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The Federal Reserve will likely need to raise interest rates more than expected in response to recent strong data and is prepared to move in larger steps if the "totality" of incoming information suggests tougher measures are needed to control inflation, Fed Chair Jerome Powell told U.S. lawmakers on Tuesday. "The latest economic data have come in stronger than expected, which suggests that the ultimate level of interest rates is likely to be higher than previously anticipated," Powell said in prepared remarks for a hearing before the Senate Banking Committee. U.S. stocks sold off, Treasury yields rose and the dollar extended a gain after Powell's comments, his first since inflation unexpectedly jumped in January and the U.S. government reported an unusually large increase in payroll jobs for that month.

**ECB survey sees moderating inflation, rising wage expectations**

Inflation expectations among euro zone consumers dropped in January but expectations for wage growth continued to rise, adding to fears wage growth will slow efforts to control prices, a European Central Bank survey showed on Tuesday. Overall inflation is now falling relatively quickly but underlying price pressures are continuing to build, in part driven by quick nominal wage growth in services, suggesting that price growth could remain far more stubborn than the ECB now expects. Inflation expectations for the next 12 months eased to 4.9% from 5.0% a month earlier while expectations three years out fell more sharply, to 2.5% from 3%, according to median estimates from around 14,000 consumers in six of the euro zone's biggest economies.

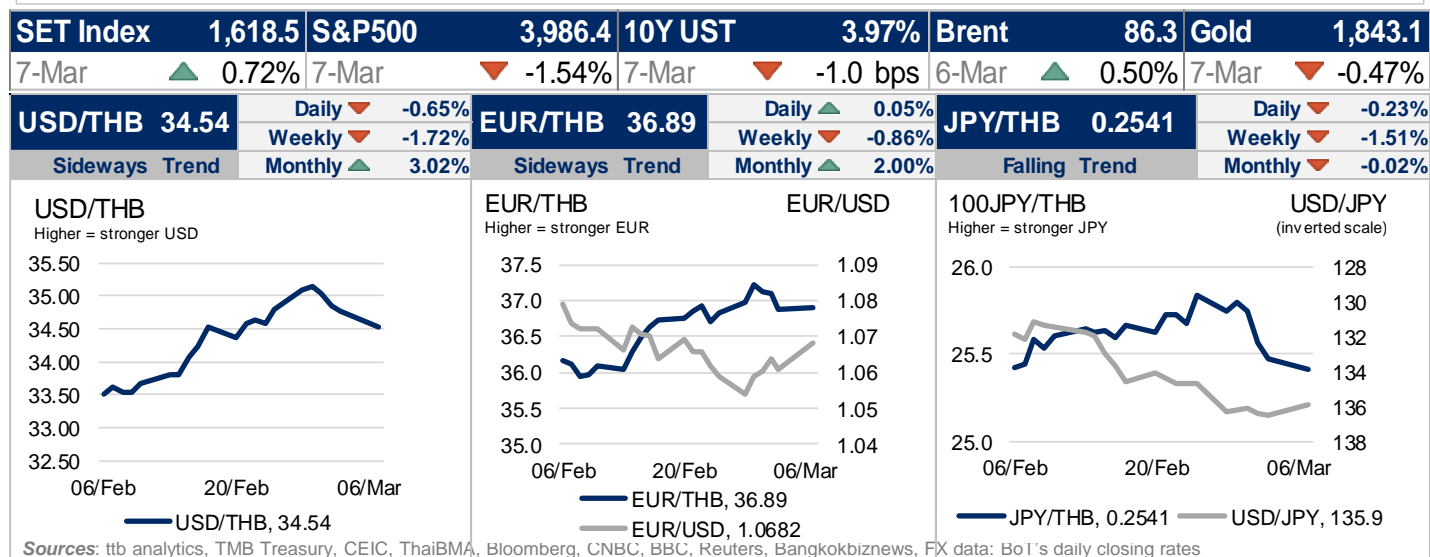
**Japan runs record current account deficit in January**

Japan logged a record current account deficit in January on persistent rises in the cost of importing fuel, government data showed on Wednesday. The deficit, at 1.98 trillion yen (\$14.43 billion), exceeded a median market forecast of 818.4 billion yen and marked the biggest amount on record, the government said. The country's trade deficit in January was also the largest since relevant data became available in 1996, the data showed. The data underscores the pain that stubbornly high energy costs are inflicting on Japan's economy, which is heavily reliant on imports of fuel and raw material.

