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Three Take-Aways

1) As US equities slipped, USD gained on soaring UST yields and Fed's Kashkari raised prospects of December cut being derailed.

2) Buoying the USD, Trump's appointments also point to potential realisation of tariff and deportation threats alongside cementing US energy export status.

3) THB weakened on fears of potential policy easing as pick for BoT Chairman perceived as erosion of central bank indepence.

MACRO THEME: Anything But Tamed?

- USD is anything but tamed, soaring ahead of **US CPI release** tonight. To be clear, it is certainly not only anticipation of data tonight. Fedspeak was also leaned hawkishly with Minneapolis Fed President Kashkari raising the prospects of the December rate cut being derailed by inflation. That said, the bar is set high given that he said that the print will need to surprise so much that the outlook changes dramatically.

- Meanwhile Richmond Fed President Barkin was more balanced characterising consumers as being strong but choosier and the workforce being more productive and better value. He said that the Fed is in a position to respond appropriately regardless of how the economy evolves. Admittedly, the current policy rates provide ample room to respond, though policy makers ought to be more restrained due to uncertainty over policy lags.

- Furthermore, the **USD was also likely assisted by continued revelation of appointments under Trump 2.0**. Appointment of Macro Rubio and Mike Waltz raised the odds of a firmer stance against China and points to an ensuing trade war ahead denting FX of trading partners.

- Appointment of Tom Homan who was known was zero tolerance immigration during Trump's first term as border Czar also points to increase in odds of **mass deportation of illegal immigrants** will worry labour intensive agricultural sector on labour supply, wage and inflation issue in the pipeline. Lee Zeldin's appointment to the Environmental Protection Agency is reportedly also likely to see the US increase energy production cementing their exporter status and roll back measure targeting power plant pollution. The energy resiliency would also serve to backstop the greenback. Mike Huckabee who has been known as a religious conservative being appointed as Israel Envoy also points to continued US support for Israel in the Middle East conflict.

- Simply put, even as more speculative Trump trades such as US equities slipped, concerns over longer term policy direction is far from being tamed as UST yields soared.

Yields (2Y: +8.7bp; 10Y: +12.4bp; 30Y: +9.8bp)

- USTs sold off as Trump 2.0 incites fears over near term inflation concerns alongside longer term fiscal worries.

DATA/EVENTS

Actual	Exp.	Prior
5.3%		6.2%
6.2%	5.9%	5.5%
3.1%	2.5%	-0.1%
9.3%		-6.4%
7.4/-91.4		13.1/-86.9
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Today

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(JP) PPI YoY (Oct)	3.4%	2.9%	3.1%
(KR) Unemployment Rate SA (Oct)	2.7%	2.6%	2.5%
(AU) Wage Price YoY (3Q)		3.5%	4.1%
(US) CPI/Core YoY (Oct)		2.6%/3.3%	2.4%/3.3%

Equities (Nasdaq: -0.1%; S&P: -0.3%; Dow: -0.9%)

- Equities slipped in a broad based manner as markets reduce odds of a December rate cut to 58% and priced in just slightly less than 3 cuts till end-2025.

FX (DXY: +0.5%)

- USD strengthened against all G10 currencies with USD/JPY moving above mid-154 levels. EUR dropped towards 1.06 while AUD traded below mid-65 cents. The GBP led losses as UK wage growth slowed more than expected. USD/SGD has also moved towards 1.34 and regional EM-Asia peers are unlikely to be further pressured today.

China: US Hawks Overwhelm Fiscal Calibrations

- Reports surfaced that Chinese fiscal authorities are contemplating reducing deed tax for home buyers to as low as 1% and also removing home size categorisation which encourages households to upgrade.

- Nonetheless, Chinese equities were unable to hold onto gains and ended 1.1% lower as Trump appoints well known China hawks to his administration. Macro Rubio is likely to be the new Secretary of State and the first sitting one to be sanctioned by China.

- Mike Waltz who will become the national security advisor, has also previously called China a greater threat to the US than any other nation. Waltz had co-authored a piece calling for increase in defense spending and making sure the US armed forces is clearly capable of denying a Chinese attack on Taiwan. One has to wonder how strategic ambiguity will play out in contrast to Trump's earlier comments on Taiwan paying for their own defence.

THB: Independence at Risk?

- The THB has weakened significantly as reports surfaced that Kittiratt Naranong will be appointed as the Bank of Thailand's new Chairman. Kittiratt Na-Ranong is a former finance minister and former member of the ruling Pheu Thai Party and a known critic of the BoT's monetary policy. While the BoT chairman does not sit on the monetary policy committee, the reported appointment incites fears of the government swaying policy decisions through influencing the selection of members in the committee and his assessment of the Governor's performance.

