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Macro developments

As per news reports, government is expected to augment the pace of capital expenditure which has remained muted in three of the five months through Jul'21. Against the budgeted Rs 5.54tn, Centre now needs to raise capex by 36% in the remaining months of this fiscal on an unfavourable base. Even various departments have been consulted to resolve any issue that can obstruct key projects. However, initiatives such as NIP, monetisation of assets and gaining traction of the economy are likely to provide the comfort.

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- US jobless claims for the week ended 28 Aug 2021 fell by 14,000 to 340,000 a new pandemic low signalling steady rebound in the overall economic activity. Despite concerns over new variation of Covid-19, increasing pace of vaccinations have provide support to the labour market and as a result has boosted hiring due to higher demand. The 4-week moving average of claims, fell by 11,750 to 355,000.
- Japan services PMI index fell sharply in Aug'21 to 42.9 from 47.4 in Jul'21 (steepest decline since May'20). With continued Covid-19 restrictions in place and surge in daily infections, demand faltered, leading to sharp decline in new orders. Input prices rose for the 9th consecutive months, while selling prices reduced for the 1st time in 5 months to stimulate demand. However, 12 month ahead businesses sentiment index remained positive and employment rose, as business expect increased rate of vaccination to improve demand in future.

Markets

- Bonds: Except Japan and China (higher), global yields closed lower. US 10Y yield fell by 1bps (1.28%) ahead of US jobs data. Crude prices rose by 2% (US\$ 73/bbl) on hopes of improving demand as US inventories fell. India's 10Y yield fell by 3bps (6.17%) amidst reports of lower borrowing in H2FY22. It is trading flat today.
- Currency: Barring INR, other global currencies closed higher against the dollar. DXY fell by 0.2% as investors await US jobs report (non-farm payroll). Better than expected initial jobless claims print has increased likelihood of earlier tapering of stimulus by US Fed. INR closed flat. It is trading higher today in line with other Asian currencies.
- Equity: Global indices ended higher as investor monitored strengthening of US labour market (jobless claims falling to new-pandemic low) and growing optimism over global economic recovery. Amongst other indices, Sensex (0.9%) surged the most led by consumer durable and technology stocks. It is trading higher today, while other Asian stocks are trading mixed.





Fig 1 - Movement in key global asset classes

Particulars	Current	1D	1W	1M	3M	12M
10Y yields (Δ bps)						
US	1.28	(1)	(7)	11	(34)	65
UK	0.68	(1)	8	16	(16)	44
Japan	0.04	1	1	2	(5)	0
Germany	(0.39)	(1)	2	10	(20)	10
India^^	6.17	(3)	(8)	(2)	18	27
China	2.83	1	(6)	1	(26)	(29)
2Y yields (Δ bps)						
US	0.21	0	(4)	3	5	8
UK	0.19	(1)	5	16	11	29
Japan	(0.13)	(1)	(1)	(1)	0	(1)
Germany	(0.72)	(1)	2	6	(5)	(1)
India^	4.10	3	(3)	(7)	(20)	(25)
China	2.23	0	(4)	23	(11)	(35)
Currencies (Δ %)						
EUR	1.1875	0.3	1.0	0	(2.1)	0.2
GBP	1.3833	0.5	1.0	(0.4)	(1.9)	4.2
JPY	109.94	0.1	0.1	(0.6)	0.3	(3.5)
AUD	0.7400	0.5	2.3	0.5	(3.4)	1.7
INR	73.07	0	1.6	1.7	(0.2)	0.6
CNY	6.4565	0.1	0.4	0.1	(0.8)	5.7
Equity & Other indices (Δ %)						
Dow	35,444	0.4	0.7	1.7	2.5	25.3
FTSE	7,164	0.2	0.5	1.2	1.4	22.4
DAX	15,841	0.1	0.3	1.7	1.3	21.3
NIKKEI	28,544	0.3	2.9	2.7	(1.8)	21.6
Shanghai Comp	3,597	0.8	2.7	3.8	0.4	6.3
SENSEX	57,853	0.9	3.4	9.3	10.8	48.4
Brent (US\$/bbl)	73.03	2.0	2.8	0.2	2.4	65.7
Gold (US\$/oz)	1,810	(0.2)	1.0	(0.2)	(3.3)	(6.3)
CRB Index	557.3	0	(0.5)	(1.2)	1.8	41.1
Rogers Agri Index	1,072.6	0.7	(1.4)	0.3	0.3	45.8
LIBOR (3M)*	0.12	0	0	0	(1)	(13)
INR 5Y Swap*	5.80	1	3	(1)	31	30
India FII data (US\$ mn)	1 Sep	31 Aug	WTD	MTD	CYTD	FYTD
FII-Debt	202.3	220.0	460.2	202.3	(1,211.6)	815.7
FII-Equity	87.6	384.5	705.4	87.6	7,478.2	151.8

Source: Bloomberg, Bank of Baroda Research | *Indicates change in bps |^^6.10GS2031, ^ 4.26GS2023 security

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