Burning Economic Issues



- July inflation up 0.26% to 12.82%
- 91-day T/Bill rate flat at 1.2% p.a.
- Brent falls to \$45.19pb on gloomy demand outlook
- Cocoa prices continue steady rise at Cameroon port as demand grows
- /External reserves slides to \$35.62bn
- CBN to resume BDC sales on resumption of international flights
- Nigeria to resume international flights on August 29



The Downers

Impact

The Goodies





- T/Bill rate minus inflation (-11.62% p.a.)
- Food inflation up 0.3% to 15.48%
- External reserves falls to \$35.62bn
- On grid power falls below 4,000 MWH/hr

- Core inflation down (10.1%)
- Limited exchange rate pass through effect on prices
- Nigeria to resume international flights on August 29



Power Sector

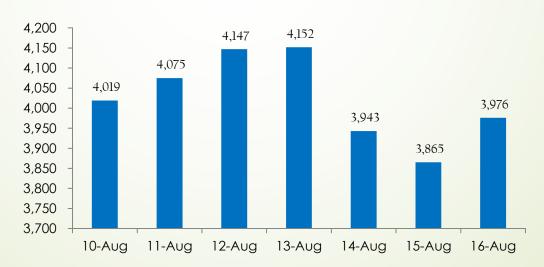
August 16th

-	Average power output: 3,976MWH/hr	(up lll.49MWH/hr)
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State	Temperature(noon-time)			
Abuja	29°C			
Kano	26°C			
Lagos	28°C			

- Gas constraints stood at 1,936.5MWh/hr, Grid constraint was 2,350MWh/hr and there was no water constraint
- Naira equivalent of power loss: N2.058billion (annualized at N751.17billion)

Power Output (MWh/hour)





Domestic Commodities Price Movement

Relatively Elastic Products

Commodities	Current Prices	Previous Month Prices	Directional Change	1-Year Low	1-Year High
Palm Oil (25l)	N12,500	N12,000		N9,000	N12,500
Semovita (10kg)	N3,400	N3,400		N2,800	N3,400
New Yam (medium size)	N1,000	N1,500		N400	N2,000
Sugar (50kg)	N17,500	N21,000	-	N13,000	N23,000

Impact of harvest season to be felt more in coming months

Rising commodity prices supported by lingering effect of domestic supply chain disruptions



Domestic Commodities Price Movement

Relatively Inelastic Products

Commodities	Current Prices	Previous Month Prices	Directional Change	1-Year Low	1-Year High
Garri (50kg) Yellow	N15,000	N12,000		N6,150	N15,000
Rice (50kg)	N28,000	N28,000		N14,000	N28,000
Flour (50kg)	N13,000	N12,700	1	N10,000	N13,000
Beans (Oloyin)(50kg)	N18,000	N17,500	1	N14,000	N25,500
Cement (50kg)	N2,600	N2,600		N1,600	N2,700
Tomatoes (50kg)	N35,000	N20,000	1	N6,000	N35,000
Pepper (bag)	N15,000	N16,000	1	N5,000	N16,000

• Increase in flour price to feed into the price of bread











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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 **4**0.27% to 25,132.67pts on August 17th
- Consumer goods sub index: 0.23% at 415.43pts

	Share Prices (N)	(A	ily % Change august 14 th – august 17 th)	YTD (% Change)
Nestle	1,175	\Leftrightarrow	_	4 20.06
Honeywell	0.92	•	3.16	7.07
Flour Mills	18.30	\iff		7.11
Cadbury	7.80	•	4.70	4 26.07
Dangote Sugar	12.30	•	3.36	9 .56
Unilever	13.75	•	10	→ 37.5
Ikeja Hotels	0.84	\Leftrightarrow		4 25



Oil Markets Today

COMMODITY

DAILY CHANGE August 17th – August 18th

YTD

CURRENT PRICE

BRENT

WTI

NATURAL GAS

0.40%

0.51%

0.51%

31.53%

30.12%

6.39%

\$45.19pb

\$42.67pb

\$2.33MMBtu



Oil Prices



- Brent down 0.40% to \$45.19pb
 - WTI down 0.51% to \$42.67pb
- Despite prospects of huge Chinese import of US crude oil
- Global demand concerns capped price gains as new confirmed cases threaten economic recovery



Agricultural Commodities

Wheat



- Wheat prices increased by 0.93% to \$514.25/bushel
- Amid inventory shortage in Ukraine and Russia

Corn



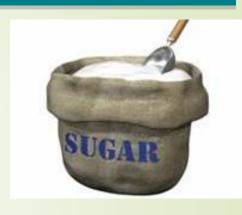
- Corn rose 1.04% to \$341.50/bushel
- Despite bumper harvest in the US

Cocoa



- Cocoa prices declined
 by 1.05% to \$2,454/mt
- Due to prospect of increased supply in Ghana

Sugar



- Sugar prices rose by 0.46% to \$13.16/pound
- On reduced global supply





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OUTLOOK – Oil Prices



- Brent likely to trade between \$44-\$45pb
- On OPEC's forecast of decline in global oil demand



OUTLOOK - Agricultural Prices

GRAINS

SOFTS

- Declining wheat output to induce price fall
- Strong US harvests to suppress corn prices

Sugar

Poor inventory estimates in Pakistan to push up prices

Cocoa

• Boost in Ghanaian output to keep prices depressed

