

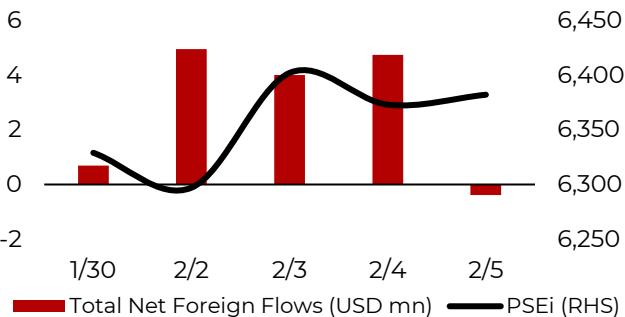


# The Morning View

February 6, 2026

## Philippine Stock Exchange Index

+0.14% DoD; Net foreign selling: \$0.39mn



**The Philippine headline inflation accelerated to 2.0% in January (December: 1.8%), faster than consensus estimates of 1.8%.** The drivers for the hotter print were: (1) utilities (electricity, rentals, LPG), and (2) restaurants and accommodation services. Meanwhile, food inflation cooled amid the continued YoY decline in rice prices and cooler vegetable inflation.

**RL Commercial REIT, Inc.'s (PSE Ticker: RCR) distributable income jumped to Php2.4 bn (+42% YoY) in 4Q25, taking the FY25 figure to Php8.0 bn (+31% YoY).** This was driven by revenues surging to Php11.1 bn (+35% YoY) in FY25, amid five months' worth of contributions from the nine malls acquired last year, alongside a stable occupancy rate of 96%. However, earnings per share is estimated to have declined to Php0.41 in FY25 (FY24: Php1.40).

**Local equities** inched higher, **local fixed income yields** ended mixed, and the **Philippine peso** strengthened after PH inflation jumped to an 11-month high of 2.0%, which did not sway the market's view that the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas could deliver a rate cut in February.

The PSEi closed at 6,382.04 (+0.14% DoD).

On average, yields fell by 0.90 bps, with the 2Y closing at 5.16% (-0.94 bps) and the 10Y closing at 5.96% (+0.39 bps).

The USD/PHP pair closed at 58.69 (-0.47% DoD).

**US job openings fell by 386,000 to 6.542 million in December (Consensus: 7.250 million), the lowest level since September 2020.** This was attributed to declines in professional and business services (-257,000), retail trade (-195,000), and finance and insurance (-120,000). Meanwhile, the November figure was revised downwards to 6.928 million from previously 7.146 million.

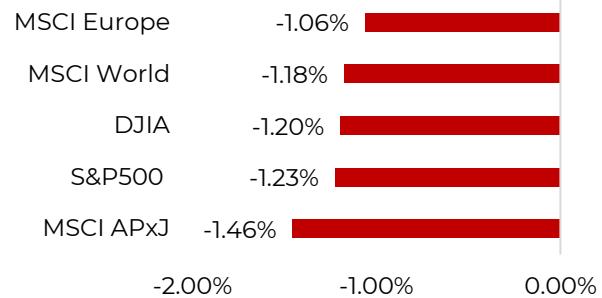
**Moody's Ratings lowered its credit outlook on Indonesia to 'Negative' from 'Stable' on lower predictability in policymaking.** Moody's stated that Indonesia's Baa2 rating could be downgraded if the government does not address fiscal pressures, weakening foreign reserves, and debt concerns of state-owned firms.

**US equities** declined amid concerns on tech firms' massive AI capital expenditure spending plans. The S&P 500 closed at 6,798.40 (-1.23% DoD), while the DJIA ended at 48,908.72 (-1.20% DoD).

**US Treasury yields** dropped after a series of weak US labor market data, including (1) the higher-than-anticipated jobless claims, (2) the lackluster December job openings, and (3) the record-high January layoffs. These reports raised bets of further easing from the Federal Reserve. On average, yields fell by 7.24 bps, with the 2Y closing at 3.46% (-10.20 bps) and the 10Y closing at 4.18% (-9.60 bps).

The **US dollar** strengthened following the dovish guidance from the Bank of England and the European Central Bank after holding policy rates steady. The DXY closed at 97.82 (+0.21% DoD).

## Global Stock Indices



-2.00%      -1.00%      0.00%

	Level	DoD
S&P 500	6,798.40	-1.23%
DJIA	48,908.72	-1.20%
3-mo US Treasury yield	3.67%	-1.30 bps
2-yr US Treasury yield	3.46%	-10.20 bps
5-yr US Treasury yield	3.72%	-11.10 bps
10-yr US Treasury yield	4.18%	-9.60 bps
DXY	97.82	+0.21%

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