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UK Manufacturing PMI at Nine Month High of 49.8

According to the latest release from IHS Markit, the UK manufacturing index has grown by 2.5 points, to 49.8 in January 2020, over the 47.5 recorded in December 2019. The latest reading, which is just marginally below the 50.0 threshold, signals broadly stable business conditions in the manufacturing sector at the start of the new year. The release noted that the month over month increase in the index was due to higher levels of new work and marginal jobs growth and tempered by the accelerated fall in stocks of purchases. The PMI survey tracks the overall sentiment among purchasing managers at manufacturing, construction an or services firms.

Manufacturing production fell in December, however at a reduced pace, the lowest rate of decline since June 2019. The report noted that the lower output was linked to a lack of pressure on operating capacity and some extent the ability to fulfil orders from inventories which were accumulated to deal with Brexit uncertainty. We believe that the reduced uncertainty surrounding Brexit and the recent signing of the phase one US and China trade deal may lead to further improvement in this indicator, the progress made is likely to boost consumer and business confidence over the short to medium term.

Currency Markets

International Currency Market								
Currency	24-Jan	I7-Jan	DoD % ∆	WoW % ∆	YTD% Δ	ΥοΥ% Δ		
EUR: USD	1.103	1.109	-0.24%	-0.57%	-1.64%	-2.43%		
GBP: USD	1.308	1.300	-0.34%	0.48%	-1.34%	0.10%		
USD: CAD	1.314	1.310	0.12%	0.59%	1.18%	-1.55%		
USD: JPY	109.260	110.140	-0.21%	-0.80%	0.60%	-0.35%		

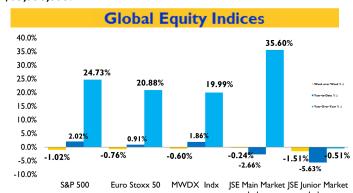
Local Foreign Currency Market									
Currency	24-Jan	23-Jan	I7-Jan	DoD % Δ	WoW % ∆	YTD % ∆			
USD:JMD	140.75	140.56	138.67	0.14%	1.50%	6.17%			
GBP:JMD	186.32	183.37	183.31	1.61%	1.64%	8.6%			
CAD:IMD	110.49	107.80	107.55	2.49%	2.73%	10.3%			

Global Interest Rates

Rates	24-Jan	17-Jan	DoD Δ bps	WoW ∆ bps	YTD Δ bps	YoY \(\Delta \) bps
10 Year US Treasury Bond	1.69%	1.82%	-4.00	-13.00	-23.00	-103.00
10 Year UK Gilt	0.56%	0.63%	-3.00	-7.00	-26.00	-71.00
GOJ 2025 Global Bond	3.81%	3.76%	4.00	5.00	-4.00	-151.00
5 Year US Treas- ury Bond	1.51%	1.62%	-4.00	-11.00	-18.00	-104.00
5 Year UK Gilt	0.39%	0.42%	-1.00	-3.00	-21.00	-52.00

Week in Review: January 20-24, 2020 **Local Equity Market BEST AND WORST PERFORMERS ADVANCERS VMIL** 23.87% **ISP** -25.08% **PULS** KW 17.47% -14.68% **CFF** 13.18% **SCIJMD** -13.22%

JSE Main Market activity resulted from trading in 47 stocks of which 11 advanced, 28 declined and 8 traded firm. Market volume amounted to 127,858,996 units valued at over \$1,090,855,298. JSE Junior Market activity resulted from trading in 40 stocks of which 14 advanced, 23 declined and 3 traded firm. Market volume amounted to 22,661,946 units valued at over \$63,558,835.



Upcoming Week: January 27 – January 31, 2020								
Country	Report	Period	Forecast	Prior				
US	Initial Jobless Claims	25-Jan	215k	211k				
US	FOMC Rate Decision (Upper Bound)	29-Jan	1.75%	1.75%				
US	GDP Annualized QoQ	4Q A	2.10%	2.10%				
US	U. of Mich. Sentiment	Jan F	99.10	99.10				
US	Conf. Board Consumer Confidence	Jan	128.00	126.50				
US	Durable Goods Orders	Dec P	0.50%	-2.10%				
UK	Bank of England Bank Rate	30-Jan	0.75%	0.75%				
EC	GDP SA QoQ	4Q A	0.20%	0.20%				

