

# Daily Forex Insight

# **KEY HEADLINES:**

- Crude oil prices surged and U.S. stock market futures tumbled late Tuesday after Iran fired multiple missiles at air bases in Iraq housing U.S. troops, raising fears of a wider Middle East conflict. But electronic markets pared those losses as overnight trading continued, likely lessening the blow when the trading day starts Wednesday. Iranian state TV described the attack as a revenge operation over the killing of Revolutionary Guard Gen. Qassem Soleimani by a U.S. airstrike last week. U.S. officials confirmed missile strikes at two bases in Iraq, but a U.S. official said there were no immediate reports of American casualties. The attacks and the potential of U.S. retaliation raise the possibility of oil supply disruptions, as well as the possibility of violence spreading around the already tumultuous region.
- > The U.S. trade deficit fell to a more than three-year low in November as imports declined further, likely weighed down by the Trump administration's trade war with China, and exports rebounded, suggesting the economy ended 2019 on solid footing. The Commerce Department said on Tuesday the trade deficit decreased 8.2% to \$43.1 billion, the smallest since October 2016. The percentage drop was the largest since January. The trade deficit has narrowed 0.7% through November and is on track to record its first annual decline since 2013. While the shrinking trade bill should provide a boost to gross domestic product in the fourth quarter, falling consumer goods imports also suggest a cooling in domestic demand. Data for October was revised to show the trade gap declining to \$46.9 billion instead of the previously reported \$47.2 billion. Economists polled by Reuters had forecast the trade gap narrowing to \$43.8 billion in November.
- ➤ GBPUSD looks to be undecided with its recent lower highs and higher lows. That said, buyers are attempting to drive the pair back up in efforts to realign with the bigger positive outlook. The short-term oscillators suggest a stall in directional momentum but lean towards the positive picture. The MACD, in the positive zone is marginally above its red trigger line, while the RSI is rising, slightly above its neutral mark. Noteworthy, are the upward sloping simple moving averages (SMAs) and the recent bullish crossover of the 200-day SMA by the 100-day one, which are backing a positive view.

## **Economic Indicators to be released.**

Indicator	Currency	Forecast	Previous	Impact
Consumer Confidence	JPY	39.6	38.7	MEDIUM
German Factory Orders m/m	EUR	0.2%	-0.4%	MEDIUM
ADP Non-Farm Employment Change	USD	160K	67K	HIGH
Crude Oil Inventories	USD	-3.4M	-11.5M	HIGH

# **Support Resistance Levels - Currency Future:**

Currency	LTP	<b>S1</b>	<b>S2</b>	R1	R2	Trend
USDINR FUTURE	71.95	71.85	71.75	72.10	72.20	BULLISH
EURINR FUTURE	80.50	80.30	80.15	80.70	80.90	BULLISH
GBPINR FUTURE	94.70	94.55	94.40	94.90	95.10	BULLISH
JPYINR FUTURE	66.42	66.30	66.20	66.60	66.75	BULLISH

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