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1. TRADING SUMMARY

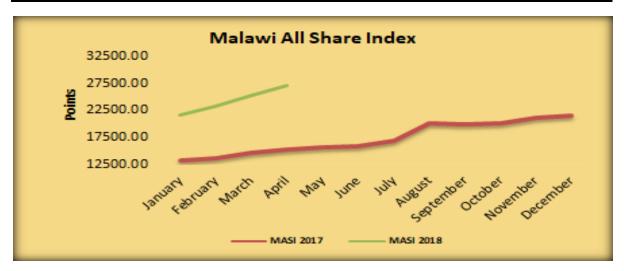


The market was bullish as it registered a positive return on index of 7.14% (7.14% in US\$ terms) in April 2018 and an in increase both total value traded and total volume traded.

There were no trades on the three Treasury Notes.

Index Levels and Return - April 2018

INDEX	APRIL, 2018	MARCH, 2018	Monthly ∆ 2018	Monthly ∆ 2017	% ∆ YTD. 2018
MASI	27092.17	25286.79	7.14 ▲	4.30 ▲	25.44 ▲
DSI	18158.46	18009.73	0.83 ▲	4.36 ▲	11.59 ▲
FSI	6743.62	5197.43	29.75 ▲	0.00 ■	91.61 ▲



	April 2018	March 2018	Monthly	April 2017	Y-O-Y %∆
			% Δ		
Traded Value (MK)	3,676,838,010.81	1,133,690,667.34	224.32 ▲	788,100,892.16	366.54 ▲
Traded Value (US\$)	5,066,924.40	1,562,300.24	224.32 ▲	1,086,054.82	366.54 ▲
Traded Vol. Shares	80,903,126	39,059,770	107.13 ▲	10,160,058	696.29 ▲
No. of Transactions	152	160	5.00 ▼	76	100.00 ▲
Index Close (MASI)	27092.17	25286.79	7.14 ▲	15203.97	78.19 ▲
Listed companies	13	13		13	
Traded Companies	12	12		12	
Not Traded Companies	01	01		01	
Gainers	08	08		04	
Decliners	01	01		00	
Unchanged	03	03		08	

2. MARKET PERFORMANCE



A. Trade Performance Analysis

The market transacted a total of 80,903,126 shares at a total consideration of MK3,676,838,010.81 (US\$5,066,924.40) in 152 trades. In the previous month, March 2018, the market transacted a total of 39,059,770 shares at a total consideration of MK1,133,690,667.34 (US\$1,562,300.24) in 160 trades. This reflects a 107.13% increase in terms of share volume and a 224.32% (224.32% in US Dollar terms) increase in share value. Of the total shares traded, 13,080,000 SUNBIRD shares were traded as a special bargain.

Daily average share trades exhibited similar trends where the market registered an average daily volume of 3,852,530 shares compared to 1,859,989 shares traded in March 2018.

The average daily turnover for April 2018 was MK175,087,524.32 (US\$241,282.11) compared to MK53,985,269.87 (US\$74,395.25) in March 2018, reflecting an increase of 224.32% (224.32% in US Dollar terms).

B. Market Capitalization and Index

The market registered a positive return on index as reflected in the upward movement of the Malawi All Share Index (MASI) from 25286.79 points registered in March 2018 to 27092.17 points registered in April 2018, giving a return on index of 7.14% (7.14% in US\$ terms). The price gains registered by FMBCH, MPICO, NBM, NITL, PCL, STANDARD, SUNBIRD and OML were enough to offset a share price loss in TNM resulting into an upward movement of the Malawi All Share Index, arising from an increase in both the Domestic Share Index (0.83%) and the Foreign Share Index (29.75%).

Market capitalization increased in both Kwacha and United States Dollar terms from MK1,120,104.50 million (US\$1,543.58 million) in March 2018 to MK1,200,076.07 million (US\$1,653.78 million) in April 2018.

