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"CBSL accepts selective bids at bond auction"

The secondary market endured another subdued trading session today, resulting in a largely unchanged yield curve as activity remained minimal. Trading volumes were notably thin, with only a handful of maturities seeing movement. At the short end of the curve, the 01.05.2028 maturity traded at 8.90%, while the 15.10.2028 and 15.12.2028 maturities changed hands between 9.02% to 9.05%. Meanwhile, the Central Bank of Sri Lanka concluded today's scheduled treasury bond auction, raising only a portion of the targeted LKR 122.0Bn. The initial plan aimed to raise LKR 90.08n through a 2030 maturity bond carrying a 9.75% coupon, and LKR 32.0Bn via a 2037 maturity bond with a 10.75% coupon. However, only LKR 50.2Bn was accepted for the 2030 bond, while the 2037 bond saw acceptances totaling LKR 20.9Bn. The weighted average yields were 9.77% for the 2030 bond and 11.08% for the 2037 bond. In the forex market, the LKR depreciated against the greenback, closing at LKR 301.95/USD, compared to the previously seen rate of LKR 301.87/USD. Meanwhile, overnight liquidity in the banking system contracted to LKR 90.2Bn from the previously seen level of LKR 102.9Bn.













