



# RESERVE BANK OF MALAWI

## FINANCIAL MARKET DEVELOPMENTS

(In Millions of Malawi Kwacha, unless otherwise specified)

Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> May 2020

### A. THE BANKING SYSTEM LIQUIDITY EXPECTATIONS

#### i. Liquidity Conditions

	Projections		Actuals
	Today	Week ending 11 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	8 <sup>th</sup> May 2020
Autonomous Transactions (+= Net injection / - = Net withdrawal)	-37,497	-22,406	
Excess Reserves before OMO	-32,766	-25,925	
Excess Reserves after OMO			4,731
Required Reserves	47,338	47,338	47,338

#### ii. Known Projected Transactions

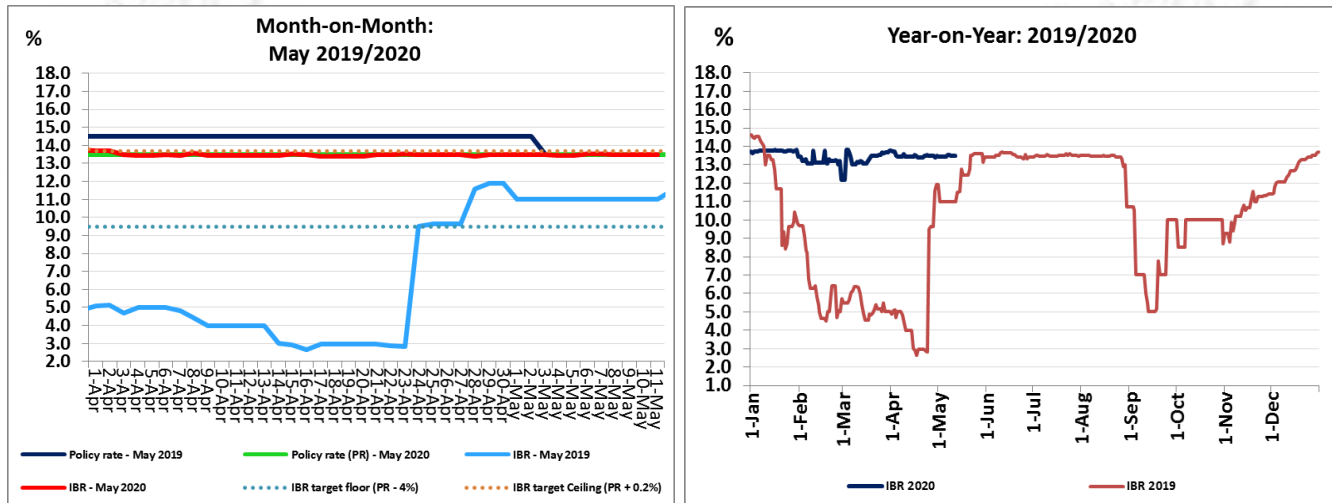
	Week ending 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	Week ending 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2020	Week ending 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	End Month May 2020
Maturity of normal TBs/TNs/PNs	11,021	5,478	3,417	27,462
Maturity of OMO Repos	0	0	0	0

### B. INTER-BANK MARKET DEVELOPMENTS

#### i. Previous Trading Day's Domestic Money Market Activity

(a) Inter-bank borrowing	Volume (Mk' bn)	Average rate (%)
O/N	2.90	13.49
7 days	-	-
28 days	-	-
<b>(b) RBM Open market operations</b>		
(i) Repos		
O/N	-	-
7 days	-	-
14 days	-	-
30 days	-	-
60 days	-	-
91 days	-	-
(ii) Reverse Repos		
7 days	-	-
30 days	-	-
60 days	-	-
<b>(c) Access on the Lombard Facility</b>	31.65	13.70

