# **Burning Economic Issues**



- Inflation eases to 11-month low of 11.22% in June
- Brent up 0.16% to \$66.59pb, production up to 1.86mbpd
- Power down to 3,411Mhw/hr below 4,000Mhw/hr threshold
- Retail price of diesel flat at N230-235/ltr
- / Naira trading at N360/\$ (parallel market)





- Falling inflation gives MPC room •
- to lower interest rates
- Brent up 6.7% to \$66.59pb in the
- last 2 weeks

Power supply below 4,000MW/h for over three weeks

The Downers

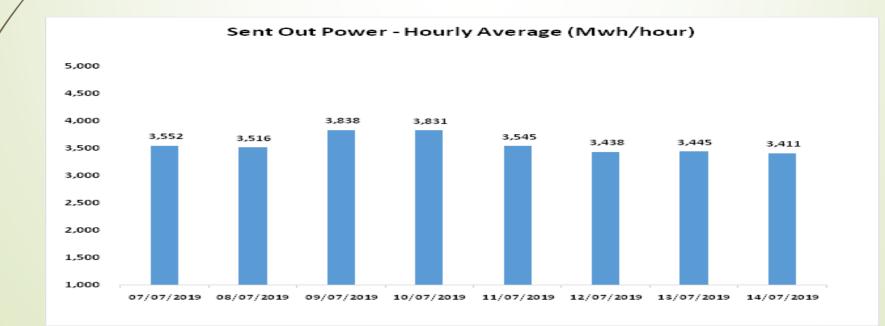
- LNG down by 18% ytd
- Chinese growth slows as tariff
- Production up 7.51% to 4-year high wars hurt of 1.86mbpd



#### **Power Sector**

July 14<sup>th</sup>

- Average power output: 3,411 MW/h (down by 34MW/h)
- Affected stations: Egbin (220MWh/hr+), Olorunsogo (379.5MWh/hour +).
- Gas constraints stood at 1,787.5MWh/h, Grid constraint was 3,094.3MWh/h
- Naira equivalent of power loss: N2.343billion (annualized at N854.1billion)



State	Temperature(noo n-time)		
Abuja	27°C		
Kano	32°C		
Lagos	28°C		

#### **Domestic Commodities Price Movement**

#### **Relatively Elastic Products**

	Commodities	Current Prices	Previous Month Prices	Directional Change	1-Year Low	1-Year High
]	Palm Oil (251)	N9, 000	N9,000		N6,000	N25,000
ľ	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		N5,000	N15,000

• Most commodity prices increased due to impact of planting season







#### HOW TO WIN

## **Consumer Goods – Current price**

[	Goods	Street price	Supermarket price	% difference
	Pepsi (50cl)	N100	N100	0%
He	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%



# **Commodity in Focus - Sesame Seeds**

•Total global production (2017): Estimated at 5.53mn tonnes (\$4.15bn)

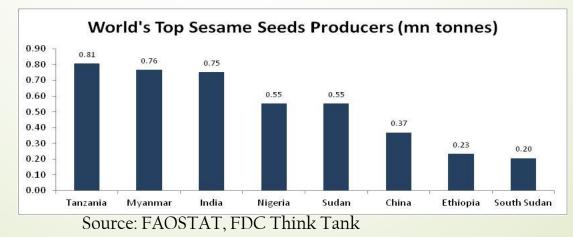
•Global output fell sharply by 9.5% compared to 2016

•Global price of sesame seeds increased in 2018 and is now trading at a range of \$1,550-\$1,650/tonne

•World's top producers: Tanzania, Myanmar, India

•World's top consumers: Tanzania, China, Sudan

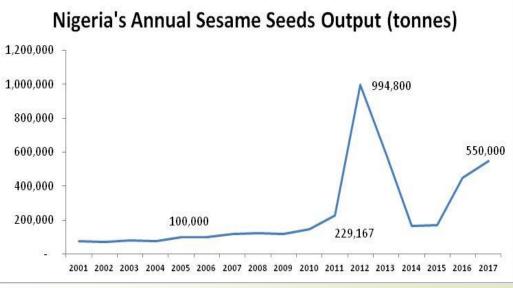
•Uses: sesame oil, sesame flour, pastry garnishing, sushi, salad





# **Sesame Seeds Production in Nigeria**

- •Nigeria's production: estimated at 550,000 tonnes (\$413mn)
- 9.95% of total global output
- Rank: largest in SSA & 4<sup>th</sup> largest in the world
- Potential output: Approx. 1mn tonnes



Source: FAOSTAT, FDC Think Tank

Mainly produced for exports to Japan, China and Turkey – major ingredient in cooking oil

•Export earnings from sesame seeds in excess of \$200mn

•Produced mainly in 9 states: Jigawa, Benue, Nassarawa, Yobe, Kano, Gombe, Plateau, Katsina, Kogi

•Pastoral conflicts in major producing states weighing on output



#### **Stock Market**

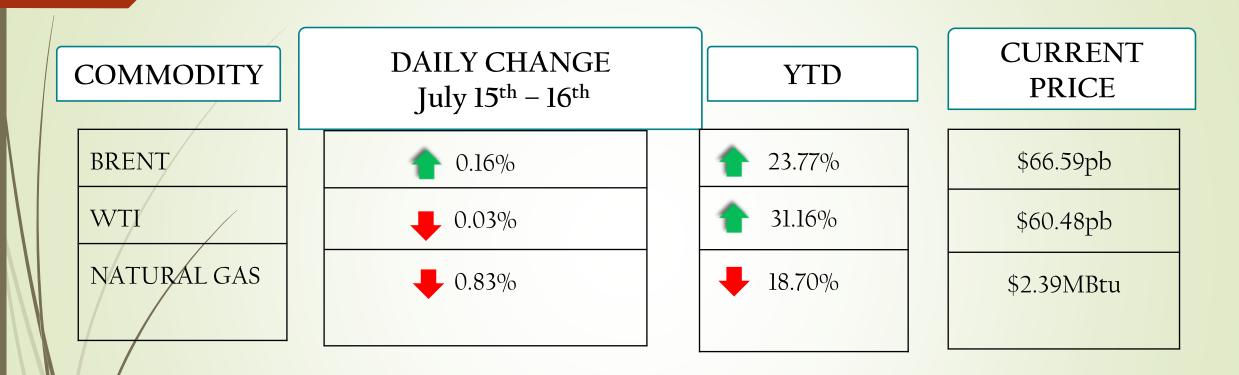
•NSE ASI **•** 0.79% to 28,341.03pts on July 15<sup>th</sup>

