

# DAILY CURRENCY UPDATE

Tuesday, 14 May 2019

DOMESTIC MARKET ACTIVITY AS ON 13-05-2019							
Currency Pairs	Open Interest	% Chg	Total Trade Volume	% Chg	No of Contracts Traded	% Chg	
USDINR	3218831	+14.00	22760.83	+45.90	3227957	+45.08	
EURINR	73918	+13.84	761.36	+35.83	95971	+34.99	
GBPINR	54040	+66.43	1390.16	+14.79	151508	+14.12	
JPYINR	45707	+20.16	297.77	-5.16	46287	-5.76	

#### **CURRENCY UPDATES**

- **DOLLAR INDEX** The dollar hit a four-month high against the Chinese Yuan but was lower against the yen and Swiss franc early Monday in Europe as the worsening trade conflict between the U.S. and China prompted bids for 'safe-haven' assets. At 03:00 AM ET (0700 GMT), the dollar was at 109.73 yen, down 0.2% from late Friday, and having dipped as low as 109.60 overnight. That was just a little above the three-month low that the pair hit on Friday as a fresh round of U.S. tariffs on Chinese imports came into force. The dollar hit a new four-month high against the Yuan of 6.8654 overnight. Over the weekend, President Donald Trump initiated a process to levy 25% tariffs on all remaining untouched Chinese imports, but the two sides continued to negotiate, avoiding an all-out breakdown of the talks. It's still unclear what form China's promised retaliation will take.
- EUR/USD EUR/USD is flat at the start of the new trading week. Currently, the pair is trading at 1.1229, down 0.04% on the day. There are no data releases out of the euro zone or the U.S., so we can expect the pair to continue to drift on Monday. On Tuesday, Germany and the euro zone release ZEW Economic Sentiment and we'll also get a look at German CPI. The trade war between the U.S. and China escalated last week, as the U.S. slapped China with new tariffs on Friday. The move raised tariffs on some \$200 billion in Chinese goods from 10% to 25%. The move was announced a week ago, and global equity markets have responded with sharp swings. However, the reaction of the currency markets has been muted, and EUR/USD ended the week with slight gains. China is yet to retaliate with counter tariffs on U.S. goods, but has allowed the Chinese Yuan to fall to its lowest level in four months. A lower Yuan makes Chinese exports more competitive and will help cushion the effect of the new U.S. tariffs. Despite the dramatic rise in tariffs and the Chinese promise to retaliate, talks between the sides continue, with officials scheduled to meet in Beijing. The new tariffs do not apply to Chinese goods that left port prior to May 10, affording a 2-week window for negotiators before the tariffs take effect.

#### **TECHNICAL LEVELS**

Currency Pairs	Fut. Closed	% Chg	S2	<b>S1</b>	Pivot	R1	R2
USD-INR	70.66	+0.88	69.94	70.30	70.49	70.85	71.04
EUR-INR	79.47	+0.89	78.68	79.08	79.30	79.70	79.92
GBP-INR	92.03	+0.92	90.87	91.45	91.76	92.34	92.65
JPY-INR	64.46	+0.94	63.75	64.11	64.30	64.66	64.85



#### **CURRENCY IN FOCUS**

### **GBP-INR (May)**



Technical Strategy: Buy GBP -INR May AT 91.78 -91.75 with SL below 91.55 TP-92.05/92.25.

Major Economic Data and Events Schedule For 14-05-2019						
Time	Currency	Economic Indicators	Forecast	Previous	Possible Impact	
2:00pm	GBP	Average Earnings Index 3m/y	3.4%	3.5%	High	

Impact -HighMediumLow

**Note:** Economic data expectations are based on median forecast by economists or Reuters and Bloomberg survey. Here positive impact indicates currency could appreciate and negative indicates currency could depreciate in comparison with US Dollar.





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