## Weighted Average Interbank Rates

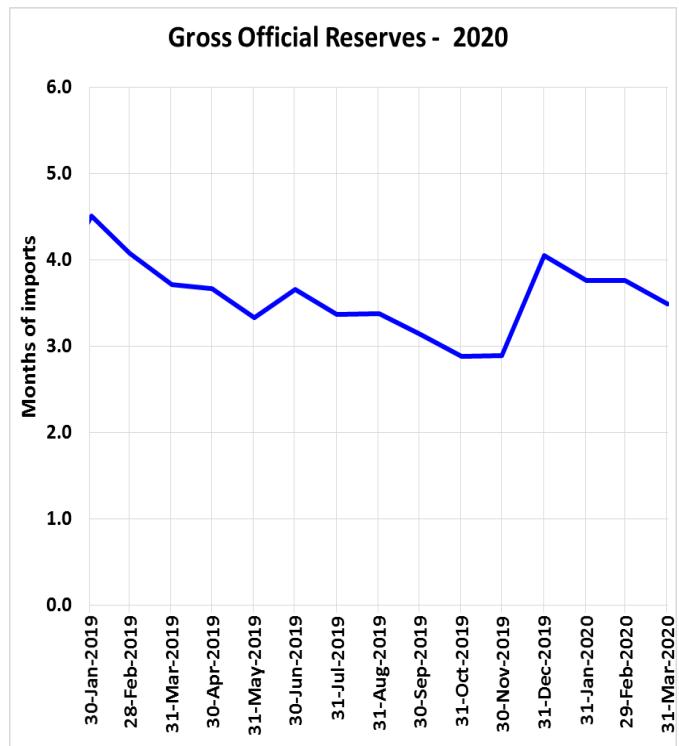


## C. FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET DEVELOPMENTS

### i. Gross Official Foreign Reserves Position (Foreign reserves under the direct control of the Central Bank)

Date (US\$ million)	Reserves (US\$ million)	Import Cover * (Months)
30 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2019	766.10	3.67
31 <sup>st</sup> May 2019	696.30	3.33
30 <sup>th</sup> Jun 2019	765.82	3.66
31 <sup>st</sup> Jul 2019	704.14	3.37
30 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2019	705.68	3.37
30 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2019	656.04	3.14
31 <sup>st</sup> Oct 2019	601.80	2.88
30 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2019	603.82	2.89
31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2019	846.55	4.05
31-Jan-20	786.71	3.76
29-Feb-20	785.31	3.76
31 <sup>st</sup> Mar 20	730.17	3.49

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## ii. Private Sector Foreign Exchange Reserves

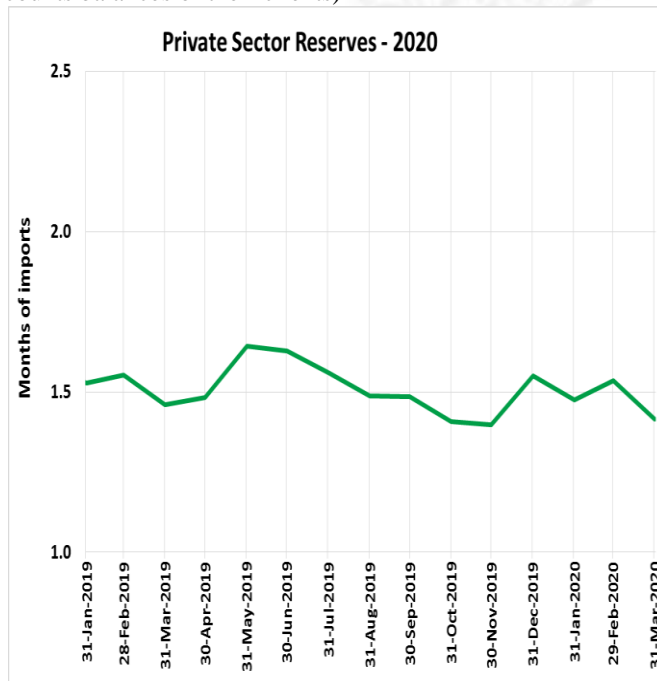
(Foreign reserves under the direct control of authorized dealer banks (ADB) which consists of ADBs own forex positions and foreign currency denominated accounts balances of their clients)

