

Burning Economic Issues



- Fitch downgrades South Africa's credit rating to BB+
- Pound sinks to 28-month low
- Brent up by 0.67% to \$64.14pb
- Maira flat at N360/\$ at parallel market
- / External reserves slides to \$45bn



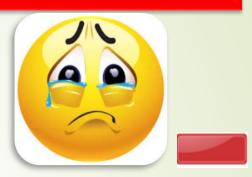
Impact

The Goodies





The Downers



- Downside risks to global growth outlook have intensified
- External reserves slides



Power Sector

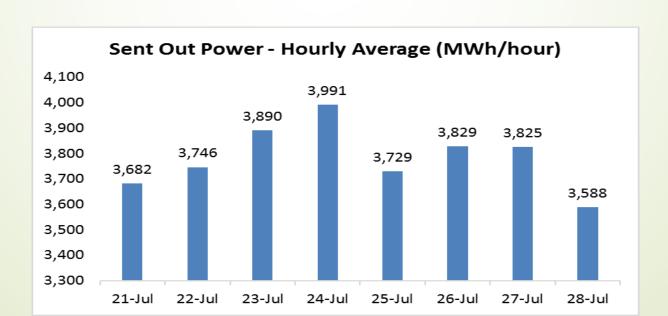
July 28th

- Average power output: 3,588 MW/h (down by 237.73MW/h)
- State Temperature(noo n-time)

 Abuja 27°C

 Kano 32°C

 Lagos 28°C
- Stations with the lowest output: Gbarain (29.98MWh/hr), Trans Amadi (33.27MWh/hour)
- Gas constraints stood at 1,405MWh/h, Grid constraint was 2,153.6MWh/h
- Naira equivalent of power loss: N1.71billion (annualized at N624.15billion)





Domestic Commodities Price Movement

Relatively Elastic Products

Commodities	Current Prices	Previous Month Prices	Directional Change	1-Year Low	1-Year High
Palm Oil (25l)	N9, 000	N9,000		N6,000	N25,000
Semovita (10kg)	N3,000	N3,000		N1,800	N3,500
Old Yam (medium size)	N1,300	N1,200		N400	N1,900
Sugar (50kg)	N14,900	N14,900		N8,000	N20,000







Domestic Commodities Price Movement

Relatively Inelastic Products

Commodities	Current Prices	Previous Month Prices	Directional Change	1-Year Low	1-Year High
Garri (50kg) Yellow	N6,250	N6,500	-	N6,150	N16,000
Rice (50kg)	N16,000	N15,000		N13,000	N22,000
Flour (50kg)	N11,500	N11,000		N8,500	N11,500
Beans (Oloyin)(50kg)	N17,000	N19,000	-	N12,000	N34,000
Cement (50kg)	N2,550	N2,550		N1,400	N2,700
Tomatoes (50kg)	N20,000	N18,000		N6,000	N20,000
Pepper (bag)	N8,500	N8,000	1	N5,000	N15,000

Most commodity prices increased due to impact of planting season



Consumer Goods – Current price

	Goods	Street price	Supermarket price	% difference
	Pepsi (50cl)	N100	N100	0%
H	eineken beer (60cl)	N300	N330	-10.00%
/ -	Bread Loaf	N350	N400	-12.5%
	Indomie (1 carton)	N2,000	N2,300	-15.0%
	Gala (big size)	N100	N100	0%



