# QUOTE OF THE DAY

05 March 2025

"It is never too late to be what you might have been."

George Eliot

### **UAE NEWS**

- Growth in UAE's non-oil private sector head steady through Feb as increasing levels of new business led to higher output, with S&P Global UAE PMI remained unchanged.
- Falcon, a premier aviation service provider, plans to invest around \$100mln for the upgradation of its facilities at Al Maktoum International Airport over the next 5-years.
- UAE, UK strengthen collaboration to combat illicit financial flows. The meeting brought together senior representatives from both nations to discuss key areas of cooperation.
- Dubai's real estate market continued its strong start to 2025, with property sales in February totalling AED51.1 billion, up 40% over last year, according to fam Properties.
- UAE lender Deem Finance, has secured an asset-backed securitization facility (ABS) of up to \$400 million, with J.P. Morgan as the facility provider.
- Dubai toll gate operator Salik posted its profit after tax for 2024 at 1.16 billion UAE dirhams (\$315.9 million), while EBITDA for the full year reached AED 1.6 billion, a 13.6% YOY growth.

SIB'S DIST	TRIBUTED (FEB)	PROFIT RATES -	PER ANNUM		6-Mar-25	EIBOR	SOFR	SOFR	
Watany Investment a/c. 0.20312% Savings Investment a/c. 0.40625%			1 month 3 months	4.26963 4.19060	4.31406 4.30019	O/N	4.33000		
UNRESTRI	CTED INVESTMEN	T DEPOSITS (AED	) - FEB - PER ANI	MUM	31110111113	4.17000	1.00017	DONIA	
1 month	3 months	6 months	9 months	1 year	6 months	4.25526	4.21664	O/N	4.20780
1.21875%	1.82812%	2.23437%	2.43750%	3.25%	1 year	4.37195	4.05781	1 week	4.26940

CUSTOMER WAKALA DEPOSIT - EXPECTED PROFIT RATES - PER ANNUM

1 month 3.90% 3 months 4.00% 6 months 3.95% 9 months 3.90% 1 year 3.85%

9700
9600
9500
9400
9300
9300
9200

ADX General Index:



9200			4950					
STOCKS - ADX	CLOSE % CHG		STOCKS - DFM		OPEN	CLOSE	% CHG	
SIB	2.750	2.640	-4.00	Emaar Prope	erties	13.850	14.150	2.17
ADNOC L&S 5.090 5.170			1.57	DEWA 2.600			2.610	0.38
e&	e& 16.56 16.72 0.97				(	1.670	1.680	0.60
FAB	FAB 14.240 14.340 0.70			Air Arabia		3.600	3.560	-1.11
ADIB	ADIB 17.000 17.500			SALIK 5.130			5.110	-0.39
Dana Gas	0.798	0.797	-0.13	Dubai Islamic Bank		7.600	7.610	0.13
ADNOC Gas	3.400	3.360	-1.18	DFM		1.400	1.410	0.71
SUKUK BID OFFER		FER	SUKUK		BID	OFFER		
2.85% SIB SUKUK 2025	99.208	99.231		5.5% SHJ GOVT SUKUK 2029		101.029	101.299	
5% SIB SUKUK TIER 1 PERP'25	99.279	99.	965	8.750% SOBI	HA 2028	101.815	102.333	
5.25% SIB SUKUK 2029	100.954	101	.147	3.97% T-SUKUk	('25 (AED)	99.912	99.933	
10.875% EGYPT 2026 102.486		102.673		7.95% PAKISTAN 2029		93.875	94.625	
6.95% TURKEY WF 2030 100.530		100.941		9.875% MALDIVES 2026		82.010	83.490	
7.250% ADIB CAP 2028	250% ADIB CAP 2028 104.702 105.665		9.625% BINGHATTI 2027		99.625	99.800		
LATEST STOCK MARKET INDICATORS:								
Dow Jones:	42,520.99	-670.25	DFMGI:	5,354.65	+27.05	Bahrain:	1,980.07	-0.09
Nasdaq:	18,285.16	-65.03	ADX:	9,591.34	+31.04	Qatar:	10,470.94	+6.94
S&P 500: 5,778.15		-71.57	Saudi:	11,931.70	-192.11	Kuwait:	8,165.15	-8.05