Date (US\$ mn)	ADB's Own Position	FCDA	Total	Import Cover * (Months)
31 <sup>st</sup> December 2019	6.70	317.37	324.07	1.55
31 <sup>st</sup> January 2020	3.84	304.55	308.4	1.48
29 <sup>th</sup> February 2020	4.23	316.57	320.8	1.53
31 <sup>st</sup> March 2020	-4.56	300.11	295.55	1.41

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### ADB's FOREIGN EXCHANGE TRADING ACTIVITY

Week Ending (US\$ mn)	ADB's Purchases	ADB's Sales
24 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2020	29.80	32.75
30 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2020	16.93	30.38
8 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	20.93	35.52
On 11 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	4.38	3.53

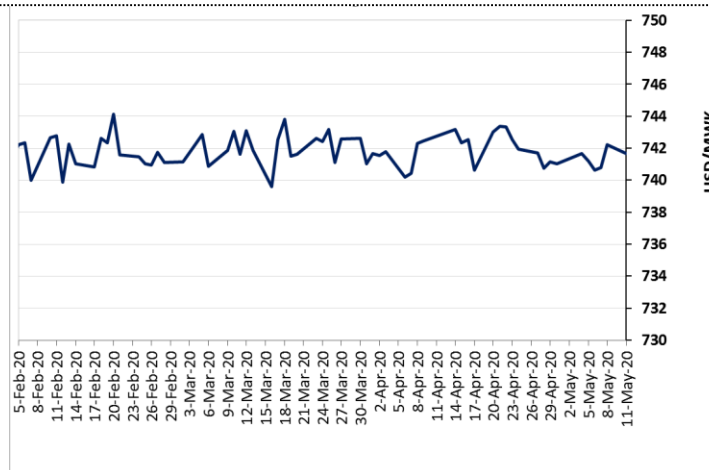
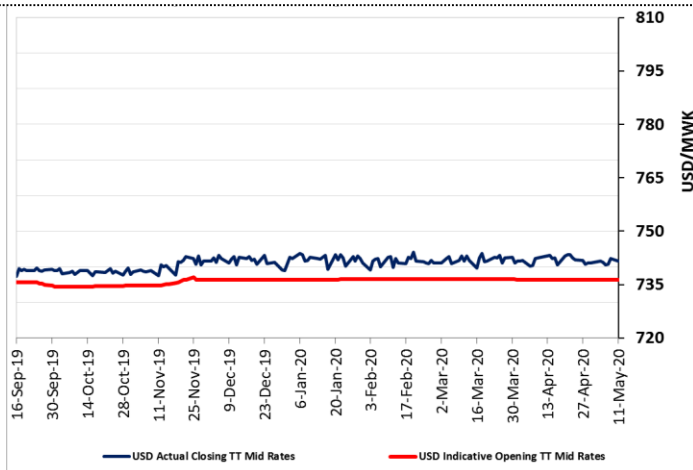


## iii. Exchange Rate Developments

	11 <sup>th</sup> May 2020 (Opening Rates)			11 <sup>th</sup> May 2020 (Closing Rates)			Today's Opening rates
	Middle	Buying	Selling	Middle	Buying	Selling	
MWK/USD	736.5641	729.2721	743.8561	742.2437	741.6809	744.0951	736.5641
MWK/GBP	914.6653	905.6101	923.7205	923.5159	918.8385	928.1933	908.2572
MWK/EUR	798.5091	790.6039	806.4144	805.9195	802.2427	809.5964	796.6677
MWK/ZAR	40.3570	39.9575	40.7566	41.2064	40.8682	41.5447	39.8856

Note: The opening reported rates are indicative market average TT rates.

