# **Burning Economic Issues**

- Trade surplus in Q2 up 8.36% to \$6.56bn
- External reserves declines further (\$45.63bn)
- Naira depreciates at the IEFX window(N363.04/\$)
- On-grid power up 6.36% to 3,612MW/hour
- Brent down 0.09% to \$77.20pb
- Retail diesel price flat at N235/liter



# Impact

 Increased power output is positive for economic activities

- BAD NEWS!
- Depleting external reserves reduces
  CBN's ability to defend the naira
- Decline in Brent price is negative for fiscal and dollar revenue



Power Sector	State	Temperature					
	Abuja	25°C					
September 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Kano	29°C					
• Average power output: 3,612MW/h (up by 216.4MW/h)	Lagos	27°C					
Gas constraint stood at 1,578.5MW while grid constraint was at 2,404MW. No							
water constraint							
• Naira equivalent of power loss: N2.07 billion (annualized at N755.55billion)							
Sent Out Power - Hourly Average (MWh/h)							
3900 3819 <sup>3844</sup>							
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#### **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		N13,000	N22,000
Flour (50kg)	N11,100	N11,000		N8,500	N11,000
Beans (Oloyin)(50kg)	N27,000	N27,000	$\langle \rangle$	N12,000	N34,000
Cement (50kg)	N2,550	N2,550		N1,400	N2,700
Tomatoes (50kg)	N10,000	N20,000		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





# **Tasteful delight**

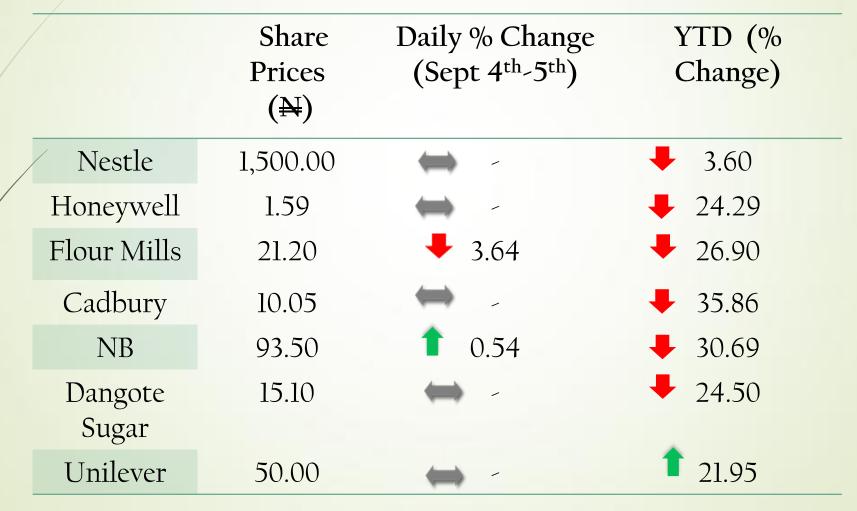




#### **Stock Market**

• NSE ASI **I** 1.49% to 34,414.37 on September 5<sup>th</sup>

•Consumer goods sub index 👕 0.25% to 803.89pts





## **Commodity in Focus - Natural Honey**

•Total global production: 1.79mn tonnes (approx. \$3.1bn)

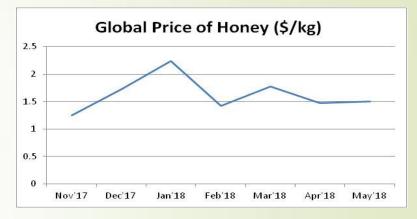
Mainly produced by bees

•World's top producers: China, Turkey, Iran

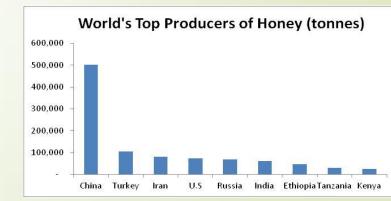
•World's top consumers: China, U.S, Turkey

Uses: Baking, substitute for sugar, skin care

•Other products from bees: wax (for cosmetics,



Source: US Dept of Commerce, FDC Think Tank





pharmaceuticals)

# **Natural Honey Production in Nigeria**

•Nigeria's honey production negligible (app. 40,000 tonnes )

•Demand: estimated at 400,000tonnes

•Demand gap: 360,000tonnes

•Potential output: 200,000tonnes

Major producing states: Adamawa, Nasarawa, Kaduna

•Listed Users: Cadbury, Nestle





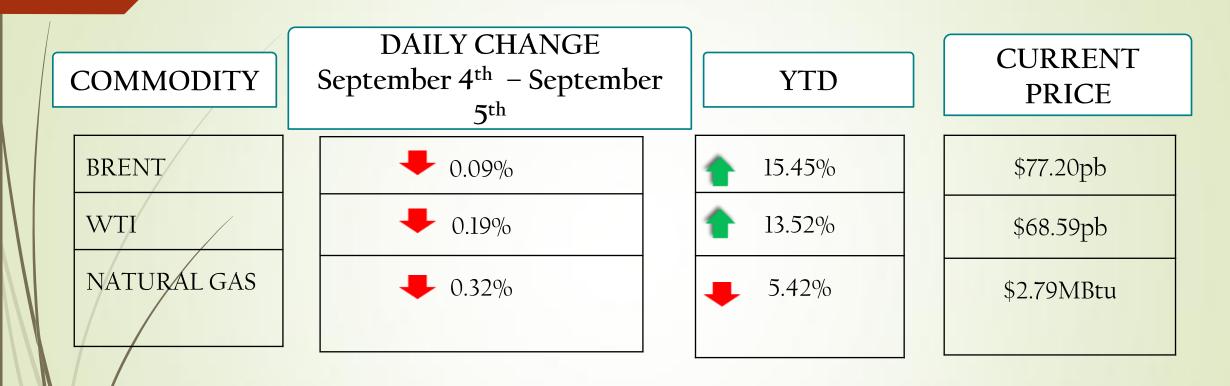


#### **Oil Prices**

- Brent crude down 0.09% to \$77.20pb
- As US Gulf tropical storm was averted from oil-producing areas
- Slide in Turkey's currency is also raising demand concerns
- OPEC is projecting global demand to reach 100mbpd by 2018-end



#### **Oil Markets Today**





# **Agricultural Commodities**



•Wheat pricesdown by 1.03% to\$5.26/bushel

•As fears of tighter global supplies ease •Corn prices down by 0.54% to \$3.66bushel

•Despite Argentina's proposed export tax •Cocoa prices down 0.94% to \$2,310/MT

• Driven by expectations of robust Ghana and Ivory Coast harvest •Sugar prices increased by 2.26% to 0.1088/pound

Despite an increase in India's sugar quota in September

# **OUTLOOK – Oil Prices**

 Decline in global demand expected to push prices to between \$72-75pb

• New clashes in Libya threaten oil infrastructure and supply



## **OUTLOOK – Agricultural Prices**

**GRAINS** • Weather conditions in top producers continue

to influence prices

# SOFTS Sugar

 Decline in India's exports likely to push prices further down

#### Cocoa

 Higher production from Ivory Coast & Ghana likely to reverse upward trend in prices

