

## Daiwa's View

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The US market has been affected by expectations for an early agreement on an additional pandemic relief bill. Currently, the market is in a crucial stage, in which fiscal support influences not only economic projections but also corporate credit via debt dynamics. Therefore, it is no wonder that developments with the bill are serving as a major catalyst. The movements of the US 10-year yield over the past two days are  $0.645\% \rightarrow 0.715\% \rightarrow 0.675\%$ . The yield reached its intraday high at the same time as the DJIA hit its highest level of 28,000 at one point.

While checking prices over the past two days, we have again recognized the robustness of US yields. For 2H 2020, we expect the 10-year US yield to range from 0.50% to 0.80% (core range 0.60-0.75%). When forecasting the range, we focused on the components of the 10-year yield of "the 5-year yield" and "the 5-year forward 5-year yield." In addition, we put importance on the two points of (1) stabilization of the 5-year yield under the new forward guidance and (2) constraint in the 5-year forward 5-year yield, caused by Fed Chair Jerome Powell's remark that "we will keep policy accommodative until we actually have a moderate overshoot of inflation for some time."

From this perspective, we confirm yesterday's prices. When the 10-year yield hit its intraday high (0.715%), the 5-year yield and the 5-year forward 5-year yield stood at around 0.30% (+3bp d/d) and 1.13% (+5bp), respectively, both of which were largely within appropriate ranges. Under the assumption that the 5-year yield will be stable, an upside breakout of the 10-year yield necessitates a rise in the 5-year forward 5-year yield to 1.3% and higher. The hurdle is high. Practically, an upside breakout would require (1) the appearance of a rate-hike projection at an early stage, (2) revision to Mr. Powell's remarks, and (3) expansion of fiscal premium.

#### **Yield Simulation**

(%)	5Y	5Y5Y	10Y
Current level	0.27	1.09	0.68
Intraday high (1 Oct)	0.30	<u>1.13</u>	0.72
Necessary level for 10Y yield of 0.8%	0.30	<u>1.30</u>	<u>0.80</u>

#### **US 5Y-forward 5Y Yield**

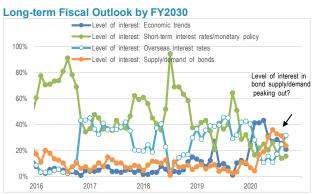


Source: Bloomberg; compiled by Daiwa Securities.



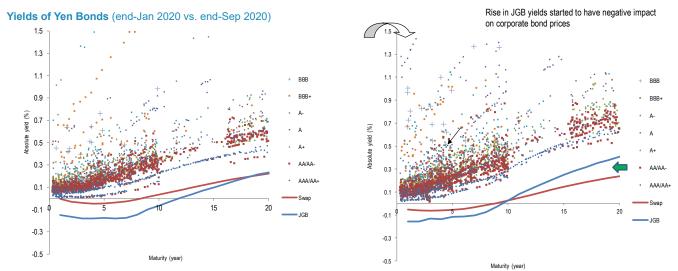
"Level of interest" in concerns about issuance of additional gov't bonds peaking out? Of course, these partially depend on fiscal premium and the issuance of additional Treasuries. However, the level of interest in the theme of additional Treasury issuance may have weakened compared to that in the initial stage of the COVID-19 pandemic. This is probably caused by weakening consciousness of a "national (public) crisis." Currently, discussions are tangled between the Republican Party and the Democratic Party due to a failure in working out differences of just around a \$0.5tn gap. This fact is one symbol of such weaker consciousness. Given the fact that they quickly reached a bipartisan agreement on a very large amount of fiscal spending in the middle of this year, we think that the difference in consciousness between now and then is visible.

This change is likely a common phenomenon across developed nations in varying degrees. Therefore, concerns about the issuance of additional JGBs in line with additional economic measures may be peaking out. The *QUICK Monthly Market Survey <Bonds>* conducted in late September showed a decline in "the level of interest" in supply/demand of bonds, which had grown since the beginning of FY20. Of course, the level is still high. However, it is highly likely that the level of concern about the issuance of additional JGBs, which is becoming a hot issue mainly for 40-year JGBs, will not heighten to the same degree as at the time of the second supplementary budget.



Source: QUICK Monthly Market Survey <Bonds>; compiled by Daiwa Securities.

In addition, the sharpest rise in JGB yields for the year has made JGBs attractive vs. other assets. For example, more corporate bond market participants are pointing out that sales of 10-year bonds have been sluggish. One factor behind this is the outflow of funds to the JGB market in line with higher yields. Intuitively, few people would probably think that 10-year corporate bonds at the 0.2% level are attractive when 20-year JGBs are yielding 0.4% (charts below). Of course, this case is just the tip of the iceberg, and inflow of funds from various assets are supposed in a practical sense. Increased premium on the issuance of additional JGBs may be ready for harvest.



Source: Reference Statistical Prices [Yields] for OTC Bond Transactions; compiled by Daiwa Securities.



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