

## **EXCHANGE RATE**: THE PRICE OF ONE CURRENCY IN TERMS OF ANOTHER CURRENCY

NOMINAL FOREIGN EXCHANGE, BILATERAL EXCHANGE RATE

- TRADE WEIGHTED EXCHANGE RATE
- REAL EFFECTIVE EXCHANGE RATE



# TRADE WEIGHTED EXCHANGE RATE

# REAL WEIGHTED EXCHANGE RATE

- THE PRICE OF ONE CURRENCY AGAINST A BASKET OF CURRENCIES
- TO MEASURE GENERAL CHANGE IN COUNTRY'S FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATE

- A CURRENCY'S VALUE IN TERMS OF ITS REAL PURCHASING POWER
- TO ASSESS CHANGES IN COMPETITIVENESS
   OF A COUNTRY'S PRODUCTS IN GLOBAL
   MARKET

The real exchange =  $\frac{\text{nominal exchange rate} \times \text{domestic price index}}{\text{foreign exchange rate}}$ 

#### FLOATING EXCHANGE RATE

DETERMINED BY THE MARKET FORCES OF DEMAND AND SUPPLY - APPRECIATION, DEPRECIATION

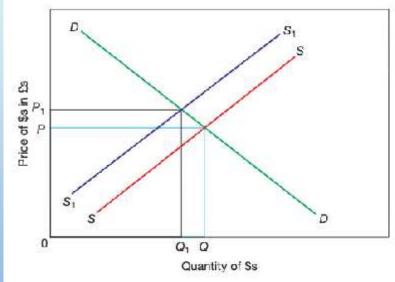
- BUY GOODS AND SERVICES FROM THE COUNTRY
- INVEST IN COUNTRY
- MAKE POFIT THROUGH EXCHANGE RATE CHANGE

ADV: -RESTORE BALANCE ON CURRENT ACCOUNT

-GOVERNMENT CAN CONCENTRATE ON OTHER THINGS

**DISADV: -FLUCTUATE SIGNIFICANTLY** 

-GOVERNMENT RELY ON FALL IN RATE



**Figure 4.13** The effect on the value of the US dollar of Americans buying fewer UK products

#### FIXED EXCHANGE RATE SYSTEM

SET BY GOVERNMENT AND MAINTAINED BY THE CENTRAL BANK - REVALUATION, DEVALUATION

INCREASE IN RATE – ATTRACTS HOT MONEY FLOWS (TO TAKE ADV OF CHANGES IN RATES)

**ADV: - AVOIDS FLUCTUATIONS** 

-KEEP INFLATION LOW

DISADV: -SACRIFICE OTHER GOVERNMENT AIMS

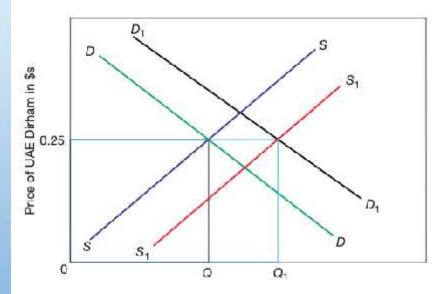
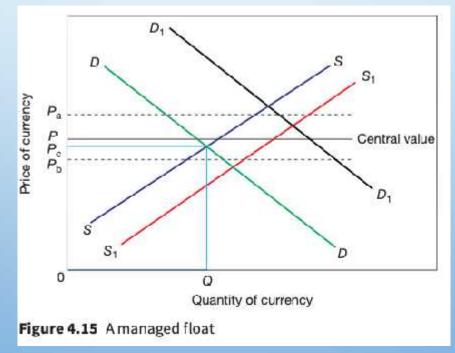


Figure 4.14 Maintaining the value of the UAE dirham

### MANAGED FLOAT

#### INFLUENCED BY STATE INTERVENTION – COMBINES FLOATING AND FIXED EXCHANGE RATES FEATURE

• HAS UPPER, LOWER LIMITS



# THE FACTORS INFLUENCING CHANGES IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

- CHANGE IN DEMAND AND SUPPLY
- 2. INTEREST RATE
- 3. IMPORT, EXPORT VALUE
- 4. TOURISM
- 5. GOVERNMENT DECISION

#### MARSHALL-LERNER CONDITION

- REQUIREMENT FOR A FALL IN EXCHANGE RATE TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN REDUCING CURRENT ACCOUNT DEFICIT
- SUM OF THE PED FOR EXPORTS AND IMPORTS
  MUST BE GREATER THAN 1