### **ISLAMIC BANKING NEWS**

- Global sukuk issuance will likely decline in 2025 after 2024's record amid lower sukuk refinancing needs of key sovereigns in GCC countries, particularly Saudi Arabia, Moody's Rating said.
- PITS out for Government of Ras Al Khaimah 10yr \$ sukuk benchmark, tbp today. Rated A/A+ by S&P/Fitch both. The sukuk will be listed on Nasdaq Dubai.

### GCC NEWS

- Saudi banks' profits surged 16.% to \$2.2bln in January 2025. Banks across KSA posted results in the beginning of the year, fuelled by strong lending activity which climbed to \$746bln.
- Rawasi Albina Investment Co. sold 50 million riyals worth of sukuk at a profit rate of 10.25%, the first in a series of riyal denominated sukuk programme worth a total SAR 500 million.

### **COMMODITIES**

- Gold edged lower on Wednesday as a firmer USD and Treasury yields pressured the yellow metal, while markets continued to track the possible impact of fresh U.S. tariffs.
- Oil prices fell as plans by major producers to raise output in April combined with concerns of U.S. tariffs will slow economic and fuel demand growth hammered investor sentiment.

# FOREX NEWS

- GBP edged higher against the USD as traders weighed the implication of Donald Trump tariffs on Canada, Mexico and China.
- INR gained on broad-based interbank dollar sales & after the central bank's firm defence levels in recent sessions helped keep a lid on speculative bets against the currency.

FOREX RATES												
			Prev. High	Prev. Low	AED				Prev. High	Prev. Low	AED	
EUR	t	1.0634	1.0627	1.0470	3.9059	JPY		149.630	149.8800	148.0700	0.02455	
GBP	1	1.2793	1.2799	1.2676	4.6989	CAD	1	1.4424	1.4543	1.4369	2.54645	
AUD	1	0.6257	0.6272	0.6185	2.2982	INR	1	87.139	87.4025	87.1060	0.04215	
CHF	1	0.8889	0.8973	0.8869	4.1321	PKR	1	279.750	279.7500	279.5000	0.01313	

### **MAJOR CHARTS**

# 1.06 1.05 1.01 1.01 1.01 1.01 1.01 1.01

SOFR - OVERNIGHT INDEX SWAP (OIS)



	1 year	1 year 2 years 5 years		10 years	Gold	2,918.29	\$/ounce	+0.80
USD	4.0085	3.7944	3.7354	3.8071	Silver	32.16	\$/ounce	+0.13
					Brent Crude	e 70.80	\$ / barrel	-0.24
		J.S. TREASURY YII	ELD					
	2 years	3 years	5 years	10 years	WTI Crude	67.68	\$ / barrel	-0.57
USD	3.9542	3.9553	4.0200	4.2337		CRYPTO CURREI	NCIES	
	0.70.12				IN US\$	ETHEREUM <b>↓</b> 2,180.03	BITCOIN 🖣	87,242.76

## FORTHCOMING ECONOMIC INDICATORS

05-03-2025 - USD - ADP Employment Change (Feb)

06-03-2025 - EUR - Retail Sales (YoY) (Jan)

05-03-2025 - CHF - Consumer Price Index (YoY) (Feb) 05-03-2025 - GBP - BoE Monetary Policy Report Hearings 06-03-2025 - EUR - ECB Monetary Policy Statement

06-03-2025 - AUD - Trade Balance (MoM) (Jan)

### FINANCIAL TERM OF THE DAY

# Short Squeeze:

A short squeeze happens in financial markets when the price of an asset rises sharply, causing traders who had sold short to close their positions. It occurs when a security has a significant amount of short sellers.

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