Weekly Report 20 Aug 2018

Gold prices broke beneath the major benchmark at USD1200 /oz and hit USD1160 /oz before market rebound before weekend. Technically, we forecast the market will conduct range trading in the aforementioned region while strong resistance will emerge at USD1200 – USD1210 /oz in case of recovery. Flight of market liquidity might return to stock market in coming weeks as demand in commodity becomes stagnant.

WTI Crude prices traded in little interest as the prices edged lower. In overall, range trading is still contained from USD64 – USD68 /barrel without clear directional trend. Dollar Index (USDX) is showing strong demand after it reached 96.86 at 13-month high last week. Traders will be watching for Dollar catalyst and OPEC news to gauge the next potential trend in Crude prices. Meanwhile, risk control is advised if the price movement shoots out beyond the aforementioned range.

SET Index closed at 1690 after making a rebound from 1663 last week. Thai Baht is rattling from 33.10 – 33.30 region in effort to recover against strong Dollar. Technically, we foresee the SET Index will be making sideways trend for consolidation and contain from 1670 – 1710 range. No clear trend is expected until we see the movement breaks beyond the consolidating range.

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