

XFIOW MARKETS PULSE

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USD/CAD

CMP - 1.33467

USD/CAD is trading at 1.33467, 0.02% down since previous day close. The mixed trading can be seen in in currencies on Thursday as USD & bond yields steadies at 5-month lows on account of uncertain FOMC monetary bet in the month of March. Also, the volatile Oil prices deepens the selling pressure in CAD since both the instruments are directly correlated. The Canada's CPI rate grew by 0.1% against the expected fall of -0.1% which cushioned the pair USD/CAD earlier in this week. The result of Retail Sales data will remain a key concern for the day. As seen in the chart, the pair USD/CAD is trading below the resistance level & further buying may be recommended in CAD against the USD on each & every corrective dip.

Resistance - 1.33830 -1.34062 Support - 1.33241-1.32884 Pivot – 1.33473

Expected Trend- Sideways



GBP/USD

CMP- 1.26357

GBP/USD is trading at 1.26357, 0.12% down since previous day close. The Sterling Pound depreciated after the CPI rate grew by just 3.9% lower than expected rise of 4.3% in the previous month. On global front, the few FOMC officials showed suspicious view over rate cuts in the month of March which dragged down the GBP/USD. Last week, the Bank of England (BoE) left an interest rate steady at 5.25% as expected in its last meeting but hinted for further rate hike in upcoming meetings which boosted up the GBP/USD. The market will be looking forward to the result of Retail Sales data due to be issued on Friday. Wait & watch strategy may be adopted for the day in GBP/USD.

Resistance – 1.27029– 1.27690

Pivot – 1.26639

Support - 1.25987-1.25588

Expected Trend- Neutral



US100

CMP- 16867

US100 is trading at 16867, 0.09% up since previous day close. The U.S markets slightly recovered after plunging down to weekly lows in the previous session amid mixed sentiments over FOMC future monetary stance. Also, the weakness in Japan's stock market on an account of scandal with country's biggest auto-maker Toyota-Daihatsu led the selling pressure in U.S markets to some extent. Other than this, the factors like volatile Crude Oil prices & ceasefire talks between Israel & Hamas remains significant for global markets. The result of Final GDP & Unemployment Claims data will remain in focus for the day. As seen in the H4 chart, the index corrected down till Fibo level 23.6 which turns into major support level & so, the cautious trading may be recommended for the day.

Resistance – 17062-17314

Pivot -16820

Support - 16568-16326

Expected Trade- Slight Bullish





JAP225 CMP-33170.3

JAP225 is trading at 33170.3, 0.18% down since previous close. The earlier gains in Japan's Nikkei turned into losses in the previous session after the Daihatsu unit of Japan's biggest automaker Toyota may suspend all vehicle shipments in light of severe regulation breaches. Earlier in this week, the soft YEN after Bank of Japan (BoJ) left an interest rate steady at -0.10% as expected; signaling for ultra-dovish stance made the Jap225 to trade stronger. Globally, the few FOMC officials showed a suspicious view over rate cut stance in the March 2024 which remains suppressive for equity markets. As seen in the chart, the index is strongly trading near the major resistance level & hence, the cautious trading may be seen as either side breakout can be expected.

Resistance – 33260-33363 Pivot –33133

Support- 33036-32903 Expected trend- Sideways



GOLD CMP- \$2036.44

Gold is trading at \$2036.44, 0.06% up since previous close. The range bound trading can be seen in gold prices against the steady USD on uncertain view over Fed's future monetary stance. The ultra-dovish BoJ stance & leaving its interest rate steady at -0.10% led the selling pressure in gold & YEN. On Wednesday, the China left its Prime Loan Rate steady as expected which may revive the consumption demand of Gold & hence, pushed up the prices slightly; for China is a top consumer of metals. The result of U.S Jobless Claims & Final GDP data will remain in focus for the day. As seen in chart, the gold is still hovering near major resistance level & hence, a breakout is expected if breaches the level.

Resistance – \$2041.83 -\$2050.42 Pivot- \$2034.01 Support-\$2025.42-\$2018.60 Expected Trend- Slight Bullish



WTI OIL CMP- \$74.38

WTI Oil is trading at \$74.38, 0.03% down since previous day close. The Oil prices slightly retreated on Thursday amid chances of ceasefire talks between Hamas & Israel can be held which may avoid further Oil supplies disruption. The U.S EIA report showed a rise in Oil inventory levels by 2.9 mbpd higher than expected fall of 2.3mbpd which further dragged down the prices. Earlier in this week, the prices traded at higher levels after Yemen's Iran-aligned Houthi militant attacked the ships in Red Sea; disrupting the supplies. Uncertain U.S Fed monetary stance will remain vital for Oil prices in future course of time. Selling on rallies may be recommended for the day in WTI Oil.

Resistance – \$74.83-\$76.04

Pivot- \$74.16

Support -\$72.95- \$72.28

Expected Trend-Slight Bearish



GLOBAL ECONOMIC CALENDAR

DATE	TIME	CURREN CY	DATA	ACTUAL	FORECAST	PREVIOUS
DEC THU 21	7.34AM	NZD	Credit Card Spending y/y	3.3%	-	-2.8%
	12.30PM	GBP	Public Sector Net Borrowing	-	12.8B	14.0B
	TENTATIVE	CNY	Foreign Direct Investment ytd/y	-	-	-9.4%
	4.30PM	GBP	CBI Realized Sales	-	-13	-11
	7.00PM	CAD	Core Retail Sales m/m	-	0.5%	0.2%
		CAD	Retail Sales m/m	-	0.8%	0.6%
		USD	Final GDP q/q	-	5.2%	5.2%
		USD	Unemployment Claims		214K	202K
		USD	Philly Fed Manufacturing Index		-3.3	-5.9
	8.30PM	USD	CB Leading Index m/m		-0.5%	-0.8%
	9.00PM	USD	Natural Gas Storage		-82B	-55B



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