



Foreign exchange market developments

During the week, the Kwacha was generally stable against the USD, registering a marginal appreciation of 0.01%. The Kwacha also appreciated against the GBP, EUR and ZAR as indicated by TT middle exchange rates below (Source: RBM).

Closing TT middle exchange rates as at the end of the week			
Currency	13-Mar-26	% Δ	6-Mar-26
USD	1750.5570	↑ -0.01%	1750.7040
GBP	2402.1780	↑ -0.30%	2409.4683
EUR	2072.5398	↑ -0.95%	2092.4967
ZAR	106.3102	↑ -1.61%	108.0488

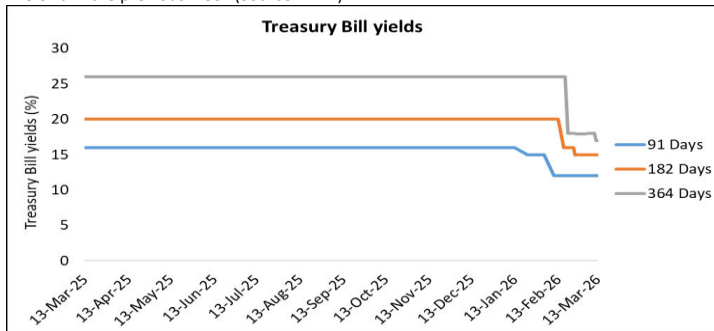
Data source: Reserve Bank of Malawi (RBM)

Government securities

During the week, the Government raised K142.93b from the auction of Treasury bills during which total applications amounted to K213,59b, representing a rejection rate of 33.08%. There were also auctions of a 2-year Treasury note, during which total applications amounted to K147.81b with successful bids amounting to K40.00m, resulting in a rejection rate of 99.97%.

The all-type TB yield averaged 14.83% during the week, decreasing from an average of 14.98% in the previous week due to a decrease in the 364-day TB yield.

Maturities of Government securities for the week amounted to K98.28b, resulting in a net withdrawal of K44.69b from the market during the week, compared to a net injection of K23.94b in the previous week (Source: RBM).



Treasury Bill auctions				
Auction date	10, 11, 12 & 13 Mar 2026	% pts Δ	2, 4 & 6 Mar 2026	
Applied - cost value (K'm)	213,587.50	↑ 254.46%	60,257.19	
Allotted - cost value (K'm)	142,927.91	↑ 373.55%	30,182.12	
Overall rejection rate	33.08%	↓ -16.83	49.91%	
91 days yield	12.0000%	→ 0.0000%	12.0000%	
182 days yield	15.0000%	→ 0.0000%	15.0000%	
364 days yield	17.5000%	↓ -0.4302%	17.9302%	
All-type yield	14.8333%	↓ -0.1434%	14.9767%	

Treasury Note and Bond auctions				
Auction dates	10, 11, 12 & 13 Mar 2026	6-Mar-26	23, 24, 26 & 27 Feb 2026	
Tenor	2-yr TN	2-yr TN	2-yr TN	
Coupon rate	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	
Amount offered - cost value (K'b)				
Total applied - cost value (K'b)	147.81	26.55	403.97	
Total allotted - cost value (K'b)	0.04	0.00	103.09	
Overall rejection rate	99.97%	100.00%	74.48%	
Allotted - weighted average ytm	18.75%		20.65%	

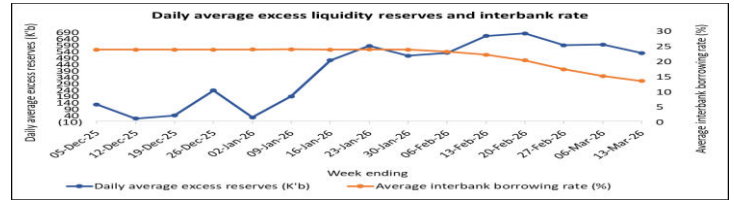
Current yields for Treasury Notes and Bonds			
Tenor	Last auction's yield	Last auction	Next auction
2-year TN	18.50%	13-Mar-26	TBA
2-year Development Bond	28.75%	05-Aug-25	TBA
3-year TN	30.00%	18-Dec-25	TBA
3-year Development Bond	30.00%	18-Nov-25	TBA
5-year TN	32.00%	18-Dec-25	TBA
5-year Development Bond	32.00%	02-Dec-25	TBA
7-year TN	34.00%	18-Dec-25	TBA
7-Year Development Bond	34.00%	07-Jan-25	TBA
10-year TN	35.00%	18-Dec-25	TBA
10-year Development Bond	35.00%	20-Jun-24	TBA

Projected maturities			
Week ending	13-Mar-26	20-Mar-26	27-Mar-26
TBs, PNs & TNs (K'm)	98,275	83,834	81,624
OMO repos (K'm)	0	0	0
OMO reverse repos (K'm)	0	2,625	9,138

