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Forex & Debt Market Update

June 2024



Forex Market

Current Account Deficit Narrows to 0.7% of GDP in FY24



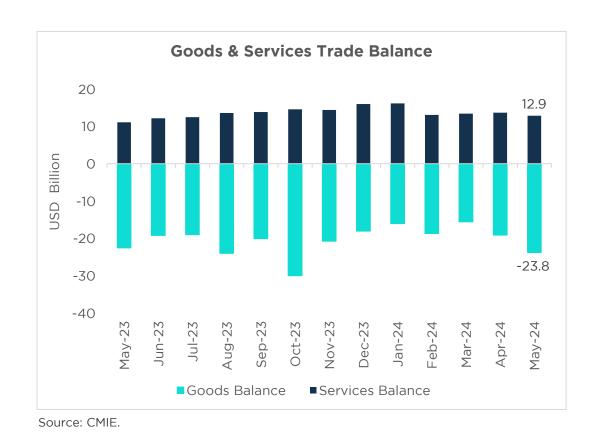
Balance of Payments (USD Billion unless specified otherwise)							
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24		
Current Account (% of GDP)	-0.9	0.9	-1.2	-2.0	-0.7		
Current Account	-24.7	23.9	-38.8	-67.1	-23.3		
Merchandise Trade	-157.5	-102.2	-189.5	-265.3	-242.1		
Invisibles	132.8	126.1	150.7	198.2	218.8		
Services	84.9	88.6	107.5	143.3	162.8		
Transfers	75.2	73.5	80.4	100.9	105.8		
Income	-27.3	-36.0	-37.3	-45.9	-49.8		
Capital Account	83.2	63.7	85.8	58.9	86.3		
Foreign Investments	44.4	80.1	21.8	22.8	53.9		
FDI	43.0	44.0	38.6	28.0	9.8		
FPI	1.4	36.1	-16.8	-5.2	44.1		
Loans	25.7	6.9	33.6	8.3	1.7		
Banking Capital	-5.3	-21.1	6.7	21.0	40.5		
Other Capital	18.5	-2.1	23.8	6.9	-9.8		
Overall Balance	59.5	87.3	47.5	-9.1	63.7		

Source: CMIE.

- CAD improved to USD 23 bn in FY24 from USD 67 bn in FY23.
- Lower trade deficit & higher invisible receipts supported CAD.
- Capital account surplus increased 46% YoY to USD 86.3 bn in FY24.
- FPI inflows increased to USD 44 bn from outflows of USD 5 bn in FY23.
- Banking capital inflows increased by 93% YoY to USD 41 bn in FY24.
- However, net FDI fell by 65% YoY to USD 10 bn in FY24.
- Overall balance of payments (BoP) recorded a surplus of USD 64 bn in FY24 compared to a deficit of USD 9 bn in FY23.
- We expect CAD to be around 1% of GDP in FY25 and BoP to remain in surplus.

Total Trade Balance Widens in May





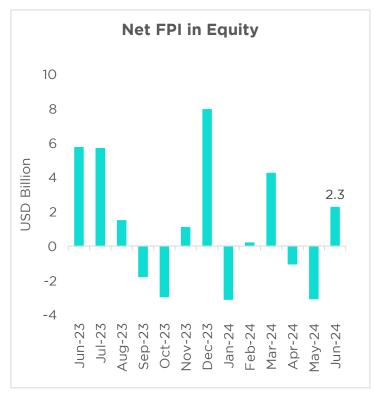
Total Trade Balance 2 Billion -6 -8 USD -10 -10.9 -12 -14 -16 -18 Jul-23 Aug-23 Sep-23 Oct-23 Dec-23 Feb-24 Mar-24 Apr-24

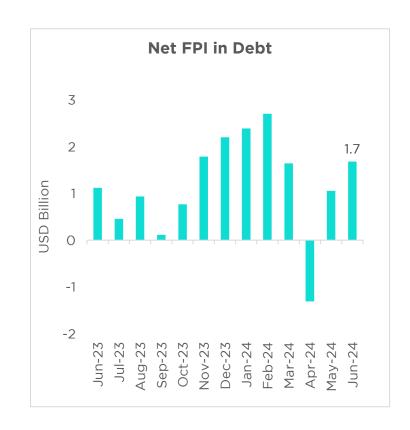
Source: CMIE. Note: Total Trade Balance = Goods Balance + Services Balance.

