

**Global:**USA

- The flash IHS Markit Manufacturing Purchasing Managers Index (PMI) climbed to 56.5 in April 2018, touching a three-and-a-half-year high, from 55.5 in the last month.
- The flash IHS Markit Services PMI inched up to 54.4 in April 2018, from 54 in the previous month.
- The Conference Board (CB) Consumer Confidence Index stood at 128.7 in April 2018, up from 127 in March 2018.
- Initial jobless claims fell 24,000 to a seasonally adjusted 209,000 for the week ended April 21, 2018. This represents the lowest level since December 1969, according to the US Labor Department.
- The annualised rate of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth was 2.3% in the three months to March 2018, from 2.9% in the three months to December 2017, as reported by the US Commerce Department.

UK

- GfK Consumer Confidence Index dropped to -9 in April 2018, from a 10-month high of -7 in March 2018.
- GDP grew 0.1% (QoQ) in Q1 2018, compared to 0.4% (QoQ) registered in Q4 2017, according to the Office for National Statistics. This was the slowest growth rate since 2012, driven by a sharp fall in construction output and a sluggish manufacturing sector.

Eurozone

- The flash IHS Markit Manufacturing PMI was 56 in April 2018, representing a 14-month low, from 56.6 in the last month.
- The flash IHS Markit Services PMI rose slightly to 55 in April 2018, from 54.9 a month ago.
- The Consumer Confidence Indicator came in at 0.4 in April 2018, up from 0.1 a month ago, as per survey data from European Commission.

Germany

- The flash IHS Markit Manufacturing PMI registered a reading of 58.1 in April 2018, down from 58.2 in previous month. This was the lowest reading registered since July 2017.
- The flash IHS Markit Services PMI moved upwards to 54.1 in April 2018, up from 53.9 in the previous month.

- Unemployment rate remained unchanged at 5.3% in April 2018, according to the figures of Federal Labor Agency.

### China

- The Manufacturing PMI came in at 51.4 in April 2018, down from 51.5 in March 2018, as per the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS).
- The Non-Manufacturing PMI came in at 54.8 in April 2018, up from 54.6 in March 2018, as per NBS.

### Japan

- Unemployment rate remained steady at near 25-year low of 2.5% in March 2018.
- Industrial production was up 1.2% (MoM) and 2.2% (YoY) in March 2018, according to the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.
- Retail sales were down to seasonally adjusted 0.7% (MoM) and 1% (YoY) in March 2018, as per the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

### India

#### Crude Oil Prices:

Oil prices	April 20, 2018	April 27, 2018	% Change (WoW)
Brent crude (US\$)	73.61	74.51	1.22%

#### India's Forex Reserves:

(in US\$ billion)	April 13, 2018	April 20, 2018	% Change (WoW)
Forex reserves	426.1	423.6	-0.59%

#### Consumer Sentiment:

	April 20, 2018	April 27, 2018	% Change (WoW)
India	92.78	93.31	0.57%
Rural	97.27	97.63	0.37%
Urban	85.38	86.05	0.78%

Unemployment Rate:

in %	April 20, 2018	April 27, 2018	Change (WoW) (basis points)
India	6.31	5.98	-33
Rural	6.21	5.75	-46
Urban	6.52	6.43	-9

**Markets:**10 Year Government Bond Yield:

in %	April 20, 2018	April 27, 2018	Change (WoW) (basis points)
Japan	0.060	0.055	-1
US	2.960	2.957	0
UK	1.479	1.445	-3
Germany	0.590	0.571	-2
India	7.718	7.767	5

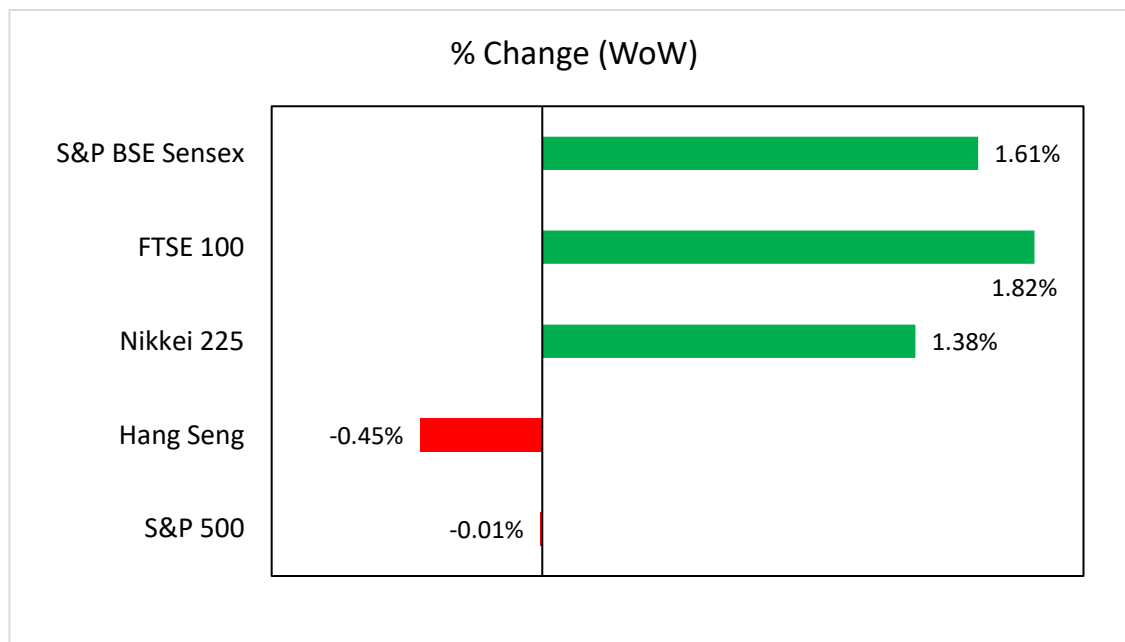
LIBOR Rates:

1 month rate (in %)	April 20, 2018	April 27, 2018	Change (WoW) (basis points)
USD-LIBOR	1.90	1.91	1
EURO-LIBOR	-0.40	-0.40	0
POUND-LIBOR	0.53	0.52	-1
YEN-LIBOR	-0.04	-0.05	-1

Currency Pairs:

	April 20, 2018	April 27, 2018	% Change (WoW)
GBP/USD	0.70554	0.71747	1.69%
EUR/USD	0.80872	0.82306	1.77%
JPY/USD	107.38	109.30	1.79%

	April 20, 2018	April 27, 2018	% Change (WoW)
USD/INR	66.02	66.78	1.16%
GBP/USD	92.73	92.89	0.18%
EUR/USD	81.46	80.74	-0.88%
100 JPY/USD	61.40	61.08	-0.52%
			Appreciate
			Depreciate

Global Stock Markets over the past week

Macroeconomic Releases this Week:

Date	Event	Expected	Prior
30-04-2018	German Retail Sales (MoM) (March)	-0.6%	-0.2%
01-05-2018	U.K. Manufacturing PMI (April)	54.9	55.1
01-05-2018	U.S. Manufacturing PMI (April)	56.5	56.5
02-05-2018	Eurozone GDP (QoQ)	0.4%	0.6%
02-05-2018	Eurozone Unemployment Rate (March)	8.5%	8.5%
04-05-2018	U.S. Unemployment Rate (April)	4.0%	4.1%

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