- Consequently, the **THB has weakened** as markets **perceive** that **central bank independence may become increasingly eroded** the fact. Admittedly, Governor Sethaput will only reach the end of his term in September 2025 though it may be feared that his decisions may increasingly become constrained.

- That said, the BoT has sought to calm markets by playing down the influence of the BoT Chairman. Furthermore, the appointment will **only officially be confirmed on 19 November** and there is time for more twists in this process. On the same day, the announcement though may be upstaged by the government's economic committee which is set to discuss economic stimulus measures.

FX OUTLOOK

FX	Close (NY)	Open*	Daily %∆	Fore	cast	t
USDJPY	154.61	154.65	+0.58%	152.00	-	155.50
EURUSD	1.0623	1.0617	▼0.30%	1.0550	-	1.0780
GBPUSD	1.2748	1.2739	▼0.93%	1.2600		1.2800
AUDUSD	0.6533	0.6529	▼0.64%	0.6500	-	0.6630
DXY	106.0		+0.46%	104.8	-	106.3
USDCNY	7.2347		+0.27%	7.1700	-	7.2500
USDCNH	7.2430	7.2438	+0.21%	7.1800	-	7.2600
USDHKD	7.7780	7.7780	+0.03%	7.7700	-	7.7820
USDSGD	1.3382	1.3389	+0.32%	1.3230	-	1.3420
USDKRW	1410	1409	+0.00%	1390	-	1420
USDTWD	32.44		+0.50%	32.20		32.60
USDINR	84.39		+0.01%	84.30	-	84.80
USDIDR	15780		+0.64%	15600	-	15850
USDMYR	4.438	4.438	+0.63%	4.380	-	4.450
USDPHP	58.83		+0.38%	58.30	-	59.10
USDTHB	34.80	34.85	+1.25%	34.30	-	35.05
USDVND	25349	25349	+0.15%	25200	-	25500

*Open is as at 8am HKT/SGT.

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MARKET MOVES

Bond Yields	2Y Close	10Y Close	2Y ∆ (bps)	10Y ∆ (bps)
UST (US)	4.342	4.429	8.7	12.4
JGB (JP)	0.502	1.007	0.7	1.3
Bunds (GE)	2.121	2.360	-1.1	3.5
Gilts (UK)	4.494	4.498	8.5	7.4
AGB (AU)	4.102	4.562	0.8	-1.6
SGS (SG)	2.787	2.834	2.9	0.8
CGB (CN)	1.407	2.069	-0.3	-1.3
KGB (KR)	3.018	2.937	9.8	8.7
SDL (IN)	6.829	6.714	-0.3	0.7

G3 Equities	Close	Net Chg	Daily %∆
S&P500 (US)	5983.99	-17.36	▼0.29%
Nasdaq (US)	19281.4	-17.36	▼0.09%
DJIA (US)	43910.98	-382.15	▼0.86%
N225 (JP)	39376.09	-157.23	▼0.40%
STOXX50 (EU)	4744.69	-109.34	₹2.25%
Commodity	Close	Net Chg	Daily %∆
COPPER (LME)	9,002.18	-185.28	₹2.02%
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IRON ORE (CN)	101.76	-3.71	▼0.02%
GOLD	2,598.39	-20.43	▼0.78%
SILVER	30.72	-0.01	▼0.45%
OIL (BRENT)	71.89	0.06	+0.08%
OIL (WTI)	68.12	0.08	+0.12%
NATURAL GAS	2.91	0.04	+0.13%

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	96.995	▼0.36%
.8655 ().8658	▼0.25%
.0306 5	5.0296	▼0.55%
1.387 2	21.376	+0.33%
.0752 1	1.0751	▼0.24%
83331 0	.83346	+0.64%
.1024 1	1.1025	▼0.01%
.6948 7	7.6907	▼0.09%
.2331 9	9.2275	▼0.73%
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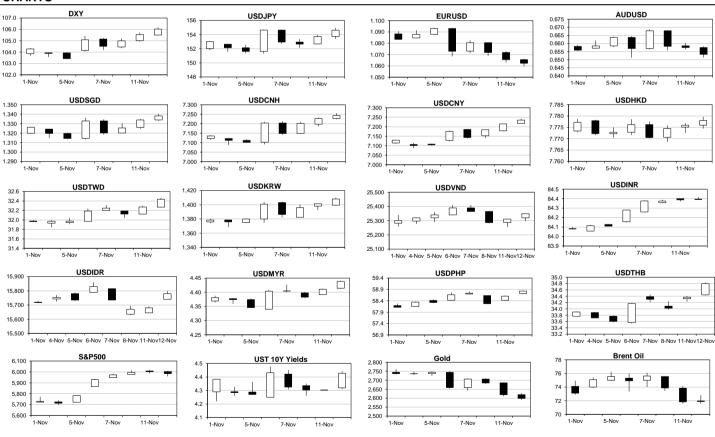
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