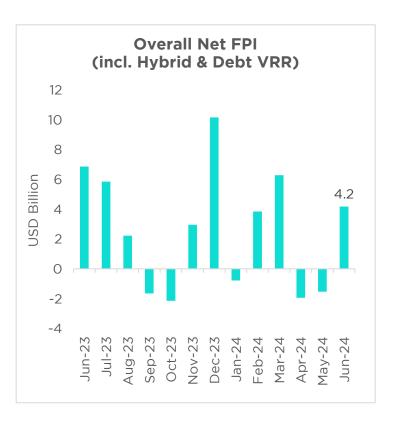
- Services surplus reduced to USD 12.9 bn in May from USD 13.7 in Apr. Services payments rose 3.9% MoM while services receipts contracted 0.6% MoM.
- Goods deficit widened to USD 23.8 bn in May from USD 19.1 bn in Apr. Exports grew 9% MoM while imports rose 14% MoM.
- Goods deficit widened largely due to higher imports of crude oil and petroleum products, which rose 21% MoM.

FPIs Turn Net Buyers in June







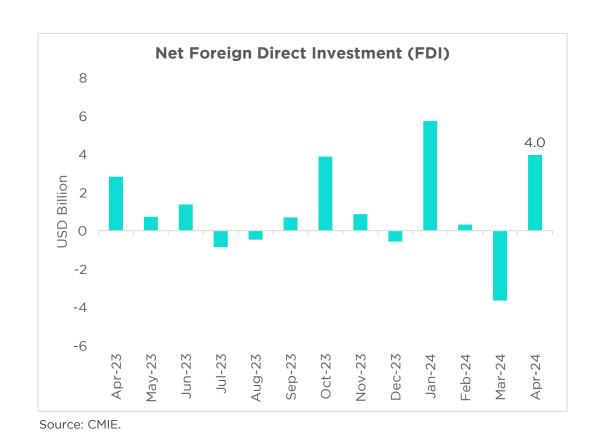


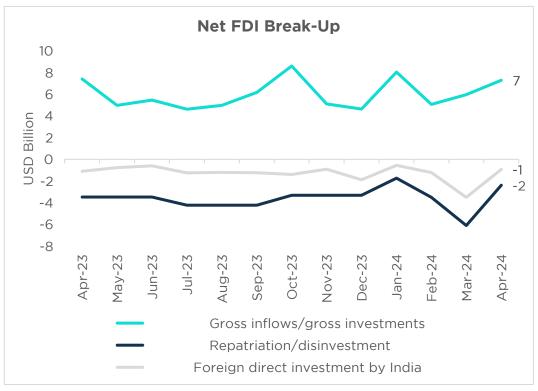
Sources: CMIE, NSDL. Data as on Jun 27.

- FPIs were net equity buyers in Jun (as on Jun 27) after selling for two consecutive months.
- Net FPI inflows in debt increased in Jun (as on Jun 27) ahead of inclusion of Indian sovereign bonds in JP Morgan bond index on Jun 28.
- India's bond index inclusion is expected to attract USD 2 bn worth of inflows per month up to March 2025.

