

## "Yields edge down amid tepid volumes"

CRSI conducted its weekly T-Rill auction today raising LKR 145.0Bn in line with the initial offering. Of this, LKR 11.4Bn was raised via 3M T-Bills, while 6M and 12M T-Bills secured LKR 70.0Bn and LKR 63.6Bn, respectively. The weighted average yield for the 3M maturity rose by 3bps to 7.65%, while the 12M T-Bill saw a marginal 1bps increase to 8,30%. Meanwhile, the 6M T-Bill dipped by 1bps to 7.97%. Activity in the secondary market remained subdued, with thin trading volumes observed amid a notable undercurrent of buying interest. This prompted a slight downward adjustment in the yield curve. Consequently, the 15.03.2028 maturity traded at 9.90% while the 15.10.2028 and 15.12.2028 maturities both traded at 10.00%. Further along the curve, the 15.06.2029 maturity traded at 10.30%, followed by the 15.12.2029 maturity which traded higher at 10.40%. Finally, the 15.05.2030 maturity traded at 10.45% and the 15.03.2031 maturity changed hands at 10.90%. In the forex market, the LKR showed signs of a subtle strengthening against the greenback, closing at LKR 299.66/USD, compared to the previous day's rate of 299.70/USD. Meanwhile, overnight liquidity in the banking system registered a feeble uptick, rising to LKR 145.5Bn, from LKR 144.0Bn in the prior session.













