

MARKET INDICATORS

As of January 30, 2018

Index/ Bond	Index Level/Yield	DoD Change	DoD % Change
PSEi	8,910.48	-148.14	-1.64%
Dow Jones	26,076.89	-362.59	-1.37%
NASDAQ	7,466.50	-39.27	-0.52%
S&P500	2,822.43	-31.10	-1.09%
MSCI Asia ex-Japan	763.36	-11.97	-1.54%
MSCI Emerging Market	1,247.63	-20.35	-1.60%
5Yr FXTN	4.75	2 bps	
10 Yr US Treasury	2.72	3 bps	
USD/PHP	51.41	0.19	0.38%

Source: Bloomberg



News in the Philippines

DoF expects the rise in inflation to steady in January

- According to the Department of Finance (DoF) yesterday, inflation rates in January are expected to remain unchanged from December last year, setting the stage for higher inflation expected for the full year. The expected rate for January 2018 is 3.3%, the same as December 2017, though faster than January 2017. The data is attributed to higher transportation costs due to the increase in retail pump prices for diesel and gasoline.

Local Bond Market

- The yield of the benchmark 5-year bond closed at 4.75, rising 2 bps during yesterday's session.
- The yields of bonds traded negative throughout yesterday's session with 2 yields rising, 5 yields falling and 4 yields remaining stagnant.

Philippine Stocks

- Local stocks fell during yesterday's close following the rise of profit taking in regional markets and the losses in international markets. The PSEi fell 1.64% or 148.14 points to end the day at 8,910.48.

Philippine Peso

- The local peso weakened against the greenback during yesterday's session hitting a three-month low as investors cautiously await US Federal Reserve Chair Janet Yellen's final monetary policy meeting as well as President Donald J. Trump's State of the Union address. The peso closed the day at PHP 51.41.



News around the World

Eurozone growth hits a decade high

- According to economic news released yesterday, the 19-member Eurozone posted its strongest annual Gross Domestic Product (GDP) since the 2008 financial crisis. European recovery clearly remains on track as the GDP figure hit 2.5% in 2017, growing 0.6% in the Fourth Quarter of the year. Both Spain and France posted very strong year-end performances with. The Eurozone growth in 2017 was stronger than many developed markets including the United States and United Kingdom.

US Market

- US stocks closed the day negative yesterday, dropping the most since August of last year. The first major sell-off of 2018 saw investors take profits as they await President Trump's State of the Union address this morning. The S&P 500 ended at 2,822.43 falling 1.09% or 31.10 points. The Dow Jones fell 362.59 points or 1.37% to end at 26,076.89. The NASDAQ was down 39.27 points or 0.52% to close at 7,466.50.

Asian Stocks

- Asian stocks retreated yesterday as they tracked the US trading session and had investors look toward President Trump's speech this morning. The MSCI Asia-Ex Japan Index fell 1.54% or 11.97 points to close at 763.36.

Emerging Markets

- Emerging markets fell yesterday after investors continued the profit taking trend as the month of January draws to a close. The MSCI Emerging Markets Index fell 1.60% or 20.35 points, closing at 1,247.63.