C. Market Liquidity

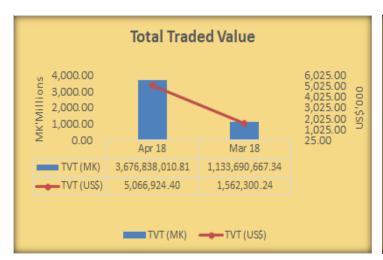
The turnover velocity measured by the ratio of Total Value of Trades to Market Capitalisation (TVT/MCAP*), an indicator of the liquidity of assets traded on the market, in April 2018 was recorded at 0.31%, higher than 0.10% registered in March 2018. The ratio of Total Value of Trades to Gross Domestic Product (TVT/GDP) recorded a liquidity level of 0.07% in April 2018 while during the previous month, March 2018, liquidity was at 0.02%.

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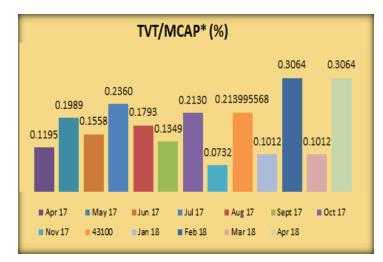


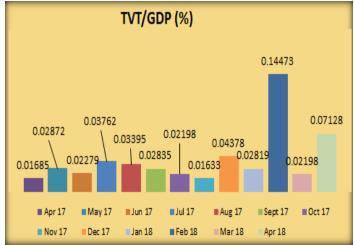












3. COMPANY TRADING PERFORMANCE



A. Top Five gainers: Eight counters registered capital gains

MSE CODE	COUNTER NAME	% GAIN
FMBCH	FMB Capital Holdings plc	30.00 ▲
SUNBIRD	Sunbird Tourism plc	24.61 ▲
OML	Old Mutual plc	24.36 ▲
PCL	Press Corporation plc	12.96 ▲
MPICO	MPICO plc	7.65 ▲

B. Top Losers: One counter registered a capital loss

MSE CODE	COUNTER NAME	% LOSS
TNM	Telekom Networks Malawi plc	10.00 ▼

C. Top Five Traded Stocks by volume

MSE CODE	COUNTER NAME	SHARES	% of Total
MPICO	MPICO plc	31,443,661	38.87
TNM	Telekom Networks Malawi plc	15,652,697	19.35
SUNBIRD	Sunbird Tourism plc	13,160,320	16.27
FMBCH	FMB Capital Holdings plc	9,813,529	12.13
NICO	NICO Holdings plc	5,486,181	6.78

D. Top Five Traded Stocks by value

MSE CODE	COUNTER NAME	VALUE	% of Total
SUNBIRD	Sunbird Tourism plc	1,266,539,073.00	34.45
FMBCH	FMB Capital Holdings plc	1,022,451,130.00	27.81
MPICO	MPICO plc	614,657,617.26	16.72
TNM	Telekom Networks Malawi plc	281,758,601.55	7.66
NICO	NICO Holdings plc	263,335,488.00	7.16

3. COMPANY TRADING PERFORMANCE



COUNTER	HIGH (MK)	LOW (MK)	Earnings Yield (%)	P/E	P/BV	MKT CAP (MK'MIn)	MKT CAP (US\$'MIn)
BHL	28.00	28.00	14.00	7.14	0.70	3,617.39	4.99
FMBCH	130.00	100.00	2.52	39.64	6.93	303,712.50	418.54
ILLOVO	240.00	240.00	4.13	24.18	4.68	171,226.65	235.96
MPICO	19.70	18.96	4.39	22.77	1.62	45,271.53	62.39
NBM	285.00	280.00	14.39	6.95	1.64	133,075.55	183.39
NBS	8.70	8.70	N/A	N/A	2.02	25,321.99	34.90
NICO	48.00	47.99	22.22	4.50	2.22	50,065.97	68.99
NITL	56.98	55.00	28.88	3.46	0.90	7,692.30	10.60
PCL	680.00	602.00	48.52	2.06	0.65	81,773.96	112.69
STANDARD	631.43	610.00	8.21	12.18	2.05	148,176.52	204.20
SUNBIRD	137.13	110.05	15.85	6.31	1.91	35,870.82	49.43
TNM	20.00	18.00	7.25	13.79	6.20	180,728.10	249.06
OML	2,935.00	2,360.00	8.32	12.03	1.38	13,542.79	18.66

