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Global Markets Research

Midday Currency Outlook

USD/MYR



Source: Bloomberg, HLBB Global Markets Research

Intraday Thoughts – Neutral-to-Slightly Bearish

USD/MYR opened 0.03% lower at 4.2250 and slid lower to 4.2233 at the point of writing. Daily outlook is neutral-to-slightly bearish in anticipation of USD weakness this morning, dragged lower by the downbeat labour data on the US front overnight, and amid cautiousness ahead of the July 9 expiry of Trump's 90-day tariff pause. All eyes today will be on the non-farm payrolls number, where consensus is anticipating a softer gain of 106k in June as compared to +139k reported the previous month.

1-Month Outlook – USD/MYR Neutral-to-Slightly Bearish

We prefer to stay neutral-to-slightly bearish on USD/MYR as we expect the recent Dollar weakness to have more legs to run, as lingering concerns over the outcome of the trade negotiations and its repercussions on US growth will also continue to weigh on sentiment for the greenback but that said, divergence in the policy tones between the Fed and BNM recently, namely a wait-and-see hawkish stance for the Fed and a dovish tweak for BNM, suggests a possibility of widening interest rate differential for the two policy rates, will likely cap losses for this pair. As it is, US labour market indicators remain decent for now while inflation prints have softened, giving FOMC leeway to stay the course, and potentially pushing back rate cuts to the later part of this year. With this, we are pencilling in 2 quarter point cuts in 2H for the US, but on the domestic front, the dovish tweaks in policy tone suggests a 25bps OPR cut in the 2H of 2025.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
USD/MYR	4.1853	4.2058	4.2233	4.2371	4.2479

USD/SGD

USD/SGD Neutral

USD/SGD opened flat at 1.2729, traded within a narrow range of 1.2723-1.2736 before settling at 1.2736 at the point of writing. We prefer to stay neutral ahead of the US NFP prints today, eyeing trading range between 1.2719-1.2745 today.



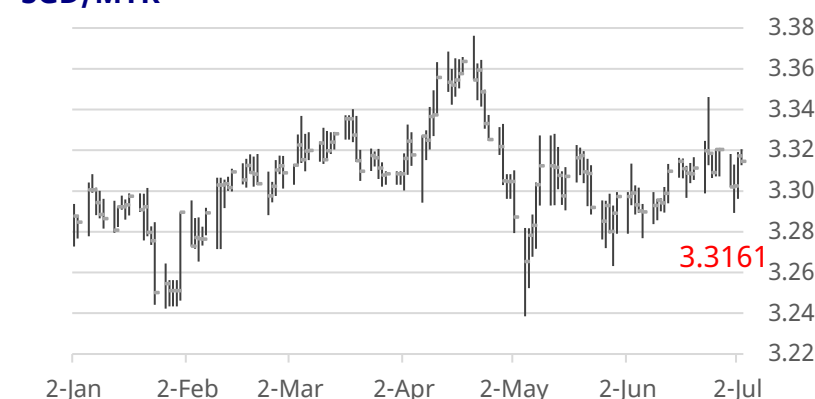
	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
USD/SGD	1.2708	1.2719	1.2736	1.2745	1.2760

MYR Crosses

SGD/MYR

SGD/MYR Neutral-to-Slightly Bearish

SGD/MYR opened 0.06% higher at 3.3203 before losing all its lustre and more to trade below its flatline at 3.3161 at the point of writing. Daily outlook is neutral-to-slightly bearish as MYR appears to have outperformed most of its regional peers in early morning trade, and on expectations that the pair is unlikely to break below the 3.3116 S1 level today.



	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
SGD/MYR	3.2873	3.3116	3.3161	3.3271	3.3359

GBP/MYR

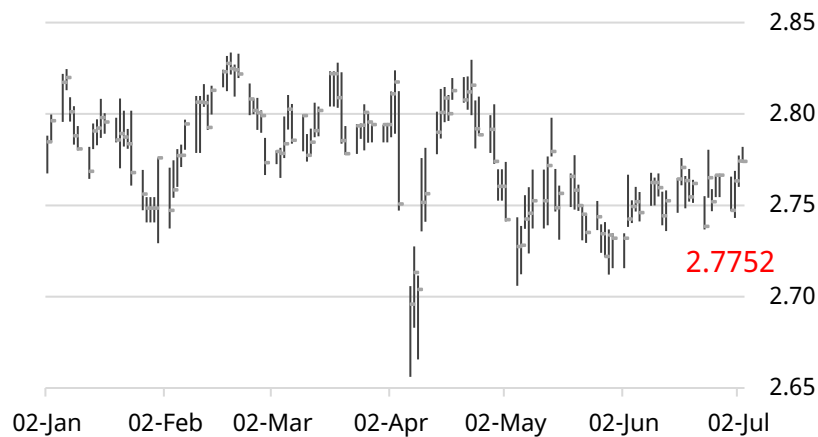
GBP/MYR Bearish

GBP/MYR opened 0.30% lower at 5.7687 and slid further to 5.7591 at the point of writing. Daily outlook is bearish amid a broad sell-off in UK assets on fresh concerns over British finances, with support levels seen at 5.7496 (S1) and 5.7152 (S2) today.



	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
GBP/MYR	5.7152	5.7496	5.7591	5.8022	5.8184

AUD/MYR



AUD/MYR Neutral

AUD/MYR opened 0.27% higher at 2.7817 before paring most of these gains to trade just above its flatline at 2.7752 at the point of writing. Daily outlook is neutral, with gains from the higher opening likely to narrow on AUD weakness this morning, reflected in AUD/USD trading in red at 0.6568 at the point of writing. Data released this morning also does not bode well for the currency, with Australia's export numbers falling at a faster pace while China's services PMI also undershot forecasts.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
AUD/MYR	2.7532	2.7637	2.7752	2.7809	2.7876

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