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# Daily Currency outlook

## Recommendation in the report

Currency Pair	Contract	Action	Price	Target	Stoploss	Duration
US\$INR	February futures	Sell	72.91	72.70	73.05	1 day

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## INR Futures

Currency	Close	Pvs. Close	% Change
US\$-INR	72.68	72.68	0.00
EUR-INR	88.22	88.03	0.19
GBP-INR	101.15	100.98	0.17
JPY-INR (Future)	69.10	69.09	0.01

## Global Bonds

Indices	Close	Pvs. Close	% Change
India 10 Year	6.02	6.02	0.00
India 2 Year	4.52	4.52	-0.07
US 10 Year	1.30	1.25	4.18
US 2 Year	0.12	0.12	0.00
Germany 10 Year	-0.35	-0.38	-9.16

## FII & FPI Activities

Segment	Purchase	Sell	Net Rs. crores
Equity	5753	3834	1919
Debt	1449	825	624
Net			2543

- After some intraday volatility and support at lower levels, the rupee ended almost flat. Sell-off in equities and elevated crude oil prices are likely to keep the rupee move in check
- US Empire State index surprised on the upside in February while the Dollar index turned positive and moved towards 90.5 levels

- Despite starting the day on a positive note, the Nifty faced selling pressure from higher levels and ended the day on a flat note. Sectorally, IT stocks along with FMCG and banking stocks saw selling pressure
- The Bank Nifty saw a pause in its upward move as select leading private as well as PSU banks corrected from higher levels

- Foreign institutional investors (FII) again turned buyer as they bought to the tune of ₹ 2543 crore on February 13, 2021. They bought worth ₹ 1919 crore in the equity market and bought worth ₹ 624 crore in the debt market

## US\$INR futures on NSE

Contracts	LTP	chnng (%)	OI	Vol	(% change)	
					OI	Vol
Feb	72.79	0.11	3061354	1770977	-8.05	-0.49
Mar	73.10	0.14	893602	510174	25.79	-7.74
Feb-Mar	0.31	-	-	1260803	-	-

- The US\$INR future witnessed marginal bounce whereas spot ended flat. Elevated crude oil prices and Dollar index above 90.5 helped pair to gain 11 paise. However, upsides seem limited
- The dollar-rupee February contract on the NSE was at ₹ 72.79 in the last session. The open interest declined almost 8% in the February series

## Pivot levels

Futures	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2
US\$INR (Feb)	72.53	72.62	72.70	72.79	72.87
US\$INR (Mar)	72.14	72.57	72.83	73.26	73.51
EURINR (Feb)	87.98	88.11	88.23	88.37	88.49
EURINR (Mar)	88.33	88.47	88.60	88.74	88.86
GBPINR (Feb)	100.30	100.69	100.91	101.30	101.51
GBPINR (Mar)	100.84	101.12	101.29	101.57	101.74
JPYINR (Feb)	68.90	68.99	69.13	69.22	69.35
JPYINR (Mar)	69.18	69.28	69.42	69.52	69.65

## US\$INR Strategy

### US\$INR Feb futures contract (NSE)

Sell US\$INR in the range of 72.90-72.92

Market Lot: US\$1000

Target: 72.80/ 72.70

Stop Loss: 73.05

Support: 72.65/72.55

Resistance: 72.92/73.05

Note: The given recommendation in this report is intraday and should not be linked with positional view & recommendations given in Monthly currency Derivatives and Positional Currency report which may have different view.



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