

Daily Matters

November 22, 2017

MARKET INDICATORS

As of November 21, 2017

Index/ Bond	Index Level/Yield	DoD Change	DoD % Change
PSEi	8,289.19	-32.79	-0.39%
Dow Jones	23,590.83	160.5	0.69%
S&P500	2,599.03	16.89	0.65%
Nasdaq	6,862.48	71.76	1.06%
MSCI Asia ex-Japan	714.62	8.78	1.24%
MSCI Emerging Market	1,150.98	14.88	1.31%
5Yr FXTN	5	13 bps	
10 Yr US Treasury	2.36	1 bp	
USD/PHP	50.72	-0.01	-0.03%

Source: Bloomberg



News in the Philippines

BSP readies tools as risks rise with global interest rates

- The Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas has been preparing to adjust its policy setting to address market volatility that could emerge from rising global interest rates. Market participants are gearing up for higher rates as they expect the US Federal Reserve to introduce another hike at its December policy review as this is part of the normalization from near-zero rates following the 2008 Global Financial Crisis.

Local Bond Market

- The yield of the benchmark 5-year bond finished off with 4.99 bps with most of the yields falling. (7 yields falling; 4 yields rising)
- The Bureau of the Treasury's rate-setting offer was met with bids with a total of P191.8 billion, prompting the government to expand its award from the planned issuance of just P30 billion. Due to a strong demand, the government has raised P130 billion via the five-year RTB.

Philippine Stocks

- The Philippine stocks jumped due to the continued absence of market-moving news as the benchmark Philippine Stock Exchange index (PSEi) closed 32.79 points lower at 8,289.19 while the broader All-Shares index lost 20.07 points, or 0.41 percent, to end at 4,851.68. Market investors digested the 3rd quarter corporate earnings results and the better-than-expected GDP growth of 6.9%.

Philippine Peso

- The local peso continues its appreciation against the US dollar ahead of the speech of Fed Reserve Chair Janet Yellen as it closed at Php 50.72. There were some selling, more of profit taking ahead of the speech.



News around the World

Chicago Fed national economic index rebounds to highest in over a decade

- According to the US Central Bank, the Chicago Fed Reserve surged to a high of 0.65 in October from a sharply upwardly revised positive 0.36 in September. The said reading was the highest for a volatile index in December 2006 as 56 of 85 monthly individual indicators make positive contributions, while 29 indicators were lower.

US Market

- US Stocks are on the positive territory as tech Stocks rallied and investors cheered strong quarterly results from top companies in Corporate America. Dow Jones at 23,590.83 with 160.5 or 0.69%; S&P500 at 2,599.03 with 16.89 or 0.65% and lastly, the Tech Savvy Nasdaq finishes off at 6,862.48 with 71.76 points or 1.06%.

Asian Stocks

- Asian Stocks closed mostly higher, following Wall Street's lead overnight, with Hong Kong's benchmark index leading the way as it reached a 10-year high. The MSCI Asia ex-Japan closed at 714.62 with 8.78 points or 1.24%.

Emerging Markets

- The Emerging Markets raced to fresh six-year highs on yesterday's trade lifted by high gains in Asia; Turkish markets fell, pressured by worsening ties with the United States and fears the central bank would be unable to combat an inflation spike. The MSCI Emerging Market is at 1,150.98 with 14.88 points or 1.31%.

The content on this material is provided for information purposes only and should not be considered as investment advice. This document is not a solicitation or an offer to buy or sell any securities or related financial products. While this document was prepared with reasonable care, no guarantee is given as to the accuracy and completeness of the information herein. Information and/or views contained herein are for information only and based on data that ATR Asset Management (ATRAM) has researched. However, ATRAM does not represent that the information and/or views are accurate or complete, and these should not be relied upon as such. Any person receiving this document must make his/her own investigation and satisfy him-/herself as to the accuracy and completeness of the information and/or views. Any information or opinion expressed in this document is subject to change without prior notice. This document may not be reproduced or distributed without written consent from ATR Asset Management.