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Led by uncertainty over the pace of future rate hike by Fed, kept the investors on the edge as they looked for further cues. A confirmed inflation print for the Euro zone at 8.9% in Jul'22 (highest since-1999) added to the growing calls of more rate hikes by ECB. On currency front, DXY strengthened and rose to a fresh one-month high. Investors will closely monitor the upcoming Fed's annual Jackson hole meeting and other key data releases including jobless claims to guide the market. In India, RBI's bulletin highlighted domestic economy is showing signs of broadening with signs of improvement seen in demand side indicators.

Global indices ended mixed as investors continued to monitor the Fed minutes and awaited the release of key data prints including jobless claims and homes sales scheduled to release later. Nikkei (1%) dropped the most followed by Hang Seng (0.8%). US indices ended a tad higher. Sensex (0.1%) too ended in green supported by gains in real estate and power stocks. It is trading higher today while other Asian stocks are trading mixed.

Fig 1 - Stock markets

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|---------------|------------|------------|----------|
| | 17-08-2022 | 18-08-2022 | % change |
| Dow Jones | 33,980 | 33,999 | 0.1 |
| S & P 500 | 4,274 | 4,284 | 0.2 |
| FTSE | 7,516 | 7,542 | 0.3 |
| Nikkei | 29,223 | 28,942 | (1.0) |
| Hang Seng | 19,922 | 19,764 | (0.8) |
| Shanghai Comp | 3,293 | 3,278 | (0.5) |
| Sensex | 60,260 | 60,298 | 0.1 |
| Nifty | 17,944 | 17,957 | 0.1 |

Source: Bloomberg, Bank of Baroda Research

• Global currencies ended lower. DXY climbed to one-month high with focus shifting towards the upcoming Jackson Hole meeting to provide some guidance on rate hike. Euro slid by 0.9% as concerns over gloomier economic outlook added to the growing concerns. GBP declined by 1% with subdued data print adding to more pressure (lower GDP and soaring inflation). INR depreciated by 0.3%. It opened stronger today while other Asian currencies are trading mixed.

Fig 2 - Currencies

| | 17-08-2022 | 18-08-2022 | % change |
|---------|------------|------------|----------|
| EUR/USD | 1.0180 | 1.0087 | (0.9) |
| GBP/USD | 1.2048 | 1.1930 | (1.0) |
| USD/JPY | 135.05 | 135.89 | (0.6) |
| USD/INR | 79.45 | 79.68 | (0.3) |
| USD/CNY | 6.7811 | 6.7863 | (0.1) |

Source: Bloomberg, Bank of Baroda Research





Barring China and US (lower), other global yields closed higher as investors continued to assess Fed minutes and pace of rate hike in the coming months. US 10Y yields was down by 1bps. On the other hand, UK's and Germany's 10Y yields were up 2bps each. India's 10Y yield gained by 6bps as crude prices surged. It is trading higher today.

Fig 3 - Bond 10Y yield

| | 17-08-2022 | 18-08-2022 | change in bps |
|---------|------------|------------|---------------|
| US | 2.90 | 2.88 | (1) |
| UK | 2.29 | 2.31 | 2 |
| Germany | 1.08 | 1.10 | 2 |
| Japan | 0.19 | 0.20 | 1 |
| China | 2.64 | 2.62 | (2) |
| India | 7.19 | 7.24 | 6 |

Source: Bloomberg, Bank of Baroda Research

Fig 4 - Short term rates

| | 17-08-2022 | 18-08-2022 | change in bps |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| Tbill-91 days | 5.52 | 5.60 | 8 |
| Tbill-182 days | 5.92 | 6.00 | 8 |
| Tbill-364 days | 6.23 | 6.17 | (6) |
| G-Sec 2Y | 6.40 | 6.43 | 3 |
| SONIA int rate benchmark | 1.69 | 1.69 | 0 |
| US SOFR | 2.28 | 2.28 | 0 |

Source: Bloomberg, Bank of Baroda Research

Fig 5 - Liquidity

| Rs tn | 17-08-2022 | 18-08-2022 | change (Rs tn) |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|----------------|
| Net Liquidity (-Surplus/+deficit) | (1.0) | (1.3) | (0.3) |
| Reverse repo | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0 |
| Repo | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Source: RBI, Bank of Baroda Research

Fig 6 - Capital market flows

| | 16-08-2022 | 17-08-2022 | change (US\$ mn/Rs cr) |
|----------------------|------------|------------|---------------------------|
| FII (US\$ mn) | 1,767.5 | 544.1 | (1,223.4) |
| Debt | (22.1) | 1.7 | 23.8 |
| Equity | 1,789.6 | 542.4 | (1,247.3) |
| Mutual funds (Rs cr) | 3,513.3 | 1,017.8 | (2,495.5) |
| Debt | 2,873.7 | 904.3 | (1,969.4) |
| Equity | 639.7 | 113.5 | (526.2) |

Source: Bloomberg, Bank of Baroda Research, Mutual fund data as of 2nd and 3rd Aug 2022

Crude oil prices rose by 3.1% led by improved fuel demand from European nations. Gold prices continued to decline further (0.2%) as DXY strengthened.

Fig 7 - Commodities

| | 17-08-2022 | 18-08-2022 | % change |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|----------|
| Brent crude (US\$/bbl) | 93.7 | 96.6 | 3.1 |
| Gold (US\$/ Troy Ounce) | 1,761.8 | 1,758.6 | (0.2) |
| Copper (US\$/ MT) | 7,925.3 | 8,045.3 | 1.5 |
| Zinc (US\$/MT) | 3,578.5 | 3,533.0 | (1.3) |
| Aluminium (US\$/MT) | 2,411.0 | 2,403.0 | (0.3) |

Source: Bloomberg, Bank of Baroda Research



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