

Week 20, TD1

 Monday, 17th May, 2010

Equity Markets – Highlights: The equity market remained bearish today as the sell off prompted by the sudden uptick in interbank money market rates last week had not fully subsided. A sustained improvement in interest rate is expected to diminish the attractiveness of stocks relative to other comparable investment outlets. The NSE market capitalisation and All-share Index declined 1.33% each as liquidity was inadequate to absorb supply pressure. The number of deals, volume and value of stocks traded also declined 13.56%, 21.48% and 33.72% respectively. Financials were the most actively traded stocks; accounting for 63.5% of volume of stocks traded. Stocks of Food/beverages, Maritime and Healthcare sectors enjoyed considerable buying interest. The stocks of 138 companies were traded; of which price of 33 stocks appreciated, whilst 59 stocks declined. The downtrend may not be prolonged as interest rates remained low whilst sliding prices may renew demand for equity in the near term.

Negative sentiments dominated global equities markets today on growing concern that Europe's fiscal problem may derail global economic recovery. In US, despite strong earnings and reports of improvement in underlying macroeconomic variables, the three major market indices fell. The Dow Jones, S & P 500 and NASDAQ declined 1.20%, 1.27% and 1.13% respectively. European markets were also depressed with the UK's FTSE100 and France's CAC sliding 0.01% and 0.47% respectively whilst the Germany's Dax gained 0.17%. Asian markets also closed down as the Japan's Nikkei 225, Hong Kong's Hang Seng, South Korea's KOSPI and China's Shanghai dipped 2.17%, 2.14%, 2.60% and 5.07% respectively. We expect global equities to be volatile in the near term as investors factor the slowdown in the Euro zone into equity prices.

Money Markets –Highlights. Rates at the interbank market declined further today as lull reign in the market. Rates on Call, 7-day, 30-day, 60-day and 90-day obligations declined 1.60%, 2.80%, 2.37%, 2.17% and 3.23% respectively. Structural illiquidity had pushed up rates across tenors last week but the downward trend may continue through the week due to low interbank activities.

Equities (NSE) – Market Snapshot

Indicator	Mon. 17 May	Fri. 14 May	Change	%
No. of Deals	7,042	8,147	(1,105)	(13.56)
Vol. Traded	282.08mn	359.25mn	(77.17)mn	(21.48)
Total Value	₦3.12bn	₦4.70bn	₦(1.59)bn	(33.72)
Mkt. Cap	₦6.66trn	₦6.75trn	₦(89.76)bn	(1.33)
All-Share Index	27,383.91	27,753.13	(369.22)	(1.33)

Company Results Released

Company	Period	N' bn		N' bn		Div (k) Bonus
		T'over	PAT	T'over	PAT	
FCMB	Q4'09	33.79	0.56	72.70	3.99	5
Unity Bank	Q4'09	46.42	(16.11)	42.98	(12.90)	-
Daar Comm.	Q4'08	3.68	(0.38)	2.82	(0.59)	-

The Day's Gainers & Losers

GAINERS				LOSERS			
Company	OP (N)	CP (N)	%	Company	OP (N)	CP (N)	%
Conoil	50.00	52.48	5.0	AIICO	1.40	1.33	5.0
Cutix	3.81	4.00	5.0	Omatek	0.60	0.57	5.0
Int'l Brew	4.41	4.63	5.0	RT Briscoe	5.40	5.13	5.0
7up Bottlg	44.90	47.14	5.0	Chams	0.80	0.76	5.0
Univ. Press	6.80	7.14	5.0	Redstar Exp	4.40	4.18	5.0

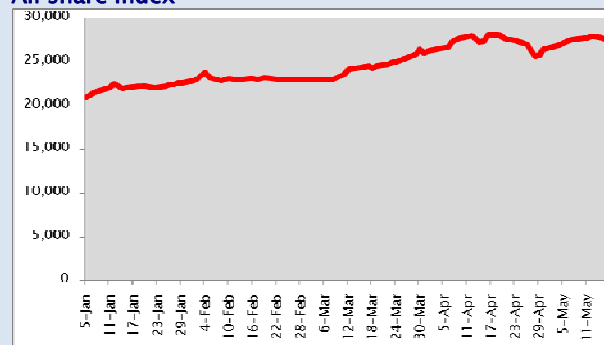
Money Market Trend

Tenor	Mon 17/05	Fri 14/05	Thurs 13/05	Wed. 12/05	Tue 11/05
Overnight	7.7083	7.8333	8.6667	7.9167	4.7083
7 Day	8.6667	8.9167	9.0000	8.8333	5.5417
30 Day	10.2917	10.5417	10.7500	9.7500	6.6700
60 Day	11.2500	11.5000	11.9167	10.8750	7.7083
90 Day	12.0417	12.4433	12.5833	11.5000	8.9167

FBN Heritage Fund @ 14 May '10

Bid Price	Offer Price
₦91.82	₦94.71

OP/CP = Opening Price /Closing Price

All share Index

NIBOR Trend
