑	24,769
unlisted banks			
CDH Investment Bank Ltd	7,534	↑	4,863
Listed non-bank companies			
Sunbird Tourism Plc	3,051	↑	0,749

Expected financial results for the year ended 31st December 2022			
Company	2022 expected profit after tax (K'b)	Expected 2021 profit after tax (K'b)	Movement
Listed banks			
FMB Capital Holdings Plc (US\$' million)	52.580	30%	40.446
National Bank of Malawi Plc	44.473	30%	34.210
Listed non-bank companies			
Blantyre Hotels Plc	(0.601)	↑	(0.752)
ICON Properties Plc	14.827	↑	8.722
Illovo Sugar Malawi Plc	32.000	↑	20.469
MPICO Plc	7.707	↑	6.423
NICO Holdings Plc	34.768	↑	18.299
Telekom Networks Malawi Plc	0.969	↓	9.690

Source: MSE

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