

Week in Review

• Global: US data releases following the federal government reopening painted a muddled macro picture as: 1) nonfarm payrolls rose by 119,000 in September, more than double the market expectations; but 2) unemployment inched up to 4.4% (from 4.3%) with fewer people in the labor force finding jobs; while 3) the trade deficit narrowed more than expected in August as firms pared back imports in response to elevated tariffs. US manufacturing also slowed to a four-month low in November (51.9 from 52.5 in October) as higher prices because of import tariffs restrained demand, leading to a piling up of unsold goods.

- Local: The Philippines posted its largest balance of payments (BOP) surplus in eight months at USD706mn in October, supported by the seasonal lift in OFW remittances (+3.7% in September, +3.2% YTD) and sustained BPO inflows that partly offset import-related outflows. The October surplus helped trim the 10-month BOP deficit to USD4.6bn. In other news, over USD1bn worth of agricultural exports have been granted exemption from the 19% US reciprocal tariff, with other goods also being sought for exemption. The DBCC may also scale back its 2026 GDP growth target to 5-6% (from 6-7%) amid a sharp pullback in government spending linked to the widening flood-control corruption probe, according to Executive Secretary Ralph Recto.
- Global: US Treasury yields slid w-w (see Fig. 1) as the unemployment uptick fueled hopes of the Fed resuming monetary easing. Markets are now pricing in a 73% chance of a December rate cut, up from 39% the day before the data was released.
- Local: Domestic yields also moved lower last week (Fig. 2) after BSP Governor Eli Remolona hinted at a possible rate reduction in December, citing the weaker-than-expected third-quarter GDP print, though a large cut is unlikely at this point.
- Global: Global stock markets retreated w-w as concerns on lofty valuations in AI-related companies prompted profit taking activities in the US and triggered a broader sell-off across Asia and Europe. However, rate cut expectations bolstered sentiment after New York Federal Reserve President John Williams indicated the central bank may lower interest rates again this year.
- Local: The PSEi rebounded last week, closing at 5,997.13 last Friday (+1.1% d-d, +7.4% w-w), effectively wiping out three weeks of losses amid improved macro data and rising confidence that the Marcos administration will move decisively on the corruption scandal following the issuance of arrest warrants. Top gainers during the week include: 1) CNVRG (+18.7% w-w) as the IRR for the Konektadong Pinoy Act took effect on November 20, lifting sentiment toward its broadband segment; 2) SMPH (+18.2% w-w), BPI (+14.1% w-w) and ALI (+11.7% w-w) after falling to their 52-week lows the week prior; and 3) PLUS (+11.1% w-w) following reports of plans to acquire a physical casino locally. Net foreign buying also jumped to PHP3.1bn (from PHP273mn previously).
- The index is now up 1.1% MTD but remains down 8.1% YTD as investors monitor political developments, rate cut possibilities and economic recovery prospects. We expect the market to remain volatile amid macro uncertainties, and we continue to recommend a defensive stance, favoring consumer essentials (URC, MONDE, CNPF), power and utilities (AP, MER, MWC) and telcos (TEL, GLO, CNVRG), which generate steady cash flows because of resilient consumption demand. REITs with decent yields (RCR, MREIT, CREIT) can also help cushion portfolios from market swings, in our view, given their lease-driven business models which offer stability and predictability of returns.
 - MER Chairman and CEO Manuel V. Pangilinan said the planned backdoor listing for MGen Renewable Energy Inc. (MGreen) via SP New Energy Corp. (SPNEC) may have to wait until 2027, as the company intends to consolidate energy assets and finish its flagship project first to strengthen business viability. Mr. Pangilinan said SPNEC's biggest project, the PHP200bn Terra Solar, would start energization in 2H26.
 - AEV unit Aboitiz Infracapital, Inc. (AIC) said it has finished key upgrades at Bohol-Panglao (BPIA) and Laguindingan (LIA)
 International Airports, including repairs to facilitate passenger access, assessments of uninterruptible power supply, and servicing
 of baggage carousels. AIC has been managing both airports since mid-2025 under a 30-year concession agreement with the
 government, with plans to increase BPIA's annual capacity by 25% in two years and reach 3.9mn passengers by 2030. For LIA,
 AIC announced last year that it would partner with Ireland-based daa International to implement upgrades and manage operations.