•Consumer goods sub index: 10.16% at 575.32pts

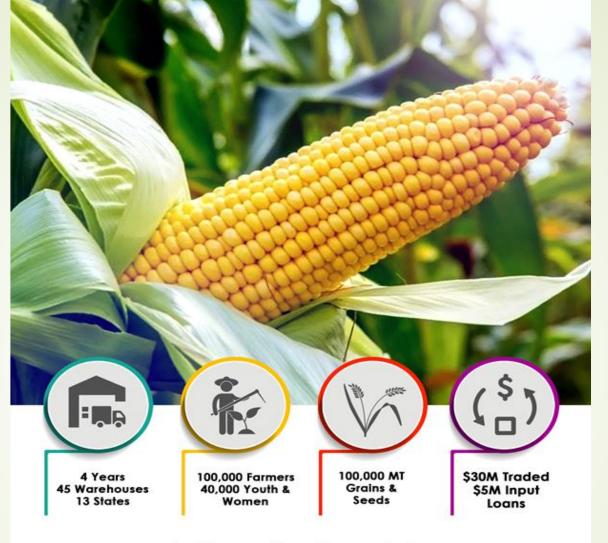
/		Share Prices ( <del>№</del> )	Daily % Change (July 12 <sup>th</sup> –15 <sup>th</sup> )	YTD (% Change)
	Nestle	1,228	<b>1</b> 0.24	➡ 17.30
	Honeywell	1.00		➡ 21.88
	Flour Mills	16.2		<b>4</b> 29.87
	Cadbury	11.05	-	<b>1</b> 9.5
	Dangote Sugar	10.35	<b>4</b> 2.36	32.13
	Unilever	33	-	➡ 10.81
	Ikeja Hotels	1.37	- (	➡ 1.96



#### **Oil Markets Today**







...building an alternative asset class.





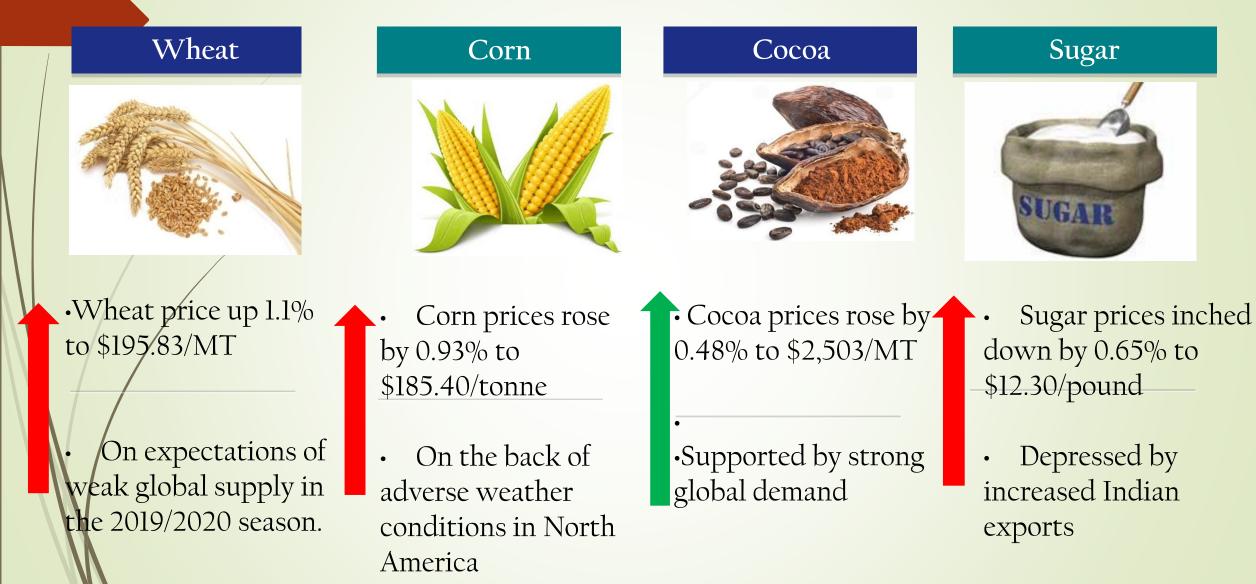


#### **Oil Prices**

- Brent up by 0.16% to \$66.59pb
- Driven by:
  - Production shut-ins in the Gulf of Mexico
  - Growing US/Iran tensions



# **Agricultural Commodities**





# **OUTLOOK – Oil Prices**

Brent likely to trade between \$65pb-\$67pb

- Slowest Chinese GDP growth in 27 years to add to concerns of
  - a slowdown in global economic growth
- OPEC's output cut extension to moderate losses



## **OUTLOOK –** Agricultural Prices

• Easing concerns about US production to push down prices in the coming weeks

SOFTS Sugar

- Prices to trend upward due to lower sugar output from Thailand
- Cocoa
- Agreement by Ghana and Ivory Coast on minimum floor price to bolster prices

