

# Burning Economic Issues



- Brent up 0.40% to \$77.68pb
- MTN investor jitters continue to roil markets
  - NSE down 12.54% in 2018
- Naira flat at N360/\$ at parallel market
  - Appreciates marginally to N363.07/\$ at IEFX window
- On-grid power down 1% to 3,301MW/hour



### **Impact**



 Higher oil price positive for external reserves and naira



- External reserves down to \$45.42bn
- Transmission constraints now
   2,906.5MW

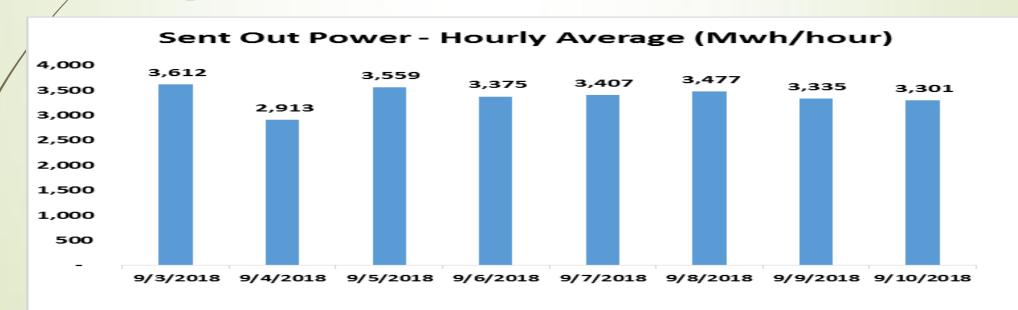


#### **Power Sector**

September 10<sup>th</sup>

State	Temperature
Abuja	25°C
Kano	29°C
Lagos	27°C

- Average power output: 3,301MW/h (down by 34MW/h)
- Gas constraint stood at 1,260.5MW while grid constraint was at 2,906.5MW. No water constraint
- Naira equivalent of power loss: N2billion (annualized at N730billion)





### Domestic Commodities Price Movement

### Relatively Elastic Goods

Commodities	Current Prices	Previous Month Prices	Directional Change	1-Year Low	1-Year High
Palm Oil (25l)	N10, 000	N10,000		N6,000	N25,000
Semovita (10kg)	N2,850	N2,900		N1,800	N3,500
Old Yam (large tuber)	N1,900	N1,900		N400	N1,900
Sugar (50kg)	N14,900	N14,900		N8,000	N20,000



#### Domestic Commodities Price Movement

#### Relatively Inelastic Goods

Commodities	Current Prices	Previous Month Prices	Directional Change	1-Year Low	1-Year High
Garri (50kg) Yellow	N6,500	N7,500		N7,000	N16,000
Rice (50kg)	N14,500	N15,500	1	N13,000	N22,000
Flour (50kg)	N11,100	N11,000		N8,500	N11,000
Beans (Oloyin)(50kg)	N27,000	N27,000		N12,000	N34,000
Cement (50kg)	N2,550	N2,550		N1,400	N2,700
Tomatoes (50kg)	N10,000	N20,000	1	N8,000	N20,000

Most domestic commodities have declined relative to the previous month



# Consumer Goods – Current price

Goods	Street price	Supermarket price	% difference	
Pepsi (50cl)	N120	N100	20%	
Beer (60cl)	N260	N300	-15.30%	
Bread Loaf	N350	N400	-12.5%	
Indomie (1 carton)	N1,900	N2,100	-15.5%	
Gala (big size)	N100	N100	0%	

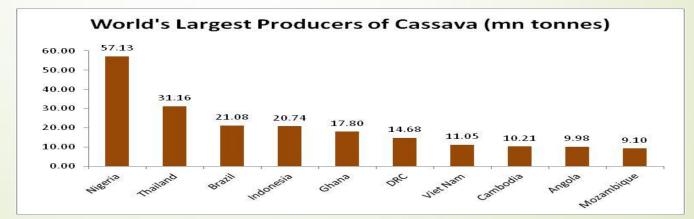
Domestic food prices remain flat



### Commodity in Focus - Cassava



- •Total global production (2016): Estimated at 277.lmn tonnes
- •World's second largest producer of tubers after China
- •World's top producers: Nigeria, Thailand, Brazil
- •World's top consumers: Nigeria, Indonesia, Brazil
- •Uses (food): garri,, fufu/akpu, cassava flour (lafun), african salad (abacha)
- •Uses (industrial): industrial starch, biofuel, alcohol, livestock feed