Government Securities										
Date	Security	Tenor	Amount							
Nov 24	T-Bills	3M 6M 12M	PHP7bn PHP7.5bn PHP7.5bn							

The Week Ahead

Date		Event	Period	Estimate	Prior
Nov 25	1000	Retail Sales m-m	Sep		0.6%
Nov 26		MBA Mortgage Applications	Nov 21		-5.2%
Nov 26	1000	Initial Jobless Claims	Nov 22		220k
Nov 26		Budget Balance	Oct		-PHP248bn
Nov 28		Trade Balance	Oct	-USD4.80bn	-USD4.35bn

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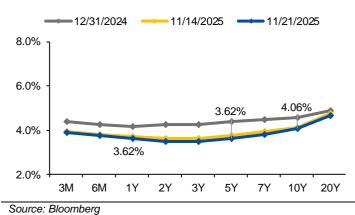
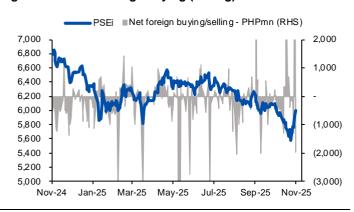


Fig. 3: PSEi & net foreign buying (selling) trends



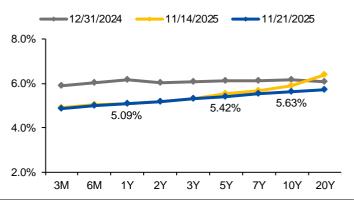
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Fig. 5: Equity indices movements

		Last price	w-w	MTD	YTD
Philippines	PCOMP Index	5,997.13	7.4%	1.1%	-8.1%
US (S&P 500)	SPXIndex	6,602.99	-1.9%	-3.2%	12.3%
US (Nasdaq)	NDXIndex	24,239.57	-3.1%	-5.8%	15.4%
China (CSI 300)	SHSZ300 Inde	4,453.61	-3.8%	-5.4%	13.2%
China (Hang Seng)	HSIIndex	25,220.02	-5.1%	-4.0%	25.7%
Japan	NKYIndex	48,625.88	-3.5%	-5.3%	21.9%
Europe	SX5EIndex	5,515.09	-3.1%	-3.2%	12.6%
UK	UKXIndex	9,539.71	-1.6%	-2.3%	16.7%
MSCI World	MXWOIndex	4,242.67	-2.3%	-3.2%	14.4%
MSCI EM	MXEF Index	1,333.96	-3.7%	-5.5%	24.0%

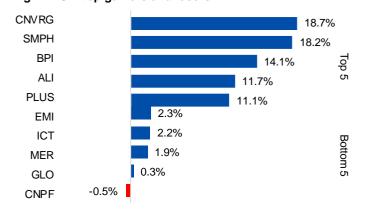
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Fig. 2: PH government securities (GS) yield curve



Source: Bloomberg

Fig. 4: PSEi top gainers and losers w-w



Source: Bloomberg

Fig. 6: Currency and commodity trends

Currencies		Last price	w-w	MTD	YTD
USD/PHP		58.86	0.4%	0.0%	-1.7%
EUR/USD		1.15	0.9%	0.4%	-11.2%
USD/JPY		156.41	-1.2%	-1.5%	0.5%
Commodities		Last price	w-w	MTD	YTD
Dubai crude	USD/bbl	62.34	-3.0%	-2.5%	-17.0%
Natural gas	USD/MMBtu	4.58	0.3%	15.8%	26.1%
Coal	USD/mt	110.90	0.3%	6.5%	-11.5%
Gold	USD/t oz	4,065.14	-0.5%	1.0%	54.9%
Copper	USD/mt	10,778.56	-0.7%	-1.1%	24.6%
Nickel	USD/mt	14,270.19	-2.9%	-5.0%	-5.6%

Source: Bloomberg

Fig. 7: Macroeconomic forecasts

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Indicator	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025F	2026F
PH GDP grow th (y-y %)	5.70	7.60	5.60	5.60	5.20	5.20
PH inflation (y-y %)	3.90	5.81	6.00	3.20	2.00	3.00
BSP policy rate (%)	2.00	5.50	6.50	5.75	4.50	4.00
Fed funds rate (%)	0.00-0.25	4.25-4.50	5.25-5.50	4.25-4.50	3.50-3.75	3.00-3.25
USD/PHP	51.00	55.76	55.37	57.85	57.50-58.50	-
PH Current Account (as % of GDP)	-1.80	-4.50	-2.60	-3.80	-4.20	-4.40
PH Fiscal Balance (as % of GDP)	-8.60	-7.33	-6.23	-5.70	-5.60	-5.60