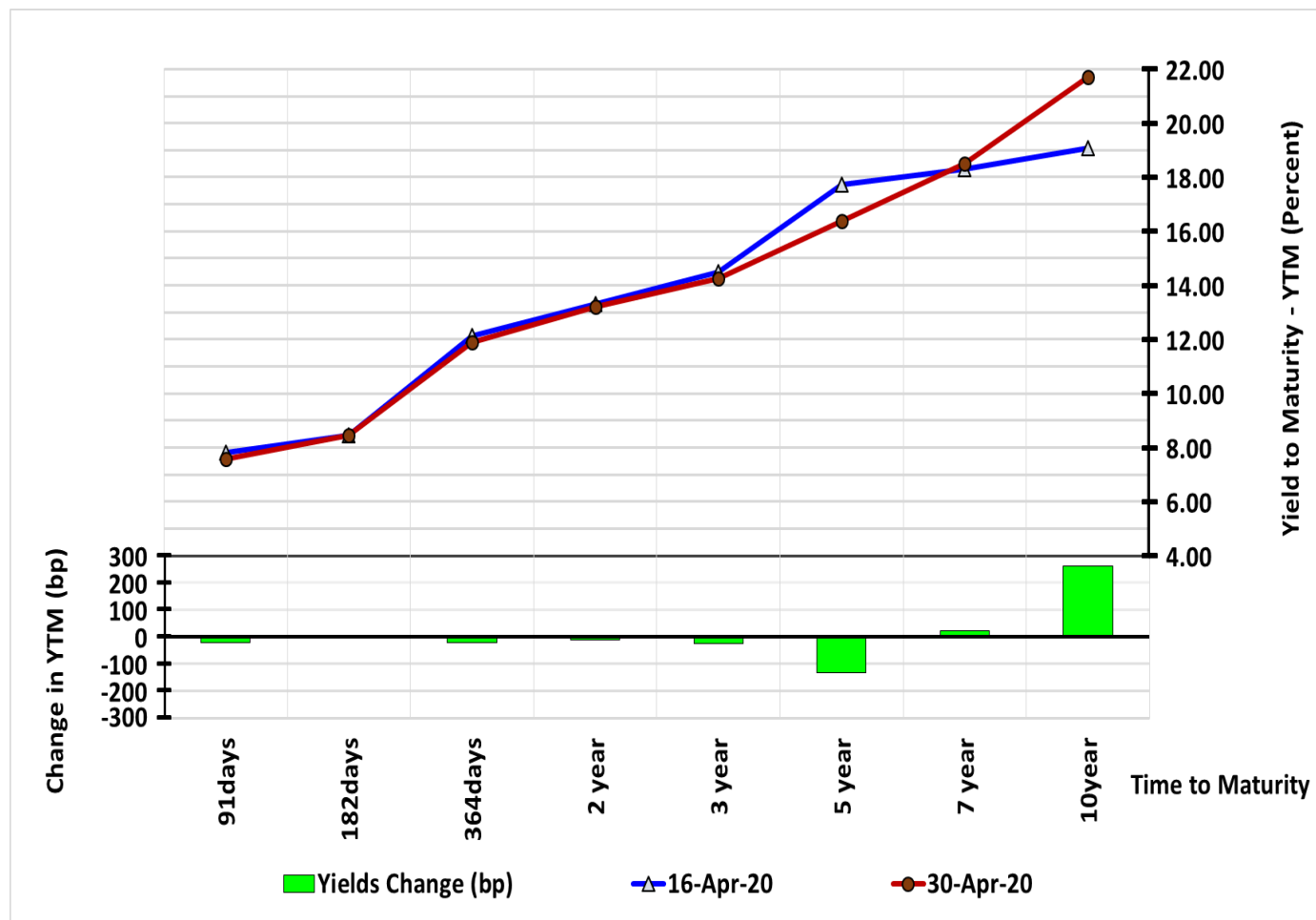
The closing reported rates are actual trade-weighted market average TT rates.



## D. YIELD CURVE FOR GOVERNMENT SECURITIES (Based on actual trades)

**NOTE:** The 91 day, 182 day and 364 day Treasury bill yields (7.5791%, 8.4556% and 12.2638% respectively) have been converted to semi-annual bond basis as at 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020.

Tenor	91 day	182 day	364 day	2 Year	3 Year	5 Year	7 Year	10 Year
16 April 2020	7.80	8.45	12.13	13.31	14.50	17.73	18.29	19.06
30 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	7.57	8.45	11.91	13.20	14.26	16.39	18.51	21.70
16 – 30 Apr 2020 Change in Yield (Bp)	(23)	0	(22)	(12)	(24)	(134)	22	263



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