

# Burning Economic Issues



- MPC concludes 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of 2018
- Brent up 0.52% to \$81.62pb (4-year high)
- CBN revokes Skye Bank's license (Polaris Bank- new bridge bank)
- Gross external reserves decline by 5% since July to \$44.83bn
- Naira falls by approximately 1% since July at the IEFX



window (N364.28/\$)

## **Impact**



- Brent price at \$81pb is excellent for reserves and naira stability
- Production at 1.7mbpd in
   August and average price at
   \$72.64pb
- Estimated revenue in August-\$123.48mn



- Skye bank-shareholders lose N10.7bn
   as CBN injects N786bn
- Naira falling sharply, in need of support
- Reserves still falling in spite of higher oil price
- \$5bn of portfolio investment has exited since May

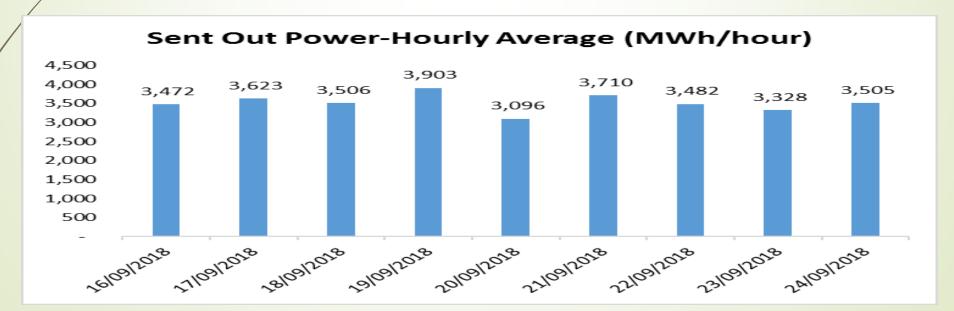


### **Power Sector**

September 24<sup>th</sup>

State	Temperature			
Abuja	25°C			
Kano	34°C			
Lagos	29°C			

- Average power output: 3,505MW/h (up by 176.93MW/h)
- Gas constraint stood at 1,000MW while grid constraint was at 2,238MW. No water constraint
- Naira equivalent of power loss: N1.55billion (annualized at N565.75billion)





## Domestic Commodities Price Movement

## Relatively Elastic Goods

Commodities	Current Prices	Previous Month Prices	Directional Change	1-Year Low	1-Year High
Palm Oil (251)	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



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### 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	-	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







### Stock Market

- NSE ASI **U** 0.27% to 32,451.27 on September 24<sup>th</sup>
- •Consumer goods sub index **U** 0.57% to 757.86pts

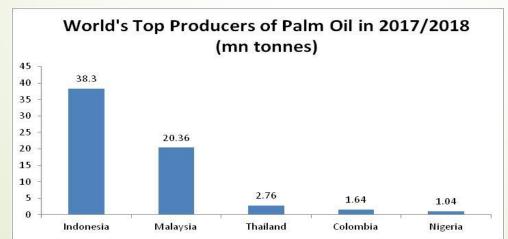
	Share Prices ( <del>N</del> )	Daily % Change (Sept 21 <sup>st</sup> -24 <sup>th</sup> )	YTD (% Change)
Nestle	1,400	<b>\Rightarrow</b>	<b>1</b> 0.03
Honeywell	1.46	4.29	<b>3</b> 0.48
Flour Mills	20.00	-	31.03
Cadbury	9.05		<b>4</b> 2.25
NB	90.00	<b>→</b> 3.23	<b>33.28</b>
Dangote Sugar	14.70	-	<b>4</b> 26.5
Unilever	45.00	<b>1</b> 4.65	9.76



## Commodity in Focus - Palm oil



- Mainly obtained from oil palm fruits
- •Total global production (2017/2018): Estimated at 70.35mn tonnes (\$43.83bn)
- •2018/2019 production forecast: 71.94mn tonnes (a 2.26% increase over 2017/18)
- •World's top producers: Indonesia, Malaysia
- •World's top consumers: Indonesia, India, EU
- •Uses: stew, sauce, soap, margarine, noodles, cosmetics



