Burning Economic Issues



- FAAC for February 2020 down 10.15% to N581.6bn
- Brent slips 0.58% to \$27.23pb down 46% in March
- CBN PMI falls 51.1pts in March from 58.3 in February
- Airlines suspend domestic flight operations
- Panic buying continues across Lagos as non-food markets are shut
 - Global wheat prices rise amid pasta & flour stockpiling



Impact

The Goodies



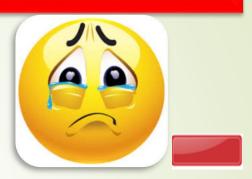


Naira stable at N400/\$ in parallel market

Domestic commodity prices

flattening out

The Downers



- IOCs cut capex by \$35bn over low oil prices
- FAAC down to lowest level since Nov'17 in spite of exchange rate gain
- Plunge in PMI means a recession is now inevitable
- Airlines suspend flight operations



Domestic Commodities Price Movement

Relatively Elastic Products

Com	modities	Current Prices	Previous Month Prices	Directional Change	1-Year Low	1-Year High
Palm	Oil (25l)	N9,000	N9,000		N9,000	N10,000
Semo	ovita (10kg)	N2850	N2850		N2,800	N3,000
New	Yam (medium size)	N900	N700		N400	N1,900
Sugai	r (50kg)	N15,200	N14,800		N13,000	N15,200

- Palm oil and Semovita prices remain flat
- Price of yam up by 28.5% seasonality and panic buying
- Sugar prices up slightly by 3% to N15,200 panic buying



Domestic Commodities Price Movement

Relatively Inelastic Products

Commodities	Current Prices	Previous Month Prices	Directional Change	1-Year Low	1-Year High
Garri (50kg) Yellow	N9,200	N8,900		N6,150	N8,900
Rice (50kg)	N27,500	N27,500		N14,000	N27,500
Flour (50kg)	N11,000	N11,000		N10,000	N11,500
Beans (Oloyin)(50kg)	N14,000	N14,000		N14,000	N25,500
Cement (50kg)	N2,600	N2,600		N1,600	N2,700
Tomatoes (50kg)	N9,000	N6,000		N6,000	N20,000
Pepper (bag)	N10,000	N8,000		N5,000	N15,000

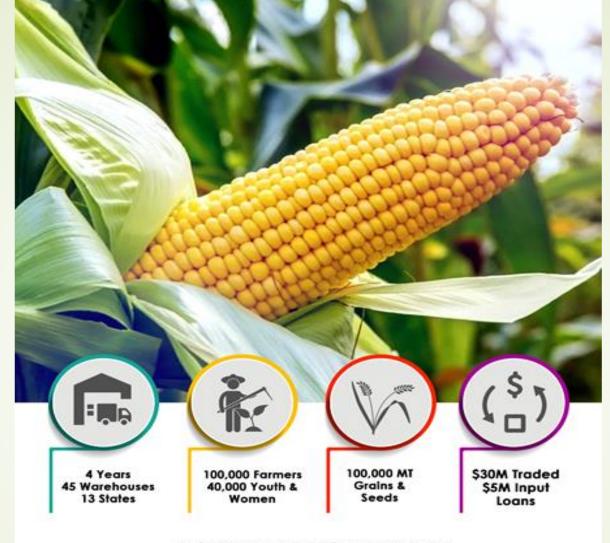
- Garri, Tomato and Pepper prices on the rise
- Triggered by panic buying on scarcity fears



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%





...building an alternative asset class.







Stock Market

- NSE ASI **U** 0.05% to 21,729.48pts on March 25th
- Consumer goods sub index: 0.17% at 342.57pts

	Share Prices (₩)	Daily % Change (March 24 th – 25 th)		YTD (% Change)	
Nestle	850	\Leftrightarrow		42.17	
Honeywell	0.83	\iff		16.16	
Flour Mills	20.8	\iff		5.58	
Cadbury	5.65	•	9.7	4 6.44	
Dangote Sugar	9.00	•	9.05	33.45	
Unilever	10.50	\iff		5 2.27	
Ikeja Hotels	0.99	\Leftrightarrow		1 1.61	



Oil Markets Today

CURRENT DAILY CHANGE **COMMODITY** YTD **PRICE** March 25th - March 26th 58.74% 0.58% BRENT \$27.23pb 60.51% WTI 1.55% \$24.11pb NATURAL GAS 1.21% 25.57% \$1.63MMBtu



Oil Prices

- Brent down 0.58% to \$27.23pb
 - On shrinking demand and rising oil output
 - \$2trn US stimulus package & weaker US dollar lending some support





Agricultural Commodities

Wheat



- Wheat prices up0.4% to\$536.75/tonne
- As lockdowns support demand for grain

Corn



- Corn rose 1.22% to \$351.5/tonne
- Driven by a rise in the demand for ethanol

Cocoa



Sugar



- Cocoa prices inched up 0.80% to \$2,275/mt
- As COVID-19 spreads across key import and export countries.

- Sugar prices Gained2.08% to \$11.27/pound
- Supported by a need for hand sanitizers in pandemic hit countries including India



OUTLOOK – Oil Prices



- Brent could trade below \$26pb in the coming days
 - As Saudi Arabia, Russia and the UAE ramp up output
 - Oil demand to fall further as more countries go into lockdown
 - Global storage capacity will be tested prices could fall below cash costs



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OUTLOOK - Agricultural Prices

GRAINS

 Prices likely to increase in the near term on the back of rising demand as the planting season commences

SOFTS

Sugar

 Prices to rise in the coming weeks as ethanol refiners switch to sanitizers

Cocoa

Increased rainfall to boost mid-crop in Ivory Coast – to push prices down in coming weeks



