ABC Capital Weekly Market Report

Member of the NSE since 1954 Week *Ending 6th February 2026*

1. Capital Markets

Top Gainers			Top Losers		
Company	Price	% Change	Company	Price	% Change
AMAC	93.75	9.97%	Car and General	53.50	-8.9%
Longhorn Publishers	2.93	8.12%	Eveready East Africa	1.30	-6.47%
Eaagads	21.25	5.20%	Express Kenya	6.92	-5.98%
Crown Paints	56.75	5.09%	Jubilee Holdings	325.50	-2.91%
Nation Media Group	13.30	4.31%	BK Group Plc	45.20	-2.69%

Source: Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE)

Activity at the Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE) **maintained its positive momentum** for the week ended February 6, 2026, extending the rally recorded in the prior session. **Total equity turnover increased to KES 4.76 billion**, representing a **6.90% week-on-week rise** from KES 4.45 billion recorded the previous week, while trading volume climbed **8.79% to 124.79 million shares**

Sectoral and Stock Performance

Sectoral performance during the week was **broad-based**, with notable strength in the **Agricultural, Manufacturing, and Media & Publishing** segments. **Africa Mega Agricorp (AMAC)** led gainers with a **9.97% surge to KES 93.75**, while **Longhorn Publishers** advanced **8.12% to KES 2.93**. The **Manufacturing & Allied** sector recorded gains from **Crown Paints (+5.09%)** and **Eaagads Ltd (+5.20%)**, while **Nation Media Group** rose **4.31%**, lifting the **Commercial & Services** sector.

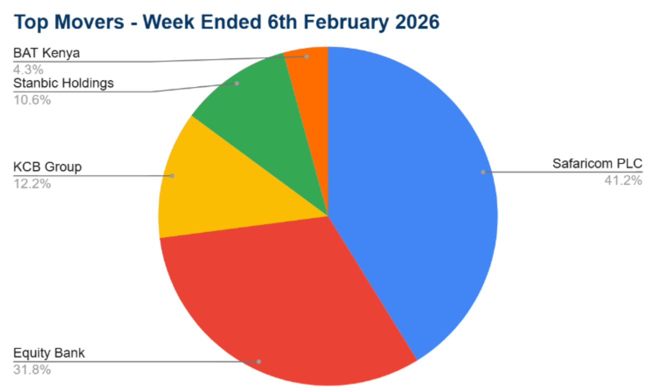
Conversely, weakness persisted in select counters within the **Manufacturing and Commercial** sectors. **Eveready East Africa** declined **6.47%**, **Express Kenya** shed **5.98%**, while **Car and General (-8.90%)**, **Jubilee Holdings (-2.91%)**, and **BK Group (-2.69%)** weighed on performance during the week.

Market Indices and Capitalization

The market sustained its bullish tone, with **all major indices closing higher**:

- **NASI All-Share Index** rose **3.77%** to **202.73** (from 195.36).
- **NSE 20 Share Index** gained **1.46%** to **3,347.53 points**.
- **NSE 25 Share Index** advanced **2.24%** to **5,441.21**.
- **NSE 10 Share Index (N10)** increased **2.33%** to **2,094.47**.
- **Banking Index** edged up **1.62%** to **218.51**.

Market capitalization expanded by **3.77%,** closing the week at **KES 3,199.36 billion**, up from **KES 3,083.07 billion** the previous week.



Performance by Equity Turnover

Liquidity concentration increased, with the **top five counters accounting for KES 3.62 billion**, representing **76.09% of total market turnover**, up from **67.26%** in the prior week

The most actively traded counters were:

- **Safaricom PLC**: KES **1.49 billion** (31.34% of turnover).
- **Equity Bank Group**: KES **1.15 billion** (24.18%).
- **KCB Group**: KES **441.25 million** (9.27%).
- **Stanbic Holdings**: KES **383.71 million** (8.06%).
- **BAT Kenya**: KES **154.27 million** (3.24%).

Investor Participation

Foreign investor activity reversed from the previous week, recording a **net foreign outflow of KES 1.06 billion**, compared to a net inflow of KES 506.78 million the prior week. Foreign investors posted **KES 639.52 million in purchases** against **KES 1.70 billion in sales**.

Total foreign turnover stood at **KES 1.17 billion**, representing **24.58% of market activity**, while **local investors dominated trading with KES 3.59 billion**, accounting for **75.42%** of total turnover.

Corporate Announcements.

