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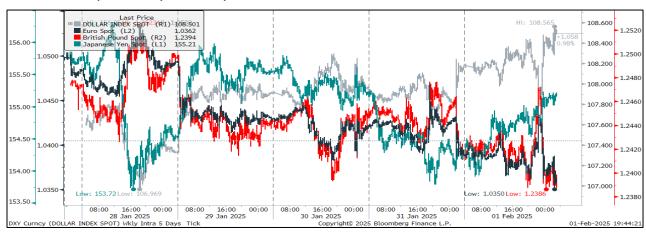
Market Summary & Outlook:

- In the week gone, the Dollar Index, which tracks the US Dollar against a basket of other major currencies, increased from 107.44 on January 24 to 108.37 on February 1, marking a 0.86% increase, its best week in eleven weeks
- The rise in the Dollar Index comes in the wake of significant trade policy developments under the Trump administration, which reintroduced tariffs on Mexico, Canada, and China, effective from February 1, 2025.
- In response to these tariffs, both Canada and Mexico have vowed to retaliate with tit-for-tat measures, indicating the beginning of a trade war that is expected to have profound implications for global supply chains.

Currency Performance						
Currency	01-Feb-25	24-Jan-25	% Change			
Dollar Index Spot	108.37	107.44	0.86%			
Euro Spot	1.0362	1.0497	-1.29%			
British Pound Spot	1.2395	1.2484	-0.71%			
Japanese Yen Spot	155.19	156.00	-0.52%			
Chinese Yuan Spot	7.322	7.244	1.07%			
USDINR	86.62	86.21	0.48%			
EURINR	89.96	90.47	-0.57%			
GBPINR	107.59	107.13	0.43%			

- China's Commerce Ministry pledged to file proceedings to the World Trade Organization in a Sunday statement, but stopped short of explicitly threatening counter-tariffs on US imports.
- This development is likely to have broader economic implications, with potential ripple effects across financial markets. Additionally, with the US Dollar strengthening, it may make American exports less competitive in global markets, creating a further layer of complexity for trade relations.
- The Euro fell to its lowest level since January 21, marking its longest losing streak in seven weeks, following disappointing inflation data from the region's two largest economies, Germany and France. This drop in the Euro is reflective of ongoing concerns about the economic health of the Eurozone, with inflation continuing to pose challenges for the European Central Bank. The inflation data has led to growing speculation that the European Central Bank may reconsider its stance on monetary policy. According to sources familiar with the Governing Council's discussions, the ECB could stop describing its monetary policy as "restrictive" in its upcoming decision in March 2025. This potential shift suggests that the ECB may ease its current hawkish approach to managing inflation, particularly if economic growth continues to slow and inflationary pressures begin to abate.

Dollar Index, EURUSD, GBPUSD, USDJPY



Currency Performance and Level to Watch:

Currency	Weekly High	Weekly Low	Weekly Close	Weekly % Chg.	MTD % Chg.	QTD % Chg.	YTD % Chg.
Dollar Index	108.57	106.97	108.37	0.86%	0.00%	-0.11%	-0.12%
EURUSD Spot	1.0533	1.0350	1.0362	-1.29%	0.00%	0.08%	0.00%
EURINR Spot	90.66	89.80	89.96	1.30%	0.00%	-0.84%	0.76%
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Currency	Pivot	Supt.3	Supt.2	Supt.1	Resi.1	Resi.2	Resi.3
Dollar Index	107.97	104.78	106.37	107.37	108.97	109.56	111.16
EURUSD	1.0415	1.0049	1.0232	1.0297	1.048	1.0598	1.0781
EURINR	90.14	88.42	89.28	89.62	90.48	91.00	91.87

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Technical Outlooks:

Dollar Index View:

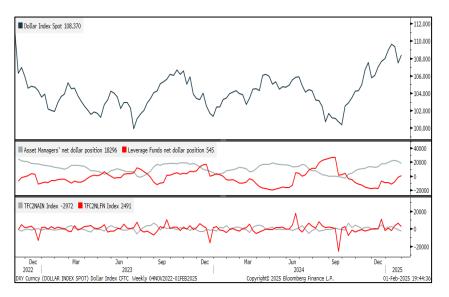
- The dollar index took the support at 55 DEMA in the week gone.
- On the weekly chart, it holds the bullish formation of higher highs and lows.
- Oscillators on the daily chart remained positive for the bulls.
- It has support at 106.80 and continuing to face resistance at 110.17

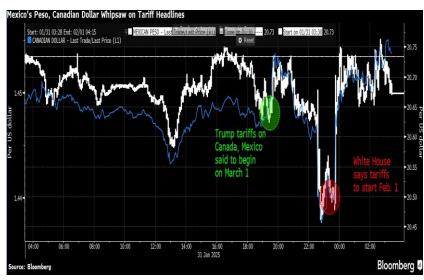
Spot EURINR: *Profit Booking*Support 89.40, Resistance 90.90

Speculators keep their bets on dollar gains, now hold \$33.7bn

Mexican Peso and Canadian Dollar Whipsaw on Tariff Headlines







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		Economic Calend	ar		
Date	Country	Event	Period	Survey	Prior
	Japan	Jibun Bank Japan PMI Mfg	Jan F		48.8
	China	Caixin China PMI Mfg	Jan	50.6	50.5
	India	HSBC India PMI Mfg	Jan F		58
	EC	HCOB Eurozone Manufacturing PMI	Jan F	46.1	46.1
03-Feb	UK	S&P Global UK Manufacturing PMI	Jan F		48.2
	EC	CPI Core YoY	Jan P	2.60%	2.70%
	US	S&P Global US Manufacturing PMI	Jan F	50.1	50.1
	US	Construction Spending MoM	Dec	0.20%	0.00%
	US	ISM Manufacturing	Jan	49.3	49.2
	US	IOLTS Joh Openings	Dec		8098k
04-Feb	US	JOLTS Job Openings		0.50%	
04-reb	US	Factory Orders Durable Goods Orders	Dec P	0.50%	-0.40% -2.20%
	03	Durable Goods Orders	Decr		-2.20%
	Japan	Jibun Bank Japan PMI Services	Jan F		52.7
	China	Caixin China PMI Services	Jan	52.4	52.2
	India	HSBC India PMI Services	Jan F	52.4	56.8
	EC	HCOB Eurozone Services PMI	Jan F	51.4	51.4
	UK	S&P Global UK Services PMI	Jan F	51.2	51.2
	EC	PPI YoY	Dec	0.20%	-1.20%
05-Feb	US	MBA Mortgage Applications	Jan-31	0.20%	-2.00%
	US	ADP Employment Change	Jan	153k	122k
	US	Trade Balance	Dec	-\$80.4b	-\$78.2b
	US	S&P Global US Services PMI	Jan F		52.8
	US	ISM Services Index	Jan	54.5	54
	UK	S&P Global UK Construction PMI	Jan		53.3
	EC	Retail Sales YoY	Dec	2.00%	1.20%
	UK	Bank of England Bank Rate	Feb-06	4.50%	4.75%
06-Feb	US	Challenger Job Cuts YoY	Jan		11.40%
	US	Nonfarm Productivity	4Q P	1.90%	2.20%
	US	Initial Jobless Claims	Feb-01		207k
	US	Continuing Claims	Jan-25		1858k
	India	RBI Repurchase Rate	Feb-07	6.25%	6.50%
	India	RBI Cash Reserve Ratio	Feb-07	4.00%	4.00%
	Japan	Leading Index CI	Dec P	108.2	107.5
07-Feb	India	Foreign Exchange Reserves	Jan-31		
u/-reb	US	Change in Nonfarm Payrolls	Jan	150k	256k
	US	Unemployment Rate	Jan	4.10%	4.10%
	US	U. of Mich. Sentiment	Feb P		71.1
	US	Wholesale Inventories MoM	Dec F		-0.50%

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