Source: BDO House forecasts

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Stock Coverage

			Mkt Cap	Last Price	Target	Upside/	EPS G	rowth	P/E	(x)	FV/FF	RITDA	P/B (x)	ROE I	Div Yield
Company	Ticker	Rating		21-Nov-2025	Price	Downside		FY26F					FY25F		FY25F
Banking		, i													
BDO Unibank	BDO	Not Rated	11,925	131.50											
Bank of the Philippine Islands	BPI	Buy	10,151	113.00	155.00	37.2%	8.3%	7.9%	8.9	8.2	NA	NA	1.3	14.8%	4.2%
Metropolitan Bank & Trust Company	MBT	Buy	5,169	67.60	81.00	19.8%	5.4%	6.2%	6.0	5.6	NA	NA	0.7	12.6%	7.4%
Security Bank Corporation	SECB	Buy	880	68.70	100.00	45.6%	8.3%	9.5%	4.3	3.9	NA	NA	0.3	8.3%	4.4%
Conglomerates															
Aboitiz Equity Ventures	AEV	Buy	2,388	25.30	46.00	81.8%	-16.2%	8.3%	6.6	6.1	5.6	5.2	0.5	9.9%	6.1%
Alliance Global Group, Inc.	AGI	Buy	1,028	6.86	10.60	54.5%	4.5%	12.7%	3.3	3.0	4.3	3.6	0.1	7.2%	1.5%
Ayala Corporation	AC	Buy	4,617	438.00	722.00	64.8%	0.4%	7.8%	6.3	5.8	6.6	6.7	0.6	9.9%	2.1%
DMCI Holdings, Inc.	DMC	Neutral	2,307	10.22	10.80		-18.8%	3.0%	8.9	8.6	4.7	4.3	0.9	14.6%	9.8%
GT Capital Holdings, Inc.	GTCAP	Buy	1,998	546.00	785.00	43.8%	20.5%	9.7%	3.5	3.2	3.1	2.6	0.4	15.9%	1.5%
JG Summit Holdings, Inc.	JGS	Buy	2,787	21.80	30.70	40.8%	17.8%	20.0%	8.2	6.8	5.6	4.4	0.3	8.1%	1.9%
LT Group, Inc.	LTG	Neutral	2,782	15.12	14.70	-2.8%	22.4%	4.5%	5.7	5.4	-	-	0.5	10.7%	7.8%
San Miguel Corporation	SMC	Neutral	3,040	75.00	76.00	1.3%	NM	11.6%	11.7	10.5	6.0	6.2	0.2	12.4%	1.9%
SM Investments Corporation	SM	Buy	15,139	728.00	1,030.00	41.5%	6.5%	8.6%	10.1	9.3	6.8	6.3	1.3	13.3%	1.8%
Consumer															
Century Pacific Food	CNPF	Buy	2,337	38.80	45.00	16.0%	12.8%	18.1%	19.2	16.3	12.6	10.9	3.5	18.3%	2.8%
D&L Industries	DNL	Buy	461	3.80	6.70	76.3%	13.0%	24.0%	10.3	8.3	8.7	7.7	1.2	11.5%	5.6%
Emperador Inc.	EMI	Neutral	4,120	15.40	16.30	5.8%	10.1%	17.4%	34.8	29.7	20.9	18.5	2.4	7.0%	1.6%
Jollibee Foods Corp	JFC	Buy	3,807	199.80	285.00	42.6%	10.3%	11.8%	21.0	18.8	6.8	6.0	2.2	11.2%	1.7%
Monde Nissin Corporation	MONDE	Buy	1,870	6.12	9.50	55.2%	-0.4%	13.9%	11.3	9.9	6.7	5.8	1.9	17.0%	4.2%
Puregold Price Club	PGOLD	Neutral	1,968	40.20	40.60	1.0%	9.2%	8.3%	10.5	9.7	4.5	3.2	1.1	10.8%	4.5%
Robinsons Retail Holdings, Inc.	RRHI	Buy	613	32.70	50.00	52.9%	-23.3%	17.2%	6.8	5.8	3.4	3.1	0.5	6.7%	6.1%
San Miguel Food and Beverage Inc.	FB	Buy	5,269	52.45	74.00	41.1%	15.4%	11.7%	10.4	9.3	4.2	3.7	2.5	23.5%	6.3%
Shakey's Pizza Asia Ventures	PIZZA	Buy	200	7.00	9.80	40.0%	3.4%	18.1%	9.6	8.1	6.1	5.2	1.2	14.1%	2.8%
Universal Robina Corporation	URC	Buy	2,435	67.00	105.00	56.7%	4.6%	4.0%	11.4	10.9	6.5	6.1	1.2	10.2%	6.3%
Wilcon Depot, Inc.	WLCON	•	490	7.03	8.80	25.2%	-4.6%	5.0%	12.1	11.5	4.4	4.0	1.2	9.9%	5.1%
Property															
Ayala Land	ALI	Buy	5,169	21.00	34.00	61.9%	5.1%	12.2%	10.4	9.3	8.0	7.3	1.0	9.8%	2.8%