Net FDI Increased





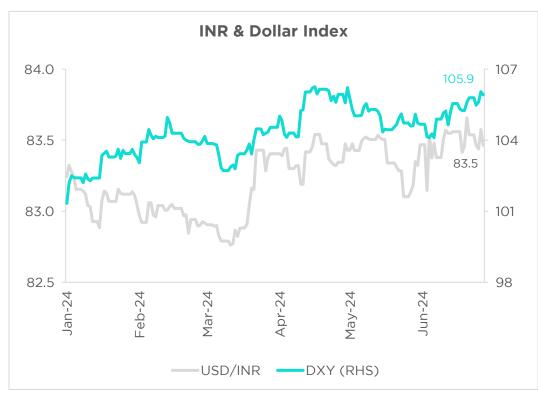


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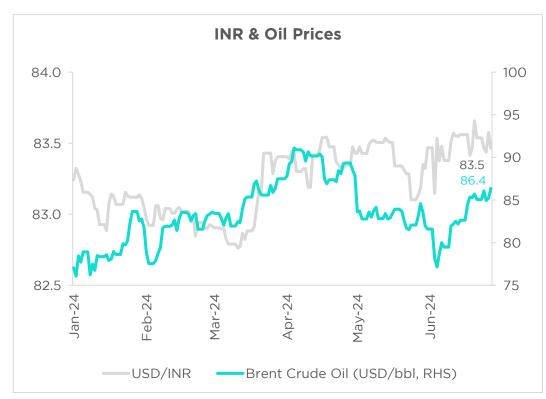
- Net FDI increased to USD 4 bn in Apr from outflow of USD 3.7 bn in Mar and was 40% higher YoY.
- Gross inflows increased to USD 7 bn in Apr from USD 6 bn in Mar.
- Repatriation/disinvestment & outward FDI moderated in Apr.

Strong Dollar & Higher Crude Oil Prices Weighing on Rupee...





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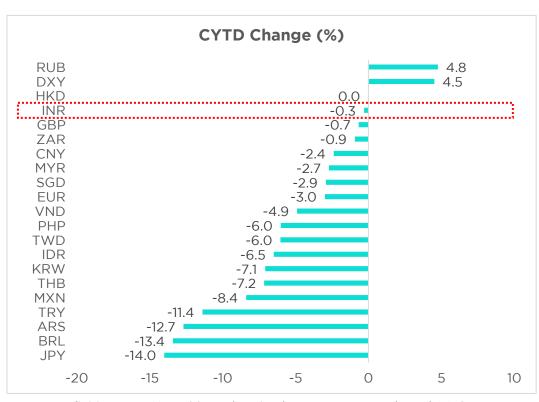


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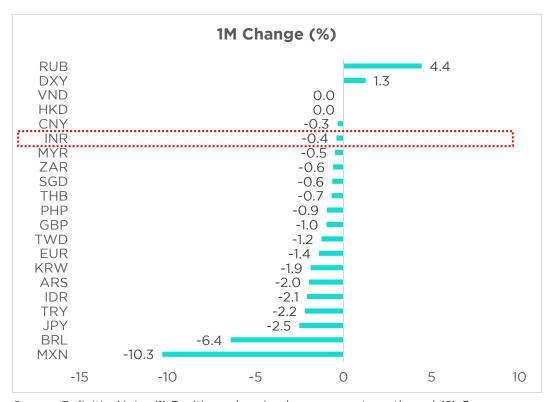
- Dollar index strengthened 1.3% in Jun mainly due to weakening in EUR and JPY.
- Brent crude oil prices increased 6% in Jun amidst rising geopolitical tensions (Middle East & Russia-Ukraine).