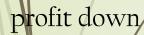


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## Palm Oil Production in Nigeria

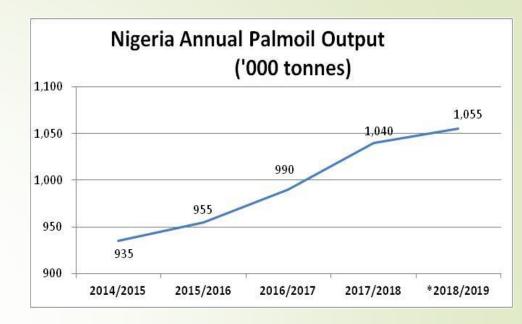
- •Palm oil output (2017/2018): 1.04mn tonnes (\$647.9mn),
- 1.5% of global output
- •Rank: Global-5th, SSA-1st
- •Leading players: Okomu Oil Plc and Presco Plc
- Palm oil producers facing challenges- Okomu & Presco



•Major producing states: Akwa Ibom, Cross River, Rivers



- •Domestic price of palm oil: N10,000/25 litre keg
- •Relatively flat compared to last month



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	Okomu			Presco		Unilever				
S	,	H1'18	H1'17	Change	H1'18	H1'17	Change	H1'18	H1'17	Change
	Revenue (N'bn)	12.94	12.47	4%	11.66	12.83	-9%	48.13	42.63	13%
	PAT (N'bn)	5.94	6.24	-5%	3.99	5.56	-28%	5.72	3.68	55%
	FCF (N'mn)	6.13	4.89	25%	-2.54	3.93	-165%	371	6,626.30	-94%

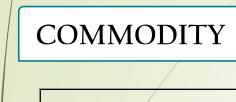


### Oil Prices

- Brent crude up 0.52% to \$81.62pb
- As OPÉC and allies ignore Trump's call for lower prices
- Ends Ministerial Monitoring Committee meeting with no pledge to boost supply
- Cartel expects increased output in September and October



## Oil Markets Today

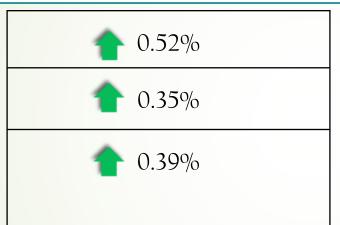


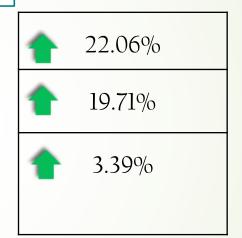
DAILY CHANGE September 24<sup>th</sup> – September 25<sup>th</sup>

YTD

## CURRENT PRICE

BRENT
WTI
NATURAL GAS





\$81.62pb \$72.33pb \$3.05MBtu



## Agricultural Commodities

### Wheat



•Wheat prices up by 0.34% to \$5.24/bushel

Driven by slowdown in Russian harvest

### Corn



•Corn prices down by 0.21% to \$3.57/bushel

Owing to expectations of increased global output

#### Cocoa



• Cocoa prices increased by 2.68% to \$2,225/MT

•On reports of a decline in cocoa output in the next harvest season

### Sugar



Sugar prices fell by3.00% to 0.1133/pound

Due to weak global demand



## **OUTLOOK – Oil Prices**



- Brent may hit above \$80pb this week
- Oil trading houses are predicting the return of \$100pb for the first time since 2014
- As capacity to replace Iranian supplies in Q4 dwindles



## OUTLOOK – Agricultural Prices

**GRAINS** • Favorable demand for US supplies to result in increased price of grains

## **SOFTS**

## Sugar

Switch of Indian mills to raw sugar would boost sugar prices

### Cocoa

Decline in cocoa harvest to push prices up in the short to medium term