Stock Market

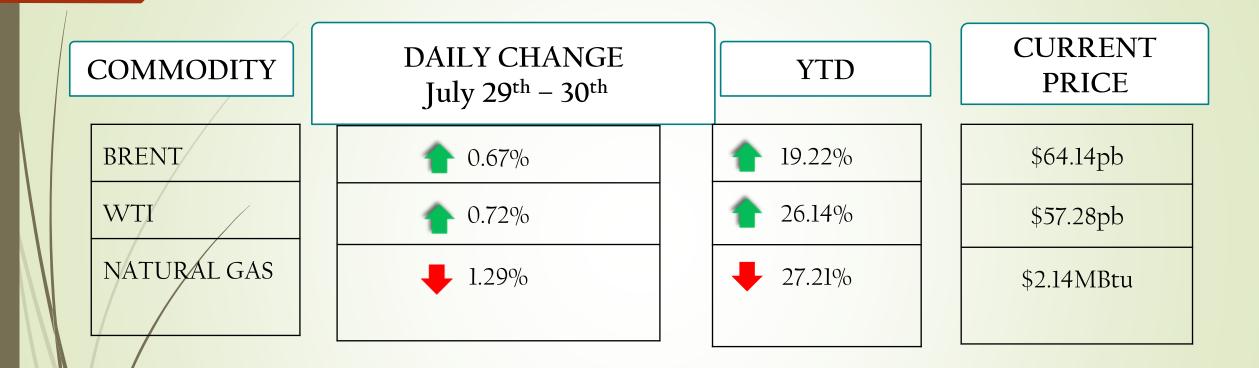
•NSE ASI • 0.11% to 27,950.36pts on July 29th

•Consumer goods sub index: • 0.39% at 580.62pts

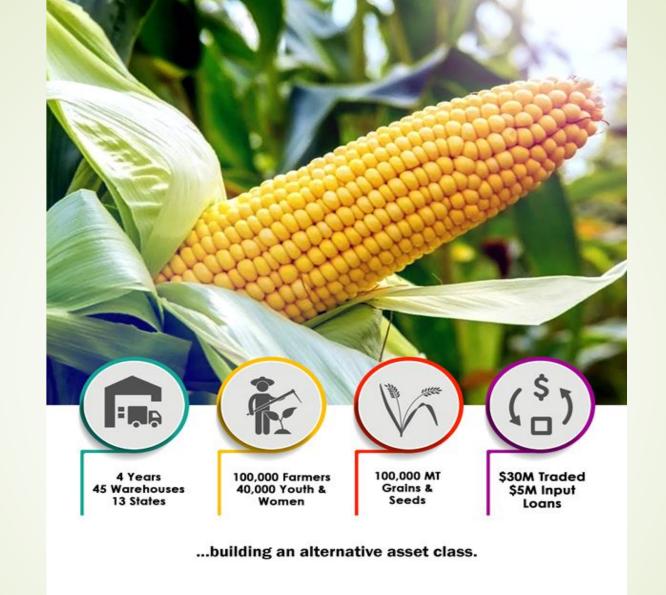
	Share Prices (N)	Daily % Change (July 26 th –29 th)	YTD (% Change)
Nestle	1,310	1 0.77	1 11.78
Honeywell	0.99	2.06	22.66
Flour Mills	14.85	-	4 35.71
Cadbury	11.40	-	14.00
Dangote Sugar	10.60	-	3 0.49
Unilever	32.00	\(\)	4 13.51
Ikeja Hotels	1.34	-	J 10.96



Oil Markets Today













Oil Prices

- Brent up by 0.67% to \$64.14pb
- Driven by:
 - Fears that slowing global growth will affect oil demand
 - Hint of mid-east tensions easing
 - Pessimism over US-China trade talks





Agricultural Commodities

Wheat



- Wheat prices up0.39% to\$190,28/tonne
- Following reports
 of a reduction in
 wheat cultivation by
 US farmers

Corn



- Corn prices rose by 0.41% to \$169.70/tonne
- Driven by a weaker US dollar

Cocoa



Sugar



- Cocoa prices jumped 3.13% to \$2,501.00/mt
- Supported by strongEuropean demand

- Sugar prices down0.40% to \$12.57/pound,
- Driven by strong global supply



OUTLOOK – Oil Prices



Brent likely to trade between \$63pb-\$65pb this week

Heightened tension in the Strait of Hormuz is expected to

continue to provide support to the market

However, rising US shale output and concerns about weak global demand could moderate gains



OUTLOOK - Agricultural Prices

GRAINS

 Prices to fall in the coming weeks on increased production as weather conditions improve

SOFTS

Sugar

• Increased ethanol production from sugarcane to lead to supply deficit and push prices up

Cocoa

• Strong demand for cocoa is projected to result to increased prices in the near term

