



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **MONETARY POLICY STATEMENT AUGUST 2025 BCRP MAINTAINED THE REFERENCE RATE AT 4.50%**

1. The Board of Directors of the Central Reserve Bank of Peru (BCRP) agreed to keep the reference rate steady at 4.50 percent. Future reference rate adjustments will be conditional on new information about inflation and its determinants.
2. The decision to maintain the reference rate considered the following information and projections:
  - i. In July, the monthly headline inflation rate was 0.23 percent, while the core inflation was 0.18 percent. The year-on-year inflation and the core inflation remained at 1.7 percent in July.
  - ii. One-year-ahead inflation expectations declined from at 2.3 percent in June to 2.2 percent in July, within the inflation target range.
  - iii. Year-on-year inflation is expected to remain in the coming months within the lower band of the target range to then settle around the center of that range. Likewise, core inflation is expected to remain around 2 percent in the projection horizon.
  - iv. In July, most current situation and economic activity expectations indicators recovered relative to the previous month. Almost all remained in the optimistic territory, in a context where economic activity is around its potential level.
  - v. The outlook for global economic activity has deteriorated due the restrictive measures on international trade, with a downward bias given the high uncertainty about its effects on the global economy. In this context, financial market volatility is still prevailing.
3. The Board is particularly attentive to new information on inflation and its determinants, including the evolution of core inflation, inflation expectations, and economic activity, to consider, if necessary, changes in the monetary stance. The Board reaffirms its commitment to adopt the necessary actions to maintain inflation within the target range.
4. The Board also decided on the following interest rates on its window facility operations in domestic currency with financial entities:
  - i. Overnight deposits: 2.50 percent per year.
  - ii. Direct security/currency repo and rediscount operations: i) 5.00 percent per year for the first 10 operations in the last 3 months and ii) the interest rate set by the Monetary and Exchange Operations Committee for operations in addition to these 10 operations in the last 3 months. In addition, the Monetary and Exchange Operations Committee may establish higher rates based on the amount of the operations.
5. The BCRP Board's next monetary policy session will take place on September 11, 2025.

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