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Daily Currency outlook

| Recommendation in the report | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Curreny Pair Contract Action Price Target Stoploss Duration | | | | | | |
| US\$INR | March futures | Buy | 72.49 | 72.75 | 72.35 | 1 day |

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Daily Snapshot



| INR Futures | | | | | |
|------------------|--------|------------|----------|--|--|
| Currency | Close | Pvs. Close | % Change | | |
| US\$-INR | 72.42 | 72.37 | 0.05 | | |
| EUR-INR | 86.07 | 86.37 | -0.30 | | |
| GBP-INR | 100.00 | 100.63 | -0.63 | | |
| JPY-INR (Future) | 66.76 | 66.70 | 0.06 | | |

| Global Bonds | | | | | |
|-----------------|-------|------------|----------|--|--|
| Indices | Close | Pvs. Close | % Change | | |
| India 10 Year | 6.14 | 6.18 | -0.58 | | |
| India 2 Year | 4.59 | 4.64 | -1.08 | | |
| US 10 Year | 1.61 | 1.67 | -3.66 | | |
| US 2 Year | 0.15 | 0.15 | 1.36 | | |
| Germany 10 Year | -0.35 | -0.31 | 13.92 | | |

FII & FPI Activities

| Segment | Purchase | Sell | Net Rs. crores |
|---------|----------|------|----------------|
| Equity | 7466 | 7189 | 277 |
| Debt | 564 | 185 | 379 |
| Net | | | 656 |

 After a few days of appreciation, the rupee witnessed some selling from its monthly highs and closed near 72.42 levels. Weakness was seen in most EM currencies

 The dollar index on Tuesday rallied to a two-week high ahead of Jerome Powell's testimony. The index reclaimed 92 levels as weakness in stocks on Tuesday increased the liquidity demand for the dollar

The Nifty continued to remain positive in a highly volatile day and closed with a gain of near 0.50%. The up move was led by banking and cement stocks while selling pressure was seen in metals and FMCG stocks

On Tuesday, the Bank Nifty remained sluggish in the first half but witnessed gradual buying in the later part. The Bank Nifty managed to close above its major Call base of 34000 with the help of select private sector heavyweights

 Foreign institutional investors (FII) remained net buyer to the tune of ₹ 656 crore on March 22. They bought worth ₹ 277 crore in the equity market and bought worth ₹ 379 crore in the debt market

Source: Bloomberg, Reuters, ICICI Direct Research

Rupee Outlook and Strategy



| US\$INR futures on NSE | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-------|----------|---------|---------|------------|-------|
| 0 | LTP | chng (%) | 01 | | (%) change | |
| Contracts | | | | Vol | 01 | Vol |
| Mar | 72.54 | 0.15 | 2802288 | 2650625 | 0.81 | 40.77 |
| Apr | 72.97 | 0.16 | 1613260 | 1048605 | 27.08 | 76.51 |
| Mar-Apr | 0.43 | - | - | 1602020 | - | |

Due to a sudden rise in the Dollar index the US\$INR pair's moved higher as most EM currencies depreciated. However, depreciation could be limited and the rupee is likely to trade in a range due to aggressive Call writing in OTM strikes and weakness in crude oil prices

 The dollar-rupee March contract on the NSE was at ₹ 72.54 in the last session. The open interest increased by almost 0.8% for the March series

| Pivot levels | | | | | | |
|---------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|
| Futures | \$2 | S1 | Pivot | R1 | R2 | |
| US\$INR (Mar) | 72.26 | 72.40 | 72.50 | 72.65 | 72.75 | |
| US\$INR (Apr) | 72.69 | 72.83 | 72.94 | 73.08 | 73.18 | |
| EURINR (Mar) | 86.41 | 86.44 | 86.46 | 86.48 | 86.50 | |
| EURINR (Apr) | 86.89 | 86.94 | 87.02 | 87.08 | 87.16 | |
| GBPINR (Mar) | 99.46 | 99.69 | 100.08 | 100.31 | 100.71 | |
| GBPINR (Apr) | 99.85 | 100.11 | 100.46 | 100.72 | 101.07 | |
| JPYINR (Mar) | 66.62 | 66.65 | 66.68 | 66.70 | 66.73 | |
| JPYINR (Apr) | 66.97 | 67.03 | 67.13 | 67.19 | 67.29 | |

US\$INR Strategy

| US\$INR Mar futures contract (NSE) | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Buy US\$INR in the range of 72.48-72.50 | Market Lot: US\$1000 | | | | |
| Target: 72.65/ 72.75 | Stop Loss: 72.35 | | | | |
| Support: 72.30/72.20 | Resistance: 72.60/72.90 | | | | |

Note: The given recommendation in this report is intraday and should not be linked with positional view & recommendations given in Monthly currency Derivatives and Positional Currency report which may have different view.





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