

Risk aversion plus caution ahead of Fed weigh on Asia FX
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Most emerging Asian currencies extended losses today as the intensifying conflict in Iraq and a gas dispute in Ukraine hurt risk appetites, while investors were cautious ahead of the US Federal Reserve's policy meeting starting later in the day.

The Indonesian rupiah led regional slides on dollar demand linked to dividend payments to foreign investors.

India's rupee recovered some of its earlier losses as the central bank was spotted intervening to stem the currency's weakness.

Early Tuesday, it fell to a seven-week low as the risk of higher oil prices from the fighting in Iraq continued to generate concerns over inflation in India, an oil importer.

The Thai baht eased as foreign and local investors covered short positions in the dollar.

The Singapore dollar came under pressure from disappointing May export data. The city-state's unit pared some of its slide as it secured a chart support around 1.2530 against the US dollar. – Reuters, June 17, 2014.

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