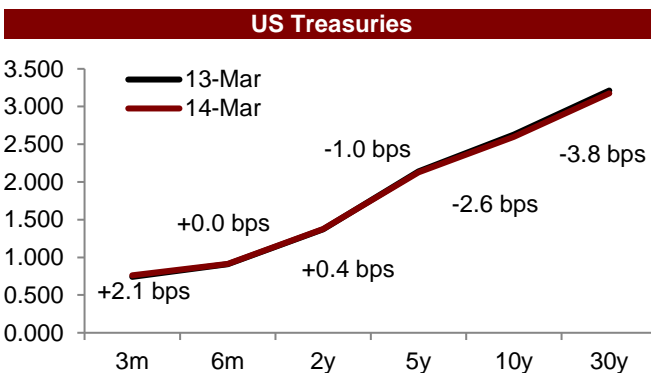
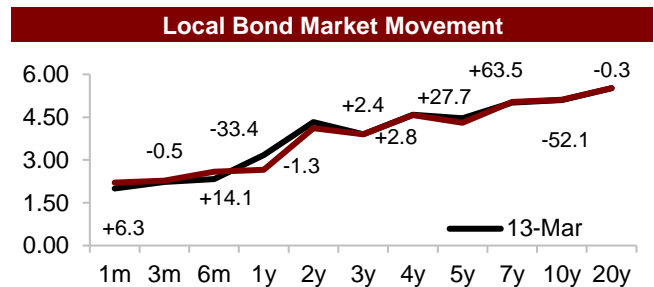
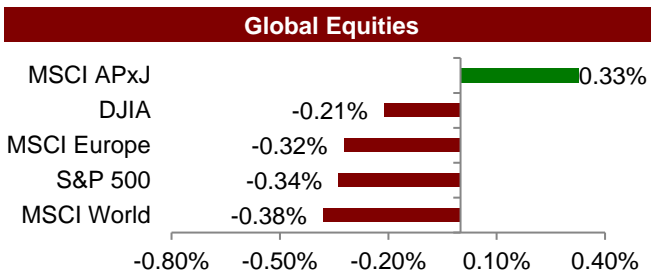
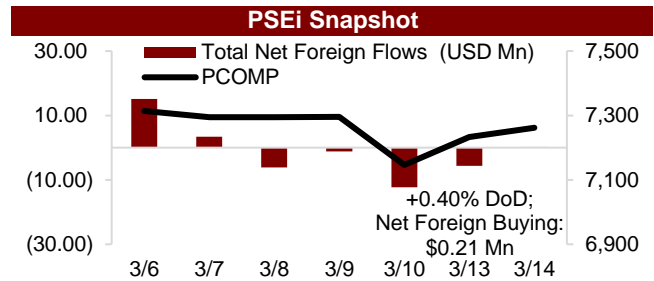


Developed market equities weakened following the oil price slump while Asian equities were slightly up on a technical rally from last week's sell-off. US Treasuries marginally moved up, as market players positioned ahead of the two-day FOMC meeting. The US Dollar continued to strengthen vis-a-vis major trading peers, again tracking movements in US Treasuries.

- ✓ The **local equities index** rose by 0.396% to 7,261.75, driven by the strong earnings result from ICT, and by the USD0.21Mn net foreign inflows.
- ✓ In the **local fixed income market**, treasuries rose after BSP Governor Tetangco's statements that inflation remains manageable and the higher FX volatility has been taken into account. On average, treasury yields fell by 2.95 bps, driven by the belly of the curve, which fell 7.3 bps.