3. COMPANY TRADING PERFORMANCE



Company	Opening Price	Closing Price	% Price Change	Share Vol. Traded	% Traded	Value Traded MK
BHL	2800	2800	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00
FMBCH	10000	13000	30.00%	9,813,529	12.13%	1,022,451,130.00
ILLOVO	24000	24000	0.00%	289,525	0.36%	69,486,000.00
MPICO	1830	1970	7.65%	31,443,661	38.87%	614,657,617.26
NBM	28000	28500	1.79%	46,598	0.06%	13,267,846.00
NBS	870	870	0.00%	4,731,727	5.85%	41,162,024.90
NICO	4800	4800	0.00%	5,486,181	6.78%	263,335,488.00
NITL	5500	5698	3.60%	150,488	0.19%	8,580,650.10
PCL	60200	68000	12.96%	6,822	0.01%	4,638,960.00
STANDARD	61000	63143	3.51%	114,835	0.14%	71,549,350.00
SUNBIRD	11005	13713	24.61%	13,160,320	16.27%	1,266,539,073.00
TNM	2000	1800	-10.00%	15,652,697	19.35%	281,758,601.55
OML PLC	236000	293500	24.36%	6,743	0.01%	19,411,270.00
				80,903,126	100.00%	3,676,838,010.81

4. BOND TRADING SUMMARY



BOND	MATURITY DATE	COUPON DATE	COUPON RATE (%)	NOMINAL VALUE (MK'MN)
TN02YR31082019	31 August 2019	February & August	11	20,000.00
TN02YR250120	25 January 2020	June & December	10	5,000.00
TN03YR220221	22 February 2021	July & January	11	3,000.00
	28,000.00			

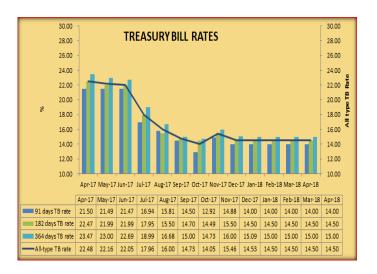
There were no trades on the three Treasury Notes in the period under review which were priced at an average yield of 18.88%, 17.79% and 18.53% respectively by the current holders. There is however, a willing buyer for Treasury Note S/N TN02YR310819 at a price of MK92.2460 (Yield 22.20%).

5. ECONOMIC REVIEW



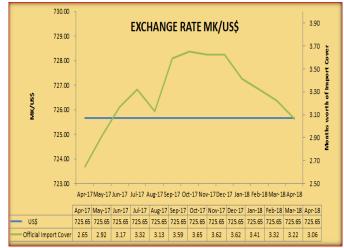
Interest Rates

During the period under review, the yields on the 91 days T-bill, the 182 days T-bill and the 364 days T-bill were steady at 14.0000%, 14.5000% and 15.0000% respectively.



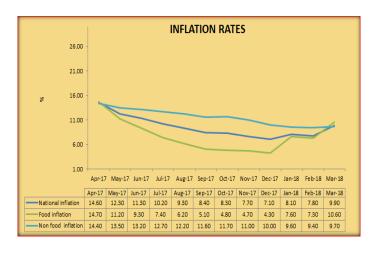
Exchange Rates

The Kwacha was stable against the United States Dollar in the period under review. Gross official reserves marginally decreased from 3.22 months of import cover on 31 March 2018 to 3.06 months of import cover on 30 April 2018.



Inflation Rates

Headline inflation increased by 2.1 percentage points from 7.8% in February, 2018 to 9.9% in March, 2018.



Monetary Policy Rate

The Monetary Policy Committee at its meeting held on 27 and 28 March, 2018 decided to maintain the policy rate at 16%.



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