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#### Global:

#### USA

- Conference Board reported that Consumer Confidence Index rose to 131.4 in February 2019 from 121.7 in January 2019.
- Gross Domestic Product (GDP) grew 2.6% (QoQ) in Q4 2018, following a 3.4% (QoQ) rise in Q3 2018, according
  to numbers from the US Commerce Department.
- Initial jobless claims rose 8,000 to a seasonally adjusted 225,000 for the week ended February 23, 2019, as per data by the US Labor Department.
- Final IHS Markit Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) fell to an 18-month low of 53 in February 2019 and compared to a reading of 54.9 in January 2019.

## <u>UK</u>

- IHS Markit/CIPS PMI fell to a 4-month low of 52 in February 2019 and compared to a reading of 52.6 in January 2019.
- IHS Markit/CIPS Services PMI Index rose to 51.3 in February 2019 from a level of 50.1 booked in January 2019.

#### **Eurozone**

- Final IHS Markit Manufacturing PMI fell to 49.3 in February 2019, with the sector shrinking for the first time since June 2013 and compared to a reading of 50.5 in January 2019.
- Consumer Price Index (CPI) rose 1.5% (YoY) in February 2019 as against a 1.4% (YoY) rise in January 2019, as per figures by Eurostat.
- Unemployment rate remained unchanged at 7.8% in January 2019, as per figures by Eurostat.
- Producer Price Index (PPI) rose 0.4% (MoM) in January 2019, rebounding from a 0.8% (MoM) fall in December 2018, as per Latest data released by Eurostat.
- Retail sales rose 1.3% (MoM) in January 2019 compared to a 1.4% (MoM) decline in December 2018 as per data by Eurostat.

## **Germany**

• CPI advanced 1.6% (YoY) in February 2019 from a rise of 1.4% (YoY) in January 2019, as per preliminary data by Destatis.

## **BSE-Snapshot**

#### Economic update



- Retail sales jumped 3.3% (MoM) in January 2019, marking their strongest rise since October 2016 and rebounding from a 4.3% (MoM) decline in December 2018, as per figures by Destatis.
- IHS Markit Manufacturing PMI dropped to 47.6, the lowest level in 6 years and compared to a level of 49.7 in January 2019.
- Unemployment rate remained at 5% in February 2019, the lowest since German reunification in 1990.
- Final IHS Markit Services PMI rose to 55.3 in February 2019 from 53 in January 2019.

#### <u>Japan</u>

- Industrial production fell 3.7% (MoM) in January 2019 after a 0.1% (MoM) fall in December 2018, as per data by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.
- Retail sales fell 2.3% (MoM) in January 2019, following a 0.9% (MoM) rise in December 2018, as per data by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.
- Unemployment rate came in at 2.5% in January 2019 compared to 2.4% in December 2018, according to data by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications.
- Final Markit/Nikkei Manufacturing PMI fell to 48.9 in February 2019, contracting at the fastest pace in 2-1/2 years and compared to a reading of 50.3 in January 2019.

#### **China**

- Caixin/Markit Manufacturing PMI came in at 49.9 in February 2019 compared to a level of 48.3 in January 2019.
- Caixin/Markit Services PMI fell to 4-month low of 51.1 in February 2019 compared to a level of 53.6 in January 2019.

## India

- GDP growth slowed down to 6.6% (YoY) in Q3 2018 from 7% (YoY) in Q2 2018, according to data released by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.
- Nikkei/IHS Markit Manufacturing PMI rose to 14-month high of 54.3 in February 2019 from 53.9 in January 2019.
- Nikkei/IHS Markit Services PMI rose to 52.5 in February 2019 from 52.2 in January 2019.

## Crude Oil Prices:

Oil prices	February 22, 2019	March 01 2019	% Change (WoW)
Brent crude (US\$)	67.12	65.07	-3.05%



# <u>India's Forex Reserve:</u>

(in US\$ billion)	February 15, 2019	February 22, 2019	% Change (WoW)
Forex reserves	398.27	399.22	0.24%

# Markets:

# 10 Year Government Bond Yield:

in %	February 22, 2019	March 01, 2019	Change (WoW) (basis points)	
Japan	-0.04	-0.01	3	
US	2.65	2.75	10	
UK	1.16	1.30	14	
Germany	0.10	0.18	8	
India	7.42	7.38	-4	

# LIBOR Rate:

1-month rate (in %)	February 22, 2019	March 01, 2019	Change (WoW) (basis points)
USD-LIBOR	2.48	2.48	0
EURO-LIBOR	-0.41	-0.41	0
POUND-LIBOR	0.73	0.73	0
YEN-LIBOR	-0.10	-0.10	0

# **Currency Pairs:**

	February 22, 2019	March 01, 2019	% Change (WoW)
USD/GBP	0.7663	0.7525	1.81%
USD/EUR	0.8818	0.8785	0.37%
USD/JPY	110.72	111.04	-0.29%

	February 22, 2019	March 01, 2019	% Change (WoW)
USD/INR	71.22	70.97	0.35%
GBP/INR	92.83	94.09	-1.36%
EUR/INR	80.75	80.72	0.05%
100 JPY/INR	64.29	63.49	1.24%

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## Global Stock Markets over the past week:



#### Macroeconomic Releases this Week:

Date	Event	Expected	Prior
05-03-2019	U.S. Services PMI (February)	56.2	56.2
07-03-2019	Eurozone GDP (QoQ) (Q4)	0.2%	0.2%
08-03-2019	Japan GDP (QoQ) (Q4)	0.4%	0.3%
08-03-2019	U.S. Unemployment Rate (February)	3.9%	4.0%
09-03-2019	China CPI (MoM) (February)	0.7%	0.5%
09-03-2019	China PPI (YoY) (February)	0.2%	0.1%

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