...However, Rupee Exhibits Low Volatility Relative to Peers





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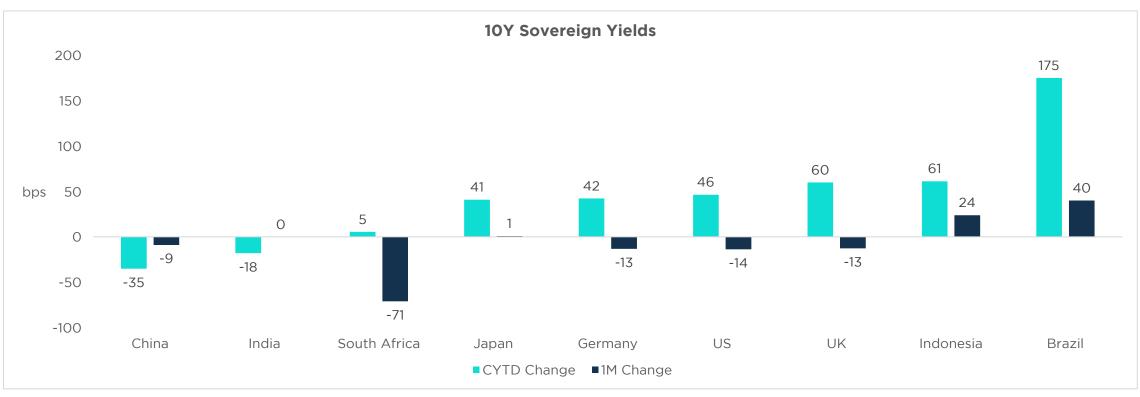
- CNY depreciated 2.4% CYTD amidst monetary policy divergence with Fed and weak fixing by PBoC.
- Rupee depreciated 0.3% CYTD against the dollar.
- USD/INR likely to trade between 83-83.70 in near term. Expected FPI inflows should support INR while RBI intervention should limit any appreciation.



Debt Market

India 10Y Yield Stable Over Last Month



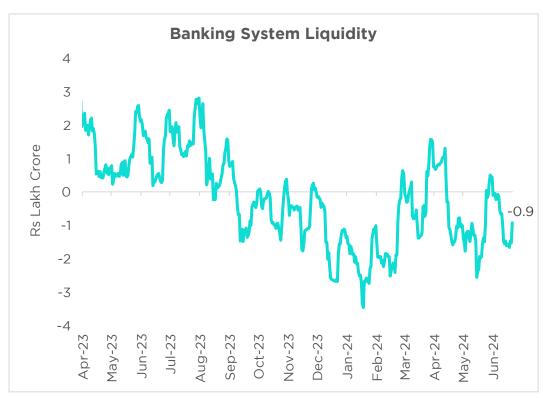


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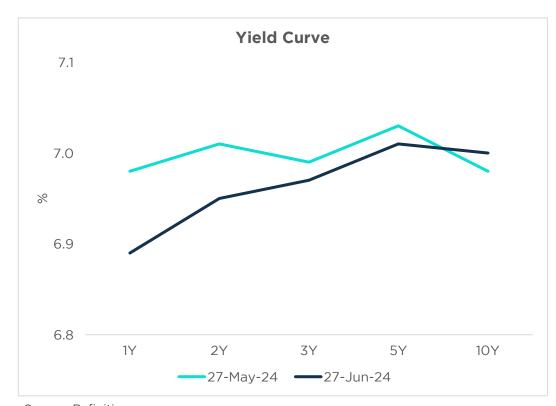
- UST yields moderated in Jun as data pointed towards easing inflationary pressures. Market expects 25bps Fed rate cuts in Sep and Dec.
- India 10Y yield likely to trade between 6.90-7.05% in near-term aided by FPI inflows.
- FY25 Union Budget in Jul will be a key event for bond markets.

Liquidity in Deficit; Segments of Yield Curve Move Downwards





Source: CEIC. Note: (1) Negative values denote liquidity deficit. (2) Data is for monthend and latest data is for Jun 27.