LOCAL STOCK RECOMMENDATIONS

COMPANY NAME	PRICE MOVEMENTS	J\$	STATISTICS	COMPANY VITALS	INDUSTRY VITALS	RATIONALE
January 24, 2020						
JMMB Group Ltd (JMMBGL) BUY	Current Price 52 Week High 53 Week Low WoW % YTD %	\$45.30 \$55.07 \$29.50 -4.53% -2.67%	EPS \$2.42 BVPS \$16.00 T12M Div. \$1.03 Div. Yield % 1.08%	P/E 16.00 P/B 2.57	P/E 20.47 P/B 2.72	JMMBGL is one of Jamaica's largest financial services corporations, entering the market in 1992 as the first Money Market Brokerage firm. The holding company, JMMB Group Limited, was formed as a parent to house the group of companies. To date, the JMMB Group Ltd. has extended its reach across the Caribbean, including Dominican Republic and Trinidad and Tobago. The Group has over 316,000 clients and continues to grow steadily. We believe that in additon to its core businesses, key strategic partnerships such as the 22.2% stake in Sagicor Financial Corporation allows JMMBGL to achieve further diversification and increased profitability.
Fontana Ltd (FTNA) HOLD	Current Price 52 Week High 53 Week Low WoW % YTD %	\$7.00 \$9.00 \$3.19 -0.23% -0.29%	EPS (\$0.00) BVPS \$1.03 T12M Div. \$0.00 Div. Yield % 4.00%	ROE 22.00% P/E 30.95 P/B 6.81	P/E 22.13 P/B 9.60	Over the past 50 years, Fontana has successfully extended its reach from Mandeville to other major locations in Jamaica including the flagship location recently opened in Waterloo Square, whilst strengthening its brand image in the competitive local retail pharmacy market. The Company has maintained increasing sales over the last five (5) financial years. We believe that Fontana represents a unique oppurtunity growth play for investors that are willing to hold the stock over a medium-term investment horizon.
GraceKennedy Ltd (GK) HOLD	Current Price 52 Week High 53 Week Low WoW % YTD %	\$77.37 \$79.99 \$56.06 1.99% 11.43%	EPS \$0.11 BVPS \$54.99 T12M Div. \$0.06 Div. Yield % 2.00%	P/E 13.63 P/B 1.41	P/E 13.83 P/B 2.14	We believe that GraceKennedy Limited is poised for continued sustainable growth given its wide range of products and services across its four (4) business segments. Since the beginning of FY 2018, GK has initiated its multiyear transformational strategy and in an attempt to achieve its goals, has made changes to its organizational and cost structure as well as its business processes. We are recommending that investors HOLD the stock at its current price.
Wigton Windfarm Ltd(WIG) HOLD	Current Price 52 Week High 53 Week Low WoW % YTD % 1.2 0.8 0.4 0.2 0.1	\$0.97 \$1.15 \$0.60 0.99% -0.22%	EPS (\$0.00) BVPS \$0.31 T12M Div. \$0.00 Div. Yield % 0.00%	P/E 13.36 P/B 3.11	P/E 13.36 P/B 1.18	We believe that Wigton Windfarm provides an advantage for investors in three main ways. The first is diversification, as it is an alternative energy investment which becomes more crucial in the midst of global warming. The second is an increase in medium to long term value driven by profitability. The third is liquidity as the availability of shares is wide and allows a tidy entry into or exit out of the investment. Wigton Windfarm has potential competition from MPC Caribbean and New Fortress Energy but they together form an ecosystem which is needed to move the Caribbean away from its reliance on Fossil Fuels, the 2nd most expensive item on Jamaica's import bill.
Lasco Manufacturing Ltd (LASM) HOLD	Current Price 52 Week High 53 Week Low WoW % YTD %	\$4.14 \$6.50 \$3.00 -0.38% -11.66%	EPS (\$0.12) BVPS \$1.52 T12M Div. \$0.01 Div. Yield % 6.11%	P/E 14.92 P/B 2.73	P/E 20.84 P/B 3.65	We believe that LASCO Manufacturing has a strong brand presence in all major business segments. LASM dominates the dry blend beverage category through its diverse portfolio which includes LASCO Food Drink, LaSoy Lactose Free, Porridge Mix, Whole Milk etc. In addition to its wide array of offerings the Company is positioned to the lower end of the price spectrum, which makes them more attractive to consumers relative to their competitors such as Nestle, Seprod and GraceKennedy. LASM employs a strategic partnership with its sister company, Lasco Distributors (LASD), which operates as the exclusive distributor for all products and brands in both markets locally and abroad. This relationship has proven to be successful over the years and we believe this will continue.

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JN Mutual Funds		NAV P	rice	12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield (Estimated Yearly Income)	
Global Diversified Income		g J\$14.43	356	12.51%	-1.14%	1.99%	
Global	Equity	J\$17.33	328	35.85%	-4.14%	0.00%	
Global	Fixed Income	J\$12.13	348	5.73%	1.26%	5.57%	
Global Money Market (US\$)		S\$) US\$10.2	2807	2.05%	0.16%	2.78%	
Global Fixed Income (US\$)		\$) US\$10.3	3539	3.46%	0.17%	2.44%	
Local Money Market		J\$10.60	668	2.85%	0.27%	3.35%	
	Global Money Market Fund	Local Money Market Fund	Glob	al Fixed Income Funds	Global Diversified Income Fund	Global Equity Fund	
Objective	To preserve capital whilst providing US dollar (US\$) money market returns	To preserve capital whilst providing Jamaican Dollar (J\$) money market returns	return incom throug (i) A Ja	nieve an attractive total I through capital injection and e growth. This is offered gh two separate Funds: amaican dollar (J\$) and US dollar (US\$) fund.	To provide long-term investment growth through exposure to a diversified range of asset classes.	To provide long-term capital growth and risk diversification.	
Strategy	To invest in local and global money market instruments for safety, liquidity and yield.	To invest in local and global money market instruments for safety and liquidity and yield	To invest in regional, sovereign debt securities, local and international corporate bonds.		To invest in fixed income, high dividend yielding stock REITs and structured produ		

With a suite of six investment portfolios, each with a distinct financial profile, JN Mutual Funds offers a premium opportunity for investors to align their personal financial strategy with their goals, time horizons and risk profile.

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