**Dollar jumps as Powell flags higher terminal rate**

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.54, -4.94 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB31DA) was 2.775, -10.50 bps. LB31DA could be between 2.50-3.00. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 3.97 -1.00 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 34.54 Moving in a range of 35.05-35.14 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 34.80-35.20 today. The dollar hit a three-month month high against a basket of currencies on Tuesday after Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell said the U.S. central bank is likely to raise rates more than previously expected and warned that the process of getting inflation back to 2% has "a long way to go." The Fed is also prepared to move in larger steps if the "totality" of incoming information suggests tougher measures are needed to control price increases, Powell told U.S. lawmakers on Tuesday. The Fed had slowed the pace of its tightening to 25 basis points at its last two meetings, following larger hikes last year. Fed funds futures traders are now pricing in a roughly 60% probability that the Fed will hike rates by 50 basis points at its March 21-22 meeting. The probability had been seen at around 22% earlier on Tuesday.

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Currency Market

Currency	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range	
						Min	Max
Dollar Index		104.84	0.2%	-0.4%	2.9%	101.02	105.28
EUR/USD		1.0608	-0.3%	0.7%	-2.6%	1.0538	1.1007
USD/JPY		136.46	0.1%	0.2%	6.2%	128.49	136.46
USD/CHF		0.9406	-0.2%	-0.1%	2.9%	0.9076	0.9424
GBP/USD		1.1972	-0.2%	0.2%	-2.0%	1.1943	1.2381
USD/CAD		1.3586	-0.3%	-0.2%	1.9%	1.3292	1.3623
AUD/USD		0.6746	0.1%	0.4%	-4.5%	0.6717	0.7138
NZD/USD		0.6228	0.0%	1.3%	-3.8%	0.6150	0.6520
ASEAN Dollar		107.79	0.0%	0.6%	5.1%	102.26	108.03
USD/THB		34.76	-0.3%	-0.9%	5.3%	32.73	35.14
USD/SGD		1.3460	0.0%	-0.3%	2.7%	1.3047	1.3505
USD/MYR		4.4726	-0.1%	0.1%	4.9%	4.2358	4.4778
USD/IDR		15,282	0.1%	0.3%	2.7%	14,881	15,282
USD/PHP		55.00	-0.1%	-0.7%	2.1%	53.88	55.40
USD/CNY		6.8959	0.0%	-1.1%	2.4%	6.7115	6.9708
USD/HKD		7.8446	-0.1%	-0.1%	0.1%	7.8301	7.8593

FX Swap Market and BoT's Reserves

USTH FX Sp	1M History	Last	%Chg(1D)
1-month		0.15	0.15
3-month		0.70	-0.05
6-month		1.50	-0.20

Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn Chg(1W)
Total		217,659	-3476
Gold		14,214	-244
SDR		5,416	-41
IMF Reserves		1,244	-9
Foreign Ccy		196,786	-3182
Net Fwd Position		26,950	510

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Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)

Date	Equity	Bond	Total
07/03/2023	-1,369	7,442	6,073
03/03/2023	-969	676	-293
02/03/2023	-379	869	490
01/03/2023	-3,017	5,391	2,374
28/02/2023	-3,397	2,553	-844
Last 5 days	-9,131	16,931	7,800

	Period-to-date	Equity	Bond	Total
MTD	Month	↓ -5,734	↑ 14,378	↑ 8,643
QTD	Quarter	↓ -30,902	↑ 5,825	↓ -25,077
YTD	Year	↓ -30,902	↑ 5,825	↓ -25,077

Money Market

THB BIBOR	1M Hist	Last	1M Range		THB FIX	1M Hist	Last	1M Range		USD LIBOR	1M Hist	Last	1M Range	
			Min	Max				Min	Max				Min	Max
ON		1.50	1.25	1.50	ON		1.16	0.71	1.30	ON		0.08	0.07	0.08
1W		1.53	1.31	1.53	1W		0.97	0.21	1.21	1W		0.00	0.00	0.00
1M		1.58	1.44	1.58	1M		1.09	0.68	1.19	1M		0.35	0.11	0.35
2M		1.69	1.49	1.69	2M					2M		0.00	0.00	0.00
3M		1.76	1.55	1.76	3M		1.35	1.07	1.41	3M		0.75	0.27	0.75
6M		1.93	1.72	1.93	6M		1.61	1.42	1.64	6M		1.04	0.45	1.04
12M		2.09	1.90	2.09	12M		1.98	1.77	2.03	12M		1.49	0.79	1.49