Data source: RBM

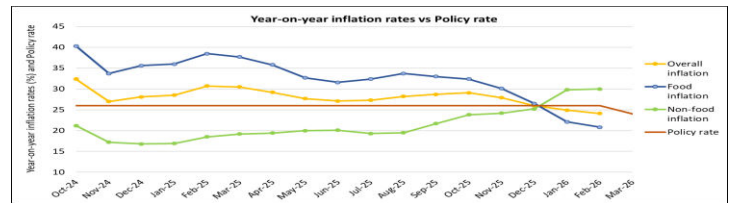
Market liquidity and interbank market activity

During the week, daily excess liquidity reserves averaged K531.16b, decreasing from an average of K597.64b in the previous week. The daily interbank borrowing amounted to K473.00b during the week, from K451.00b in the previous week. There was no borrowing on the Lombard facility during the week as was the case in the previous week. The average interbank borrowing rate decreased to 13.65% from 15.31% in the previous week. The Lombard rate remained fixed at 24.20% (Source: RBM).



Inflation

The year-on-year headline inflation rate decreased to 24.1% in February 2026 from 24.9% in January 2026 as food inflation rate decreased to 20.8% in February 2026 from 22.1% in January 2026 while non-food inflation rate increased to 30.0% in February 2026 from 29.8% in January 2026 (Source: NSO).



Policy Rate			
Rate	05-Mar-26	% pts Δ	30-Oct-25
	24.00%	↓ -2.00	26.00%
Market Reference Rate			
Rate	Mar-26	% pts Δ	Feb-26
	22.40%	↓ -2.30	24.70%
Inflation Rate			
Rate	Feb-26	% pts Δ	Jan-26
	24.10%	↓ -0.80	24.9%

Malawi Stock Exchange (MSE) trading activity

The Malawi All Share Index (MASI) registered a loss of -0.18% to close the week at 576,866.54 points from 577,889.15 points in the previous week. The market traded 4,626,397 shares at a consideration of K1.08b in 825 trades, compared to 4,891,159 shares traded at a consideration of K4.23b in 802 trades in the previous week. The year-to-date return on MASI stood at -3.54% as at the end of the week, compared to 70.12% during the same period in 2025 (Source: MSE).

Stock market trading activity					
	13-Mar-26	% Δ	06-Mar-26		
MASI	576,866.54	↓ -0.18%	577,889.15		
DSI	404,827.42	↓ -0.19%	405,611.47		
FSI	136,505.54	↓ -0.12%	136,667.52		
Traded volume	4,626,397	↓ -5.41%	4,891,159		
Number of trades	825	↑ 2.87%	802		
Value of shares traded (K'm)	1,081.48	↓ -74.40%	4,225.12		
Market capitalisation (K'm)	31,449,441.22	↓ -0.18%	31,505,191.60		
Gainers					
	Closing price (K)	% Δ	Opening price (K)	P/E ratio	P/BV ratio
ILOVO	2,948.42	↑ 0.002%	2,948.35	27.24	9.77
OMU	4,600.06	↑ 0.0002%	4,600.05	54.27	7.23
No movement					
	Closing price (K)	% Δ	Opening price (K)	P/E ratio	P/BV ratio
BHL	15.02	→ 0.00%	15.02	(64.44)	1.36
ICON	15.97	→ 0.00%	15.97	4.37	0.73
SUNBRD	1,955.03	→ 0.00%	1,955.03	48.13	7.31
Loser					
	Closing price (K)	% Δ	Opening price (K)	P/E ratio	P/BV ratio
NITFL	3,934.03	↓ -0.003%	3934.14	17.85	7.20
STANDARD	4,238.07	↓ -0.004%	4,238.26	40.86	14.26
FDHB	593.42	↓ -0.01%	593.49	55.29	42.04
PCL	7,823.00	↓ -0.01%	7,824.00	14.55	2.69
MPICO	19.46	↓ -0.05%	19.47	5.24	0.69
FMBCB	2,740.44	↓ -0.12%	2,743.76	56.97	20.47
NBS	855.76	↓ -0.18%	857.29	16.56	11.26
AIRTEL	113.46	↓ -0.18%	113.67	29.21	38.86
NICO	1,684.72	↓ -0.34%	1,690.49	24.40	11.29
NBM	11,406.12	↓ -0.58%	11,472.99	52.07	19.84
TNM	30.81	↓ -0.77%	31.05	35.35	6.86

Data source: MSE

Published annual financial results			
Company	2025 profit after tax (K'b)	Movement	2024 profit after tax (K'b)
Listed banks			
NBS Bank Plc	150,422	↑ 106%	72,991
Standard Bank Plc	121,698	↑ 41%	86,365

Source: MSE

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