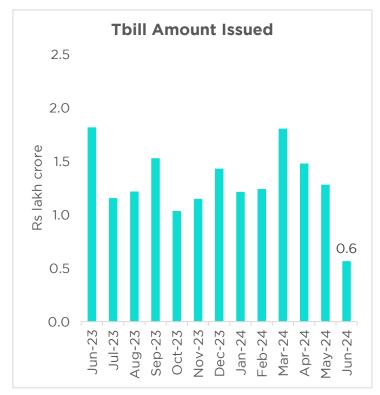


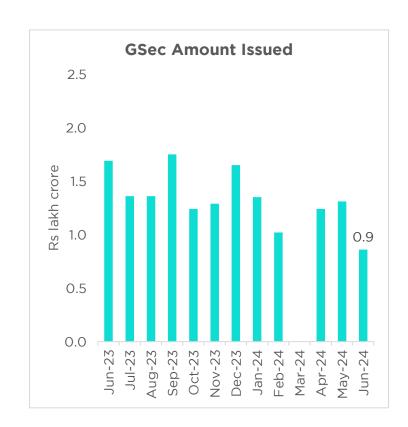
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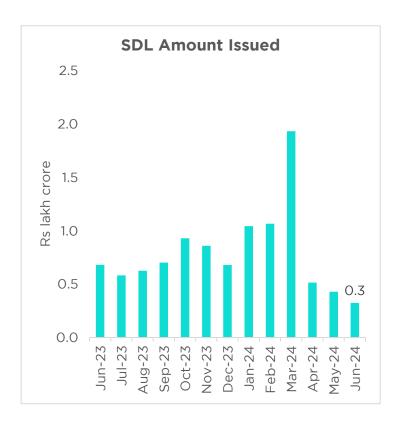
• RBI has been conducting VRR auctions to manage liquidity conditions effectively. FPI inflows should help ease liquidity conditions.

States Borrowed Only 50% of Calendar Amount in FYTD







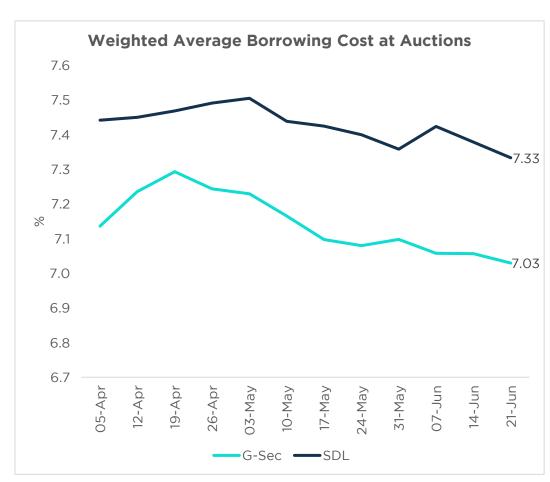


Sources: RBI, CMIE. Data as on Jun 21

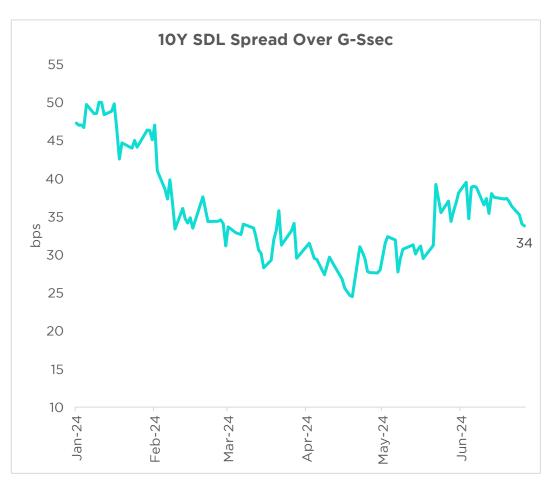
- GSec issuances in Q1 FY25 (as on Jun 21) amounted to Rs 3.4 lakh crore and were equal to 90% of calendar amount.
- SDL issuances in Q1 FY25 (as on Jun 21) amounted to Rs 1.3 lakh crore and were equal to 50% of calendar amount.
- FYTD25 (as on Jun 10) Centre has devolved Rs 2.8 lakh crore to States.