- **HFC Limited – Appointment of Independent NonExecutive Director;** HFC Limited announced the appointment of Mr. Samuel Mwangi Makome as an additional Independent Non-Executive Director, effective 30 January 2026.
- **Safaricom PLC – Declaration of Interim Dividend:** Safaricom PLC announced the declaration of an interim dividend of KES 0.85 per ordinary share for the financial year ending 31 March 2026.
- **Standard Group PLC – Suspension of Proposed Rights Issue;** Standard Group PLC announced the suspension of its previously proposed Rights Issue following a Board resolution on 4 February 2026. The Company noted that the suspension does not amount to a cancellation and does not indicate any adverse change in its business or governance.
- **KPLC PLC-Unaudited Financial Results;** KPLC shared its Unaudited Financial Results for the Half-Year Period Ended 31 December 2025 recording a profit before tax of Kshs.14.83 billion.

Dividend announcements

Company	Announcement
Safaricom PLC	Safaricom announced an **interim dividend of KES 0.85 per share** in early February 2026 for the financial year ending March 31, 2026. The dividend will be **paid on or about March 31, 2026**, to shareholders on the register as at the **book closure date of February 25, 2026**.
Kenya Power and Lighting Company Plc	KPLC declared an **interim dividend of KES 0.30 per share** on 3rd February 2026, following the release of strong half-year unaudited results, which reported a **profit before tax of KES 14.83 billion** for the period ended December 31, 2025. The dividend represents a **50% increase** from the previous interim payout and will be **paid on or about March 27, 2026**, to shareholders on record as of 23rd **February 2026**.
East African Breweries PLC (EABL)	EABL announced an **interim dividend of KES 4.00 per share** in late January 2026. The dividend will be **paid on or about April 30, 2026**, to shareholders on the register as at the **book closure date of February 20, 2026**.

Fixed Income Market Performance

Bond	Value Traded (Kshs. M)	WoW (%) Change
Total Mkt Value	57,517.85	-20.23%

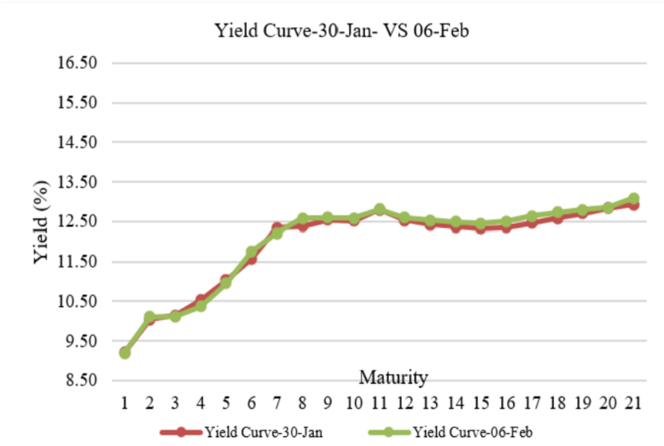
Source: Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE)

Activity in the fixed income segment at the Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE) remained **subdued** during the week ended February 6, 2026. **Bond turnover declined by 20.23% to KES 57.52 billion**, down from KES 72.11 billion the previous week, reflecting **reduced secondary market trading activity**.

The **Bond Index eased by 0.55%** to close at **1,167.67**, indicating mild downward pressure on bond prices. This occurred against a backdrop of **stable macroeconomic conditions**, with the **Central Bank Rate unchanged at 9.00%** and **inflation steady at 4.49%**.

The **yield curve remained largely stable**, with slight easing observed across maturities. Short-term yields continued to hover in the **8–10% range**, while longer-dated tenors traded within the **11–15%+ range**, as investor preference tilted towards equities amid the week's strong performance in the equity market.

No major new bond issuances or corporate fixed income announcements were reported during the period.



(Kshs. Mn)	Auction Results
	SWITCH
Bond	FXD1/ 2022/015
Tenor (Remaining)	13.2 Years
Due Date	21/03/2039
Total Amt. Offered	20 billion
Total Amt. Bids	26.491
Amount Accepted	25.173
Market WaR	13.17%
Coupon Rate (%)	13.17%
Withholding Tax	10.00%

Source: Central Bank of Kenya (CBK)

Fixed income trading at the Nairobi Securities Exchange remained **subdued during the week ended 6th February 2026**, as secondary market activity softened. **Bond turnover declined by 20.23% to KES 57.52 billion**, down from KES 72.11 billion in the previous week.

Bond prices came under **mild pressure**, with the **NSE Bond Index slipping by 0.55% to close at 1,167.67**, despite a stable macroeconomic backdrop. The **Central Bank Rate remained unchanged at 9.00%**, while **headline inflation held at 4.49%**, providing continued support to real yields.

The **yield curve remained broadly stable**, with **91-day Treasury bills averaging 7.63%**, **182-day bills at ~8.10%**, and **364-day bills at ~8.90%** during the period. On the longer end, **5-year government bonds traded at ~12.40%**, **10-year tenors at ~13.20%**, and **20-year bonds at ~14.80%**, indicating limited repricing across maturities as investors rotated toward equities amid the week's strong stock market performance.