Source: FAOSTAT, FDC Think Tank





# Cassava Production in Nigeria

- •Total Production (2016): Estimated at 57.13mn tonnes (approx. 20.6% of global)
- •Down 1% from 2015, partly due to pastoral conflicts
- •Rank in global production: 1st
- •Potential Output: 100mn tonnes
- •Mainly cultivated in Southern & Middle Belt states- Benue, Kwara, Kogi, Delta,

Ogun, Edo

•A 50kg bag of garri in Nigeria now costs N6,500, 12-month high is N16,000



#### Stock Market

• NSE ASI **•** 0.48% to 33,449.17 on September 11<sup>th</sup>

•Consumer goods sub index 1.60% to 780.72pts

	Share Prices ( <del>N</del> )	Daily % Change (Sept 10 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup> )	YTD (% Change)
Nestle	1,485.00	<b>1</b> 9.59	<b>4</b> 2.60
Honeywell	1.52	<b>\</b>	<b>4</b> 21.10
Flour Mills	22.00	<b>4</b> 2.27	<b>4</b> 25.10
Cadbury	10.05	<b>\( \)</b>	₹ 35.86
NB	86.00	<b>4</b> .86	<b>♣</b> 35.15
Dangote Sugar	14.40	<b>1</b> 0.00	<b>34.50</b>
Unilever	46.80	<b>⇔</b> -	21.95

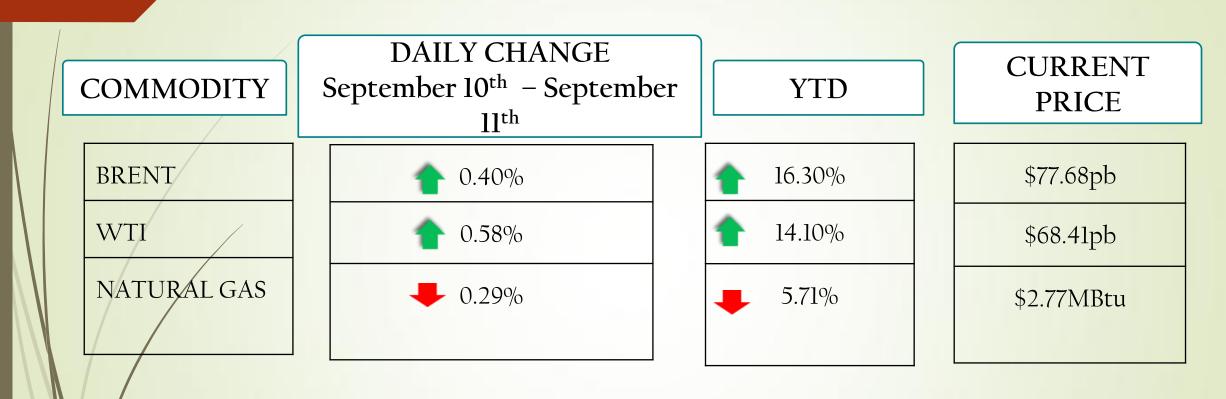


#### Oil Prices

- Brent crude up 0.40% to \$77.68pb
- Due to declining Iran exports (impact of US sanctions)
- Lower US-rig count and production disruptions in Libya & Venezuela also buoyed prices



### Oil Markets Today





### Agricultural Commodities

#### Wheat



•Wheat prices up by
0.15% to
\$5.31/bushel
•Due to a drawdown in Ukraine's
stockpiles

#### Corn



- •Corn prices down by 0.27% to \$3.61/bushel
- Pressured by robustUS output

#### Cocoa



Sugar



- •Cocoa prices down 1.96% to \$2,259/MT
- Driven by a surge in Ghana's cocoa production

•Sugar prices increased by 1.94% to 0.1101/pound

On investor bargain-hunting

### **OUTLOOK – Oil Prices**



- Prices to trade above \$77pb
- Supply disruptions in Libya and indications of declining US production likely to push up prices this week



# OUTLOOK - Agricultural Prices

GRAINS • Robust US harvest to fuel concerns of oversupply

### **SOFTS**



Price increase to be short-lived due to consistent bearish fundamentals

#### Cocoa

Higher production in Ghana likely to depress prices

