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"Quiet day at the secondary market amid thin volumes"

The secondary market witnessed a dreary session during the day amid ultra-thin volumes. Noteworthy transactions took place on the short to mid end of the curve; however, the yield curve remained unchanged. At the short end of the curve, the bond maturing on 01.08.2026 traded at a rate of 8.35%, followed by the 15.09.2029 maturity, which changed hands at 9.69%. Towards the mid-end, the 01.12.2031 tenor was transacted at a yield of 10.22%. The CBSL conducted its weekly T-Bill auction today, where a total of LKR 27.2Bn was accepted, despite total bids reaching LKR 102.4Bn. The amount raised also fell short of the initially offered LKR 77.5Bn. A sum of LKR 4.4Bn was accepted for the 3-month maturity, LKR 18.7Bn for the 6-month maturity, and LKR 4.0Bn for the 12-month maturity. The weighted average yields across all three tenors remained unchanged. On the external front, the LKR depreciated against the USD, closing at LKR 302.73/USD compared to LKR 302.60/USD seen previously. Overnight liquidity in the banking system contracted to LKR 156.38Bn from LKR 171.02Bn recorded the previous day.