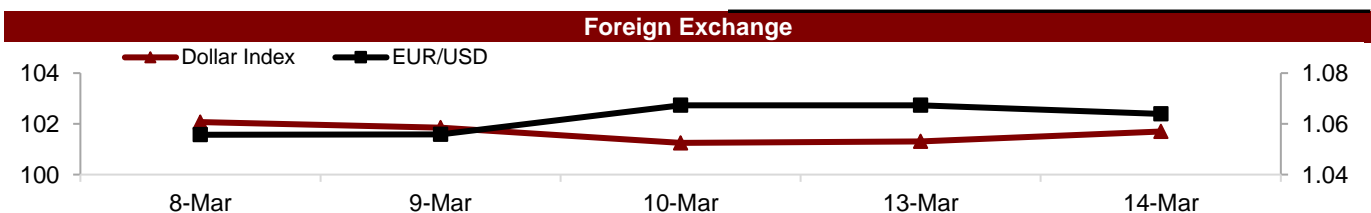


- ✓ **US stocks** were pulled down by the sell-off in energy stocks from the oil price slump and amid the thin volumes as a state of emergency is declared for New York City due to the winter storm. The Dow Jones lost 44.11 points to 20,837.3. The S&P 500 shed 8.02 points and closed at 2,365.45.
- ✓ Oil shares also drove the decline **European stocks**. Investors remain on the sidelines ahead of key political events this week. The MSCI Europe was down 0.32%.
- ✓ **Asian equities** continued to register modest gains as global markets await Fed economic projections. The MSCI Asia ex-Japan gained 0.33%.
- ✓ **US Treasuries** pared losses on risk-off sentiment as market players positioned ahead of the March FOMC meeting, which began yesterday despite the snowy weather in Washington. On average, the yield curve fell 3 bps led by declines in the long-end of the curve with the 10-year yield losing 2.56 bps while the 30-year lost 3.8 bps.

- ✓ The **Philippine peso** depreciated after data was released showing unemployment at a two-year high of 6.6% in January, up from 4.7% in December. The currency ended at 50.360 against the US dollar.
- ✓ The **US dollar** continued to strengthen as market players positioned ahead of the FOMC meeting. The DXY increased 0.38% to 101.7.

Foreign Exchange

USD/PHP	Previous Close	50.325
	Close	50.360
EUR/USD	Previous Close	1.0673
	Indicative Rate	1.0639



Key Indicators

YIELDS AND PRICES	14-Mar-17	DoD	WoW	MoM	YTD
91-Day Philippine Treasury Bill Yield (PDST-R2)	2.28	0.05%	-0.03%	0.02%	-0.39%
1-Year Philippine Treasury Bill Yield (PDST-R2)	2.66	-0.51%	-0.42%	-0.08%	0.29%
ROP2021 (Price)	105.51	(0.09)	(0.63)	(0.94)	(2.85)
ROP2034 (Price)	130.22	(0.58)	(1.76)	(3.26)	(0.24)
3-Month US Treasury Yield	0.76	0.02%	0.02%	0.22%	0.60%
3-Month German Treasury Bill Yield	(0.92)	-0.01%	-0.06%	-0.03%	-0.38%
Dubai Crude Oil Spot (\$/bbl)	50.13	0.00%	-7.87%	-7.73%	56.02%
Gold Spot (\$/oz)	1,199.01	-0.42%	-1.39%	-2.38%	12.96%

Upcoming Economic Releases

Philippines

Date	Event	Period	Prior
3/15/2017	Overseas Remittances YoY	Jan	3.60%
3/23/2017	BSP Overnight Borrowing / Standing Overnight Deposit Rate	N/A	3.0% / 2.5%

Developed Markets

Date	Country	Event	Period	Prior
3/16/2017	US	FOMC Rate Decision (Lower and Upper Bounds)	N/A	0.50% / 0.75%
3/15/2017	EU	GDP QoQ and YoY	4Q	0.7% / 3.0%
3/15/2017	Japan	Industrial Production MoM / YoY	Jan (f)	-25.0%

Emerging Markets

Date	Country	Event	Period	Prior
3/26/2017	China	Industrial Profits YoY	Feb	2.3%
3/15/2017	Indo	Central Bank 7-Day Repo Rate	16-Mar	4.8%
3/15/2017	India	Exports / Imports YoY	Feb	4.3% / 10.7%

Sources: BPI, Business World, PDI, Phil Star, Manila Bulletin, Reuters, Briefing, Bloomberg, CNN, Dow Jones, The Wall Street Journal, CNBC

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