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Note: D=d=day; M=month; Y=year; %chg = percentage change; chg = change; USTH FX Sp = USD/THB FX Swap point; \$mn=million US dollar; THB.mn= Thai baht million; Hist=history; THB implied = Thai baht rate that are calculated by FX forward rate; ASEAN Index = value average ASEAN FX Jan2008=100

Fixed Income Market

Fixed Income	1M History	YTM (%)	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W)	Bps Chg (1M)	1M Range	
						Min	Max
UST10y		3.9700	-1.00	5.00	51.00	3.39	4.08
Gilt 10y		3.8245	0.06	9.08	45.85	3.10	3.82
Bund 10y		2.6600	0.00	2.00	47.00	2.13	2.76
JGB 10y		0.5280	-0.20	0.40	7.10	0.40	0.53
TGB 1y		1.7438	0.49	0.77	15.23	1.58	1.74
TGB 2y		1.8888	-0.89	-1.26	10.99	1.78	1.90
TGB 5y		2.1343	-3.63	-6.01	9.17	2.04	2.20
TGB 7y		2.3553	-3.02	-4.03	15.63	2.20	2.40
TGB 10y		2.5402	-4.94	-4.66	8.76	2.45	2.61
AAA Spread		73.10	0.13	0.10	-0.11	72.06	75.13
AA Spread		83.69	0.05	-10.89	-9.19	83.62	94.59
A Spread		124.41	-0.06	0.87	-1.46	123.54	127.89
BBB Spread		225.75	0.12	0.17	0.18	225.52	247.69

Note: UST = US Treasury; Gilt = UK Government Bond; JGB = Japanese Government bond; Bund = German Government Bond; TGB = Thai government Bond; tenors of the bonds are put after their name; bps=basis point; Corporate spreads are Thai and reported in basis points over government bond for the tenors 3-5 years.

Commodity Market

Commodity	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range	
						Min	Max
Brent Crude		86.26	0.5%	4.6%	5.0%	80.45	86.61
London Gold		1843.1	-0.5%	1.8%	-4.8%	1,809.1	1,954.9

Note: Unit of Brent crude oil price is \$/barrel; unit of gold price is \$/ounce

Equity Market

Equity Index	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range	
						Min	Max
S&P500 (US)		3,986.4	-1.5%	0.4%	-1.8%	2,467.4	4,179.8
STOXX (EU)		455.5	-1.6%	-0.1%	1.7%	442.8	462.8
FTSE All-Share(UK)		4,326.1	-0.1%	0.5%	0.5%	4,301.6	4,377.4
DAX (DE)		15,559.5	-0.6%	1.3%	2.8%	15,033.6	15,653.6
CAC All-Tradable(FR)		5,507.1	-0.5%	1.0%	3.4%	5,255.7	5,534.1
TOPIX (JP)		2,045.0	0.4%	2.6%	3.2%	1,915.6	2,045.0
Shanghai (CH)		3,443.5	-1.1%	0.2%	1.4%	3,349.5	3,488.9
Hang Seng (HK)		20,534.5	-0.3%	3.8%	-9.0%	19,785.9	22,566.8
ASX 200 (AU)		7,364.7	0.5%	1.5%	-1.4%	7,224.8	7,539.0
SET (TH)		1,618.5	0.7%	-0.5%	-3.8%	1,606.9	1,688.5
SET50 (TH)		967.0	0.6%	-0.2%	-3.8%	960.9	1,010.3
Straits Times (SG)		3,245.3	0.2%	-0.5%	-3.9%	3,232.0	3,388.5
FTSE Malay (MY)		1,458.7	0.4%	0.3%	-2.8%	1,450.2	1,500.3
JSX Index (ID)		6,766.8	-0.6%	-1.1%	-1.4%	6,766.8	6,941.9
PSE Index (PH)		6,705.1	0.5%	2.3%	-5.3%	6,556.2	7,081.4
Vn Index (VN)		1,037.8	1.0%	1.3%	-6.3%	1,021.3	1,111.2

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Note: A = actual, P = previous; C = consensus

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