2. Key Benchmark Rates

Benchmark Rate	Current	Previous	Variance
Central Bank Rate (CBR)	9.00%	9.00%	0.00%
Month on Month Inflation	4.49%	4.49%	0.00%
Inter Bank Rate (KESONIA)	8.99%	8.96%	0.33%
91 Day Treasury Bill Rate	7.63%	7.72%	-1.17%
182 Day Treasury Bill Rate	7.80%	7.80%	0.00%
364 Day Treasury Bill Rate	9.20%	9.20%	0.00%

Source: Central Bank of Kenya (CBK)

Money market conditions remained **stable** during the **week ended 6th February 2026**, supported by effective open market operations. **Commercial banks held excess reserves averaging KES 8.9 billion above the 3.25% CRR**, up from KES 6.8 billion the previous week.

The **KESONIA rate remained unchanged at 8.99%**, in line with stable macro conditions, including an **unchanged Central Bank Rate of 9.00%** and **inflation at 4.49%**. Interbank activity moderated, with **average daily transactions declining to 14** and **average value traded easing to KES 6.7 billion**, reflecting comfortable liquidity and reduced funding pressures.

Treasury Bill Auction Results

In the week ended 6th February 2026, Treasury bill performance moderated following last week's strong oversubscription. Investor demand remained concentrated at the short and long ends, with the **91-day and 364-day papers recording performance rates of 223.9% and 408.3% respectively**, while the **182-day tenor was largely undersubscribed**. The sustained dominance of the 364-day paper mirrors last week's auction, where long-term instruments drove overall demand amid ample market liquidity.

Tenor	Amount Offered (KSh M)	Bids Received (KSh M)	Performance Rate (%)
91-Day	4,000.00	12,957.27	223.93%
182-Day	10,000.00	497.24	-95.03%
364-Day	10,000.00	36,582.91	408.29%

3. Money Market Funds (MMF) – Top 10 as of 6th February 2026

Rank	Fund Manager	Daily Yield	Effective Annual Rate (p.a.)
1	Cytonn	11.17%	11.81%
2	Lofty_Corban	10.41%	10.95%
3	Etica	9.93%	10.44%
4	Kuza	9.84%	10.34%
5	Old Mutual	9.66%	10.12%
6	Jubilee	9.66%	10.10%
7	Britam	9.61%	10.08%
8	Madison	9.38%	9.83%
9	Dry Associates	9.22%	9.62%
10	KCB	8.93%	9.31%

Source: Business Daily 05.02.2026

4. Exchange Rates

Currency	6/2/2026	29/01/2026	% Change
US Dollar (USD)	129.02	129.03	+0.01% (Appreciation)
Sterling Pound (GBP)	175.02	177.78	+1.55% (Appreciation)
Euro (EUR)	152.22	154.38	+1.40% (Appreciation)
Japanese Yen (JPY)*	82.31	84.53	+2.63% (Appreciation)
Uganda Shilling (UGX)*	27.59	27.74	+0.54% (Appreciation)
Tanzania Shilling (TZS)*	19.84	19.84	0.00% (Stable)
Rwandese Franc (RWF)*	11.27	11.27	0.00% (Stable)
Burundi Franc (BIF)*	22.96	22.95	-0.04% (Depreciation)

Source: Central Bank of Kenya

During the week ending **5th February 2026**, the Kenya Shilling remained broadly stable against the U.S. Dollar, trading at **KSh 129.02**, a marginal appreciation from **KSh 129.03** recorded the previous week. The currency's resilience persisted despite global USD movements, underpinned by **strong foreign exchange reserves**, which rose to **USD 12,387 million** from **USD 12,334 million**. This level provides **5.3 months of import cover**, comfortably above the CBK's statutory minimum of four months, reinforcing confidence in external sector stability.

5. Derivatives

Indicator	Current Week	Previous Week	WOW Change
Contracts	4,693	3,004	56.23%
Total Turnover	14,825.26	17,320.85	-14.40%

During the week ended 6th February 2026, activity on the NEXT Derivatives Market increased significantly. A total of 4,693 contracts were traded, compared to 3,004 contracts in the previous week, reflecting an 56.23% increase.

