

## **Burning Economic Issues**



- Chinese currency falls below ¥7/\$
- Pound crashes to a 30-month low of \$1.21/£
- New tariffs on Chinese goods set for September 1<sup>st</sup>
- Oil price falls close to \$60pb
- External reserves falls to \$44.85bn
  - On-grid power output at a low of 3,321MW/h

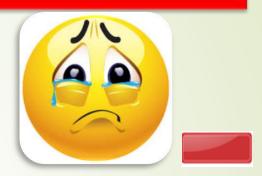


## **Impact**

#### The Goodies







- Naira appreciates temporarily to
- N359/\$/at the parallel market
- Chinese currency falls sharply
  - Accounts for 26% of Nigeria's imports

- Brent loses 7% in three trading days (\$60.45pb)
- LNG down by 28.91% ytd
- Power supply below 4,000MW/h for over one month
- Weak pound is bad for diaspora remittances



### **Power Sector**

August 4th

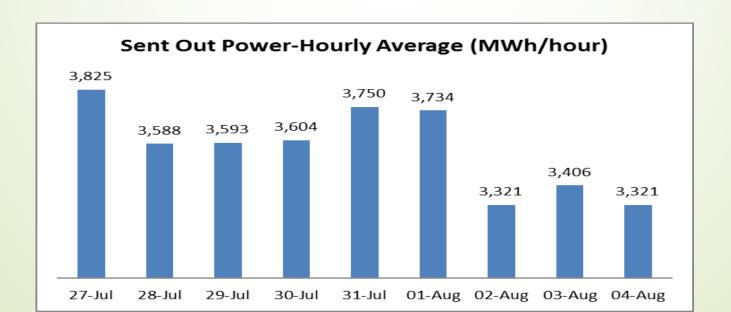
• Average power output: 3,321 MW/h (down by 85MW/h)

- State Temperature(noon-time)

  Abuja 22°C

  Kano 23°C

  Lagos 24°C
- Stations with the highest output: Egbin (332.09MWh/hour), Delta (326.9MWh/hr) and Shiroro (282.84MWh/hr).
- Gas constraints stood at 1,455MWh/h, Grid constraint was 2,603.7MWh/h
- Naira equivalent of power loss: N2.00billion (annualized at N730billion)





### Domestic Commodities Price Movement

### Relatively Elastic Products

| Commodities           | Current<br>Prices | Previous<br>Month<br>Prices | Directional<br>Change | 1-Year Low | 1-Year High |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|------------|-------------|
| Palm Oil (251)        | N9,000            | N9,000                      |                       | N6,000     | N25,000     |
| Semovita (10kg)       | N3,000            | N3,000                      |                       | N1,800     | N3,500      |
| New Yam (medium size) | N1,000            | N1,200                      | 1                     | N400       | N1,900      |
| Sugar (50kg)          | N14,900           | N14,900                     |                       | N8,000     | N20,000     |



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| Garri (50kg) Yellow  | N6,250            | N6,250                      |                       | N6,150     | N16,000     |
| Rice (50kg)          | N16,000           | N16,000                     |                       | N13,000    | N22,000     |
| Flour (50kg)         | N11,200           | N11,200                     |                       | N8,500     | N11,500     |
| Beans (Oloyin)(50kg) | N14,000           | N17,000                     | 1                     | N12,000    | N34,000     |
| Cement (50kg)        | N2,550            | N2,550                      |                       | N1,400     | N2,700      |
| Tomatoes (50kg)      | N12,000           | N20,000                     | 1                     | N6,000     | N20,000     |
| Pepper (bag)         | N8,000            | N8,500                      | 1                     | N5,000     | N15,000     |

• Most commodity prices declined due to harvest 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%           |

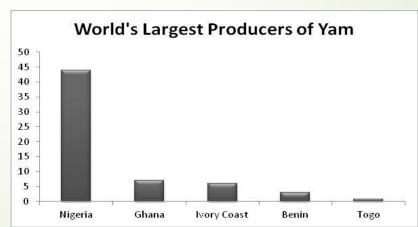


## Commodity in Focus - Yams



- •Planting to harvesting lag: 3 to 4 months
- •Total global production: Estimated at 66mn tonnes (\$46.2bn)
- •Mostly produced in West Africa
- •World's top producers: Nigeria, Ghana, Ivory Coast
- •World's top consumers: Nigeria, Ghana
- •Uses: ceremonies, boiled, yam porridge, fried, roasted, pounded, yam flour (elubo),

poundo yam







# Yam Production in Nigeria

- •Total production: 44mn tonnes (\$30.8bn)
- •66.7% of global output
- •Rank: Global-1st
- •Potential output: 80mn 100mn tonnes
- •Large scale production is feasible in almost all states of the federation
- •Top producing states: Benue, Cross River, Delta, Taraba, Nassarawa, Ebonyi, Anambra
- Threats to local production: pastoral conflicts, terrorism
- •Constraints to export: Congestion at the port, inadequate storage facilities, infestation
- •A medium sized yam tuber currently costs N1,300 in Nigeria (1 year high = N1,900)