SDL Spread Moderates





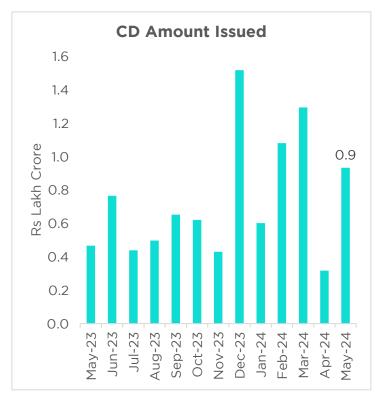




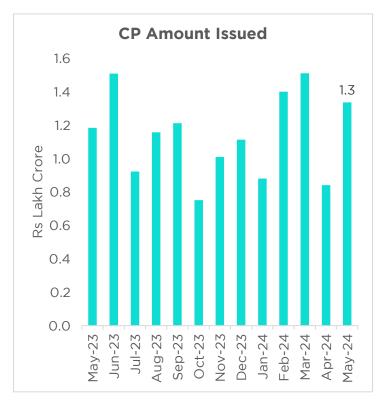
Sources: CCIL, Refinitiv. Data as on Jun 26.

CD, CP & Corporate Bond Issuances Rise in May

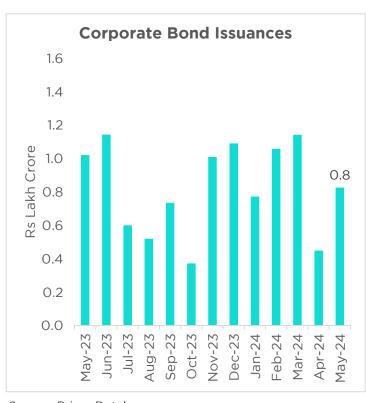




Sources: CMIE, RBI. Note: CD = Certificates of Deposit.



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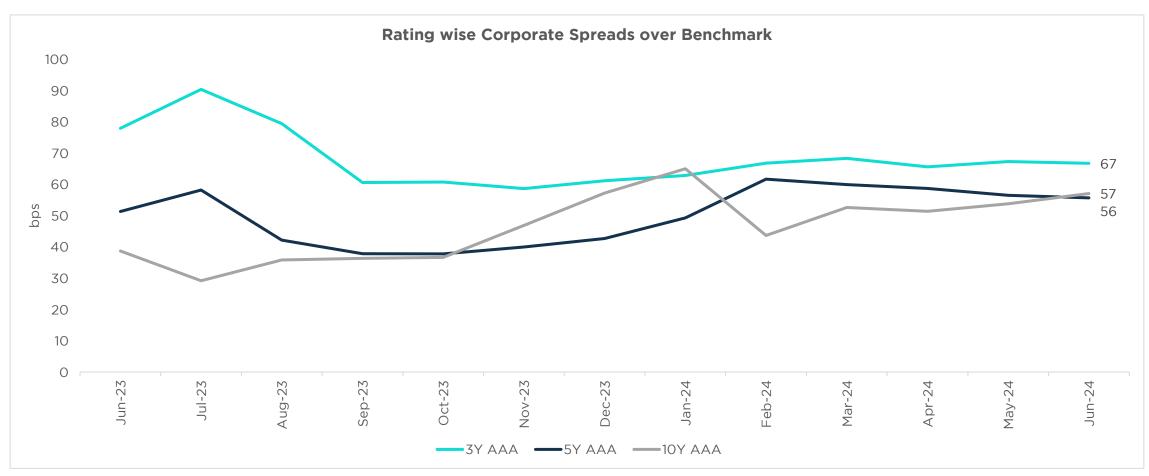


Source: Prime Database.

- CD issuances were up 195% MoM in May and 100% YoY. FYTD25 issuances amounted to Rs 1.2 lakh crore (+81% YoY).
- CP issuances were up 59% MoM in May and 13% YoY. FYTD25 issuances amounted to Rs 2.2 lakh crore (-5% YoY).
- Corporate bond issuances were up 84% MoM in May but were down 19% YoY. FYTD25 issuances amounted to Rs 1.3 lakh crore (-30% YoY).

Corporate Spreads Largely Unchanged in June





Source: Refinitiv. Note: Data is monthly average and as on Jun 27.



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