6. Global Markets

Index	1 Month (%)	YTD (%)	1 Year (%)	3 Years (%)
Dow Jones	-0.18	1.76	10.39	43.19
S&P 500	-1.77	-0.69	12.82	63.27
Nasdaq	-4.43	-3.02	15.45	86.07
Bovespa	12.44	13.03	46.15	68.9
MSCI World	-0.87	0.47	16.14	57.82
DAX	-2.59	-0.08	12.32	59.73
FTSE 100	2.32	3.52	18.17	30.73
CAC 40	-0.46	0.57	2.8	14.91

Euro Stoxx 50	-0.01	2.18	11.22	40.71
MOEX Russia	-0.3	-1.07	-7.74	20.7
Shanghai	-0.49	2.44	23.06	25.17
DJ Shanghai	-0.23	3.68	24.16	21.4
Hang Seng	0.38	3.63	25.68	24.7
Nifty 50	-2.05	-2.01	8.68	44.49

Global equity markets posted mixed performance in the week ending **6th February 2026**, with a strong Friday rebound offsetting earlier weakness, particularly in tech-heavy indices. Year-to-date returns remained varied, with the **Dow Jones up 1.76%**, **S&P 500 down 0.69%**, **Nasdaq down 3.02%**, **DAX down 0.08%**, **Euro Stoxx 50 up 2.18%**, and **Shanghai Composite up 2.44%**, reflecting uneven regional resilience amid volatility.

Markets closed the week on a strong note, led by a **2.47% daily surge in the Dow Jones**, which crossed **50,000** for the first time, alongside gains in the S&P 500, Nasdaq, and European equities, signaling value rotation and renewed dip-buying after mid-week tech sell-offs.

Commodities & Precious Metals

Commodity	Previous Week	Current	Weekly Change (%)
Gold (Spot)	$4,893.20	$4,968.56	1.54%
Silver (Spot)	$78.53	$77.98	-0.70%
Brent Crude	$68.05	$68.05	0.00%
WTI Crude	$64.50	$63.55	-1.47%

Source: Trading Economics, Investing.com, Reuters

Commodity markets remained volatile in the week ending 6th **February 2026**, following a sharp late-January correction in precious metals after **President Trump nominated Kevin Warsh as Federal Reserve Chair on January 30, 2026**. The nomination was interpreted as hawkish, supporting a stronger USD and triggering **COMEX margin increases, leveraged position unwinds, and sharp price declines**, particularly in silver, which experienced one of its steepest single-day drops on record.

By week's end, **precious metals partially rebounded**. Gold closed higher amid **softer US economic data (including elevated jobless claims)**, dip-buying, and ongoing geopolitical uncertainty. Silver posted strong gains on February 6 but remained volatile and below prior highs. **Energy markets were comparatively resilient**, supported by supply considerations, Saudi Aramco OSP adjustments, and cautious Middle East dynamics, though some benchmarks were still slightly lower on a weekly basis after earlier gains.

7. Crypto Currencies

Coin	Volume (USD Bn)	Current (USD)	Previous Week Close (USD)	% Change (Weekly)
Bitcoin (BTC)	114.67	70,555.39	89,394.00	-21.07%
Ethereum (ETH)	64.99	2,063.39	2,985.00	-30.88%
Solana (SOL)	11.67	87.46	132.5	-33.99%

Source: *finance.yahoo.com*, *coinmarketcap.com*

The week saw a **sharp mid-week correction**, with total market capitalization declining amid heightened risk aversion, rising yields, and a broad **leveraged position unwind**. A strong rebound on **6th February**—with **Bitcoin up 12.25% and Ethereum up approximately 12.95%**—signaled renewed dip-buying and short-term stabilization, although several altcoins, including **Solana**, lagged the recovery. For other major tokens previously referenced (Tether, XRP, BNB, USDC, Dogecoin, and Tron), **consistent and fully verifiable closing prices and volumes for 6th February were not uniformly available across primary sources** and are therefore excluded. Near-term direction will likely be influenced by **ETF flows and broader macroeconomic conditions**.

8. Market Watch

1.Global Focus

Global markets are navigating a "data vacuum" following a U.S. government shutdown that delayed the highly anticipated January Non-Farm Payrolls report. With the

Federal Reserve maintaining rates at **3.50%–3.75%**, investor attention shifted to *Magnificent Seven* earnings for guidance. Alphabet and Amazon both exceeded revenue expectations, driven by robust AI and cloud growth; however, their combined **$220 billion-plus CapEx forecasts for 2026** raised concerns over the scale of investment, triggering a technology-sector sell-off. As a result, the **Dow Jones reached a record 50,000**, while the **Nasdaq declined** amid a rotation into defensive value stocks.

2. Kenya Market Focus

The **Nairobi Securities Exchange** remained bullish, with the **NASI rising 3.77%** over the week. Market sentiment was dominated by **Nedbank's $855 million bid for a 66% stake in NCBA Group**, which sparked a sector-wide re-rating and lifted Tier-1 peers such as **KCB and Equity**. Investor focus now turns to the **February 10 MPC meeting**, with inflation easing to **4.4% in January** and the **Shilling stable at 129.00**. Expectations are divided between a hold at the **9.0% policy rate** and a dovish signal aimed at stimulating private-sector credit. Meanwhile, market liquidity remains elevated following **Kenya Power's interim dividend announcement**.

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