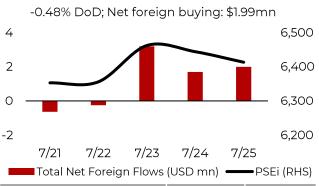
The Morning View

July 28, 2025

Philippine Stock Exchange Index



| | Level | DoD |
|--------------------------|----------|-----------|
| PSEi | 6,413.18 | -0.48% |
| 3-mo bond yield | 5.41% | -0.55 bps |
| 2-yr bond yield | 5.70% | -0.60 bps |
| 5-yr bond yield | 5.97% | -0.53 bps |
| 10-yr bond yield | 6.24% | -0.41 bps |
| USDPHP | 57.11 | +0.81% |
| Oil (Brent, \$ / barrel) | 68.44 | -1.07% |

The Bureau of the Treasury (BTr) reported that the National Government's (NG) gross borrowing rose to Php263.99 billion (+78.16% YoY) in June, driven by higher domestic and foreign debt. Gross external debt increased to Php96.41 billion (+514.09%), while gross domestic debt grew to Php167.58 billion (+26.50%). As of 1H25, gross borrowing rose to Php1.59 trillion (+1.33% YoY).

Manila Electric Co.'s (PSE Ticker: MER) Chief Executive Officer Manuel Pangilinan said he expects FY25 earnings to be higher than Php45.1 billion in FY24. He added that he hopes the listing of MGen Renewable Energy, Inc., through a backdoor listing via SP New Energy Corp., will proceed within the year.

Local equities declined amid investors' profit-taking and cautious trading ahead of President Marcos' State of the Nation Address today. The PSEi closed at 6,413.18 (-0.48% DoD).

Local fixed income yields slightly fell ahead of the BTr's Php20 billion reissuance of 20Y T-bonds and the US Fed's policy decision this week. On average, yields fell by 0.39 bps, with the 2Y closing at 5.70% (-0.60 bps) and the 10Y closing at 6.24% (-0.41 bps).

The **Philippine peso** weakened as investors digested the below-consensus jobless claims and higher-than-anticipated business activity data in the US, which tempered bets that the Fed could cut sooner. This was also amid the seasonal increase in importation activities. The USD/PHP pair closed at 57.11 (+0.81% DoD).

The US and the European Union (EU) struck a framework trade agreement, including a 15% import tariff on most EU goods. The EU will also invest \$600 billion in the US and increase its purchases of US energy and military equipment. Lastly, the US maintained its 50% tariffs on steel and aluminum.

US core capital goods unexpectedly fell by 0.7% MoM in June (Revised May: +2.0%; Consensus: +0.1%). This was likely attributable to the uncertainty over where tariff levels will settle, which caused some businesses to hold off on capital expenditures.

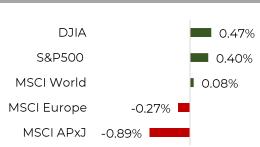
US equities rose to new record highs, and **US Treasury yields** were a little changed as investors continued to monitor global trade negotiations. The market also turned optimistic after EU President Ursula von der Leyen announced a meeting with US President Donald Trump over the weekend.

The S&P 500 closed at a record high of 6,388.64 (+0.40% DoD), while the DJIA ended at 44,901.92 (+0.47% DoD).

On average, yields fell by 0.08 bps, with the 2Y closing at 3.93% (+0.90 bps) and the 10Y closing at 4.39% (-0.80 bps).

The **US dollar** strengthened as markets continued to digest the lower-than-anticipated jobless claims, supporting bets of a rate pause in the Fed's upcoming meeting. The DXY closed at 97.65 (+0.28% DoD)

Global Stock Indices



-2.00% -1.00% 0.00% 1.00% 2.00%

| Level | DoD |
|-----------|---|
| 6,388.64 | +0.40% |
| 44,901.92 | +0.47% |
| 4.36% | +0.10 bps |
| 3.93% | +0.90 bps |
| 3.96% | -0.20 bps |
| 4.39% | -0.80 bps |
| 97.65 | +0.28% |
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