

**Currency Report – 08 Jan 2020****Table-6: Currency Movement - FOREX Rates**

Currency	01-01-2020	01-08-2021	Wk-on-Wk % Change
Indian Rupee (INR) RBI ref rate	73.03	73.33	0.41
Euro (EUR)	1.21	1.22	0.83
Japanese Yen (JPY)	103.24	103.97	0.71
Brazilian Real (BRL)	5.19	5.42	4.43
Chinese Yuan (CNY)	6.53	6.47	-0.92
Singapore Dollar (SGD)	1.33	1.32	-0.75
Tanzanian Shilling (TZS)	2319.00	2319.00	0.00
Thai Baht (THB)	29.99	30.15	0.53
Mozambique New Metical (MZN)	74.20	74.60	0.54
Vietnam Dong (VND)	23080.00	23067.00	-0.06
Indonesian Rupiah (IDR)	14214.00	14020.00	-1.36
West African Franc (XOF)	530.50	532.70	0.41
Ghanaian New Cedi (GHS)	5.90	5.87	-0.51

Symbol	Support S1	S2	Resistance (R1)	R2
USDINR	73.00	72.75	73.70	74.00
USDBRL	5.30	5.20	5.50	5.60
USDVND	23000	23050	23100	23150

**Rupee is likely to trade sideways in the near term**

- Indian rupee last week traded in the region of 72.81 and 73.47 and finally settled the week at 73.24 against the dollar.
- Technically rupee is well poised to appreciate further and to test the lower support in the region of 72.45 and 72 going forward. On the higher side 73.70 and 74 will act strong resistance.
- Rupee weakened to 73.47 due to resurgent dollar index and on rise in crude oil prices. But pared most of the losses towards the weekend owing to continued FII inflows in to the market.
- India's current account was in surplus in Q1 and Q2 of this FY 2020-21, due to draw down in imports. With the economy bouncing back current account surplus to shrink considerably going forward.
- Hence, RBI may not intervene in the market aggressively going forward.

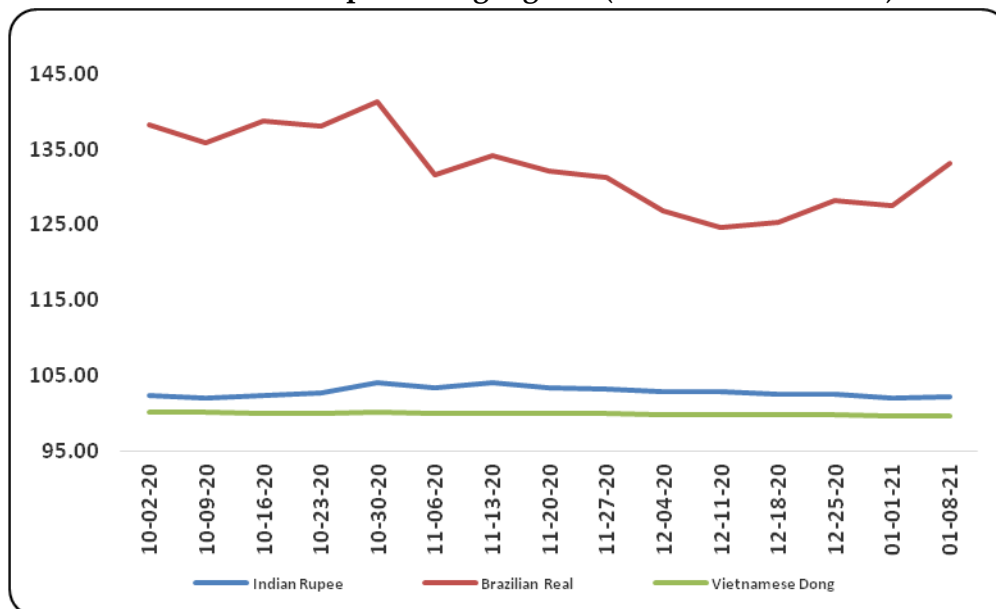
## Brazil real may stay range-bound going forward

- Brazil real last week traded in the region of 5.1199 and 5.4398 and finally settled the week at 5.4184 against the dollar index.
- As long as 5.45-5.50 is not violated on weekly closing basis, the appreciating trend of real to remain intact.
- Support is seen in the region of 530 and 5.20 in the near term.
- Economy is seen improving and now the government is focusing on vaccination to curb covid.
- One can foresee real to trade in the broader region of 5 and 5.60 in the coming one to two months time period.

## Vietnam dong is likely to stay neural

Vietnam dong last week traded in the region of 23130 and 23063.50 and settled the week at 23066 as on Jan-08. Dong may trade in the broader region of 23000 and 23150 going forward.

## Comparative Movement of Currencies Oct-2020 to 08-Jan-2021 Vis-à-vis USD in cashew processing regions (value indexed to 100)



## Brazil

- There are two varieties of cashew trees in Brazil: giant and dwarf. In the state of Ceará, the largest cashew producer in Brazil, there was a reduction of 165,809 hectares in the area cultivated with giant cashew trees from 2008 to 2020. On the other hand, the area with dwarf cashew trees increased from 43,143 hectares in 2008 to 92,105 hectares in 2020, which represents an increase of 48,962 hectares in 12 years.

- In 2020 the average productivity obtained in the areas cultivated with the dwarf cashew varieties was 534 kg of raw cashew nut / hectare, while only 203 kg / hectare in the giant cashew varieties.
- The total production of RCN nuts in Ceará, the largest Brazilian producer, was 85,177 tons, representing a decrease of 2.83% in relation to the 2019 harvest (87,659 tons).
- In 2020 Brazilian RCN production figure is expected to be between 145,000 and 150,000. The harvest is expected to last until the end of January, and the prices of RCN (farm gate) have varied in the last fortnight from BRL 3.20 / kg to 5.10 / kg (US\$ 0.59/kg to 0.94/kg) .

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## Cote d'ivoire rainfall data

Place	October		November		December (1-20)	
	Cumulative Rainfall (mm)	No of rainy days	Cumulative Rainfall (mm)	No of rainy days	Cumulative Rainfall (mm)	No of rainy days
Abidjan	227.92	30	213.50	30	53.40	20
Daoukro	210.90	30	114.10	29	81.70	20
San-Pedro	260.40	30	307.00	30	122.00	20
Dimbokro	220.50	30	96.49	29	47.20	19
Sequela	295.80	28	65.90	21	161.50	19
Sinfra	242.40	30	173.10	29	71.20	20
Gagnoa	242.50	30	169.90	29	70.30	20
Tingrela	110.80	19	0	0	0	0
Bondoukou	148.20	27	16.10	6	10.20	6
Toumodi	190.60	30	101.20	29	49.50	19
Katiola	233.30	27	20.30	16	48.15	13
Bouake	278.80	27	19.20	16	47.40	14
Korhogo	214.40	22	0	0	5.90	6
Man	311.20	28	73.10	22	162.40	19

Odiene	291.90	23	0.20	1	3.80	2
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