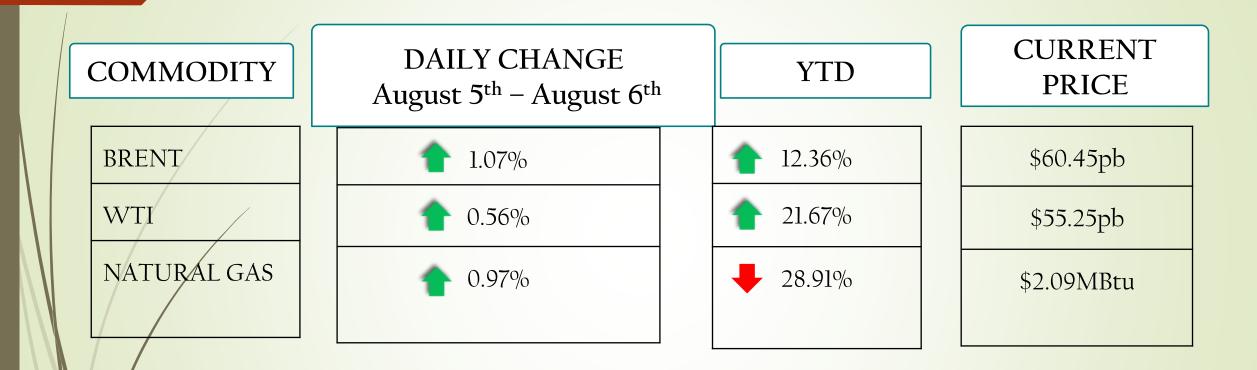
### Stock Market

- •NSE ASI **\**0.51% to 27,527.40pts on August 6<sup>th</sup>
- •Consumer goods sub index: **United** 0.12% at 548.14pts

|                  | Share<br>Prices<br>( <del>N</del> ) | Daily % Change<br>(August 5 <sup>th</sup> –6 <sup>th</sup><br>) | YTD (%<br>Change) |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|---|-------------------|
| Nestle           | 1,270                               | <b>\( \)</b>  | <b>4</b> 14.48    |
| Honeywell        | 0.95                                | <b>•</b> 5  | <b>4</b> 25.78    |
| Flour Mills      | 15.60                               | $\Longrightarrow$   | 32.47             |
| Cadbury          | 10.30                               | <b>9</b> .65  | <b>4</b> 3        |
| Dangote<br>Sugar | 9.80                                | -   | 35.74             |
| Unilever         | 32.00                               | -   | <b>1</b> 3.51     |
| Ikeja Hotels     | 1.46                                | -   | <b>4</b> .58      |



# Oil Markets Today













#### Oil Prices

- Brent up 1.07% to \$60.45pb
- Despite:
  - Escalated US/China trade war
  - Subdued global economic growth





# Agricultural Commodities

#### Wheat



- Wheat prices down 1.63% to \$482.75/bushel
- Despite reports of a reduction in the US wheat cultivation

#### Corn



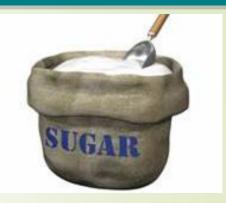
- Corn prices fellby 1.53% to\$403.25/bushel
- In spite of lower corn output in the

#### Cocoa



- Cocoa prices slipped by 0.67% to \$2,361.00/mt
- Driven by increased cocoa supplies from Ivory Coast and Ghana

#### Sugar



- Sugar prices dropped by 0.42% to \$11.97/pound
- As a result of improved weather conditions in India



### **OUTLOOK – Oil Prices**



Brent likely to trade between \$60pb-\$62pb in the coming days

China's threat to retaliate if the new tariffs go into effect

could push prices downward



# OUTLOOK - Agricultural Prices

#### **GRAINS**

Prices to increase in the coming weeks due to lower
 US wheat supplies

### **SOFTS**

### Sugar

 Sugar price is likely to rise due to a forecast of a fall in India's sugar production

#### Cocoa

 Heavier rainfall in Ivory Coast is projected to increase cocoa supply and depress prices further