### An illustration of the Marshall-Lerner condition

Initially £1 = US\$1.5

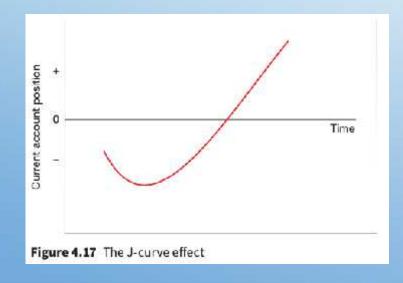
- 40 products, which would sell at £10 each in the home market, sell for \$15 in the US. Export revenue = £400 (\$600).
- \$30, are purchased in the UK at £20 each. Import expenditure = £1,000 (\$1,500).
- Deficit = £400 £1,000 = £600.

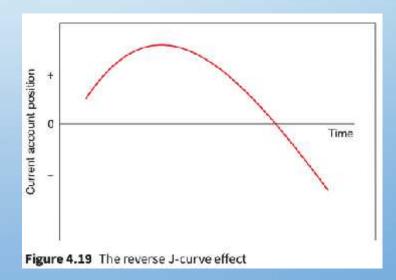
Then the pound sterling falls in value to £1 = \$1.

- PED for exports = 0. Price in US falls to \$10 each. Total export revenue is now 40 x \$10 = \$400 which is now converted into £400, leaving export revenue in pounds sterling unchanged.
- PED for imports = -1.2. Price of the \$30 product will rise to £30, a 50% increase. Demand falls by 60% to 20. Total import expenditure now equals £600.
- The deficit is now £400 £600 = £200. It has fallen by £400.

### J-CURVE EFFECT

- FALL IN EXCHANGE RATE CAUSING AN INCREASE IN A CURRENT ACCOUNT DEFICIT BEFORE IT REDUCES IT DUE TO THE TIME IT TAKES FOR DEMAND TO RESPOND
- TAKES TIME TO RECOGNISE THE PRICE CHANGES

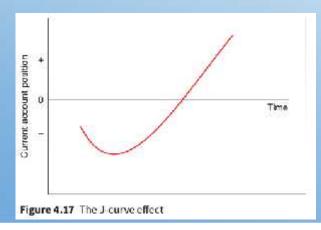


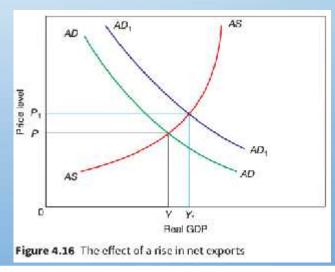


#### EFFECT ON DOMESTIC & EXTERNAL ECONOMY

#### DEPRECIATION/ DEVALUATION

- EXPORT CHEAPER/IMPORT EXPENSIVE
- INCREASE AD, LOWER UNEMPLOYMENT, GROWTH IN ECONOMY
- RISE IN INFLATION-WORKS IN FULL CAPACITY, RISE INIMPORTED RAW MATERIAL
- REDUCE CURRENT ACCOUNT DEFICIT- PED>1

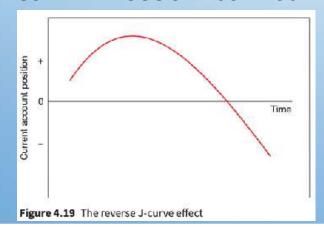


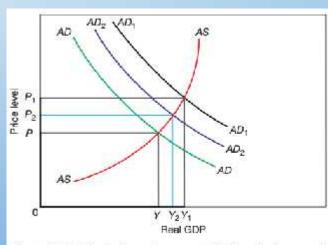


### EFFECT ON DOMESTIC & EXTERNAL ECONOMY

#### APPRECIATION/ REVALUATION

- MAKE EXPORT EXPENSIVE/IMPORT CHEAPER
- LOWER AD, RISE IN UNEMPLOYMENT, SLOWDOWN ECONOMY
- REDUCTION IN INFLATION
- REDUCE CURRENT ACCOUNT SURPLUS-





**Figure 4.18** A rise in the exchange rate limiting the increase in aggregate demand.