Filinvest Land Inc.	FLI	Neutral	285	0.75	0.80	6.7%	5.1%	16.6%	4.2	3.6	7.4	6.7	0.2	5.1%	6.4%
Megaworld	MEG	Buy	1,095	1.98	2.60	31.3%	5.2%	7.8%	3.2	3.0	3.7	4.0	0.2	8.1%	4.1%
Robinsons Land	RLC	Buy	1,274	15.60	20.00	28.2%	11.7%	13.7%	5.4	4.7	4.6	4.1	0.5	10.1%	4.2%
SM Prime Holdings	SMPH	Buy	11,003	22.45	34.00	51.4%	8.5%	7.3%	13.1	12.2	11.8	11.3	1.4	11.1%	2.1%
Vista Land & Lifescapes	VLL	Buy	222	1.03	2.00	94.2%	1.3%	7.7%	1.7	1.6	8.2	7.5	0.1	7.0%	11.8%
REITS	VLL	Duy		1.00	2.00	54.270	1.070	7.770	1.7	1.0	0.2	7.5	0.1	7.070	11.070
AREIT, Inc.	AREIT	Neutral	2,710	42.90	46.00	7.2%	4.2%	2.6%	16.7	16.2	17.9	15.4	1.2	6.6%	5.6%
Citicore Energy REIT Corp.	CREIT	Neutral	395	3.55	3.90	9.9%	1.1%	4.5%	18.4	17.6	14.7	14.5	5.0	30.8%	5.7%
MREIT, Inc.	MREIT							1.9%		12.8				6.0%	7.2%
		Buy	881	13.92	17.00	22.1%	-2.1%		13.0		13.4	13.2	0.8		
RL Commercial REIT, Inc.	RCR	Buy	2,572	7.74	8.30	7.2%	-5.9%	11.6%	16.3	14.6	18.5	14.6	1.1	5.7%	5.6%
Power & Industrials	4.0	_	5.404	10.10	40.00	40.00/	4.4.70/	00.40/	40.0	7.0	7.5	0.0		40.00/	5 50/
Aboitiz Power Corporation	AP	Buy	5,194	42.40	48.00	13.2%	-11.7%	30.1%	10.3	7.9	7.5	6.3	1.4	13.8%	5.5%
ACEN Corporation	ACEN	Buy	1,621	2.40	2.90	20.8%	-23.1%	64.4%	25.8	15.7	55.8	24.1	0.7	2.5%	1.7%
First Gen Corporation	FGEN	Neutral	961	15.72	17.50	11.3%	11.4%	2.7%	3.6	3.5	2.8	2.6	0.3	9.1%	5.3%
Intl Container Terminal Services	ICT	Buy	19,050	555.00	610.00	9.9%	23.1%	14.1%	19.2	16.8	10.0	8.8	10.9	49.4%	2.6%
Manila Electric Company	MER	Buy	11,382	594.00	685.00	15.3%	10.0%	10.0%	13.5	12.3	9.3	9.1	4.0	29.9%	4.2%
Manila Water Company, Inc.	MWC	Buy	1,672	37.80	45.00	19.0%		6.1%	5.8	5.5	6.6	6.5	1.1	20.6%	4.9%
Megawide Construction Corp.	MWIDE	Buy	102	2.98	4.00	34.2%		187.3%	20.2	7.0	8.0	6.7	0.3	5.9%	-
Semirara Mining and Power Corporation	SCC	Neutral	2,045	28.30	32.00	13.1%	-34.5%	1.5%	9.4	9.2	5.0	4.8	2.2	22.8%	11.5%
Mining															
Nickel Asia Corporation	NIKL	Buy	881	3.72	4.20	12.9%	77.9%	40.2%	9.4	6.7	5.5	4.5	0.7	18.7%	4.8%
Telecom															
Converge ICT Solutions, Inc.	CNVRG	Buy	1,783	14.48	20.80	43.6%	11.7%	17.6%	9.0	7.7	4.7	4.2	1.7	20.4%	3.0%
Globe Telecom	GLO	Buy	3,932	1,601.00	2,180.00	36.2%	-10.7%	4.8%	12.0	11.5	5.2	4.7	1.3	12.7%	6.3%
PLDT Inc.	TEL	Buy	4,812	1,310.00	1,560.00	19.1%	-3.4%	7.5%	8.3	7.8	5.2	5.1	2.1	29.7%	7.3%
Tourism & Gaming															
Bloomberry Resorts Corporation	BLOOM	Neutral	549	2.81	3.20	13.9%	NM	NM	NM	26.7	8.6	6.5	0.5	-4.5%	3.0%
Cebu Air	CEB	Buy	319	30.65	40.00		173.4%	19.9%	3.8	3.2	1.4	1.1	1.0	84.9%	_
MacroAsia Corporation	MAC	Buy	145	4.51	6.00	33.0%	25.2%	12.5%	6.5	5.8	5.3	4.7	0.9	18.5%	2.4%
DigiPlus Interactive Corp.	PLUS	Neutral	2,074	27.05	30.00	10.9%	5.8%	48.3%	9.6	6.5	8.4	5.2	3.1	34.8%	3.2%
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