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The Daily Digest

Foreign G-Sec Bond Yield		
G-sec	Yield (in %)	1D Change (bps)
US 10Y*	4.31	-3
US 2Y*	3.76	-1
Germany 10Y	2.75	-1
UK 10Y	4.74	0
Japan 10Y	1.58	1

Source: Bloomberg, *semi-annual

G-sec yield		
G- Sec	Yield (in %)	1D Change (bps)
6.75% GS 2029*	6.24	0
6.33% GS 2035* (10Y)	6.51	2
6.68% GS 2040*	6.89	2
1-Month T-bill	5.41	-7
3-Month T-bill	5.47	3
6-Month T-bill	5.54	1
12-Month T-bill	5.56	1

Source: CCLIL, Bloomberg, *semi-annual

Spreads in bps for Corporates				
Annualized Spreads	3-year	5-year	7-year	10-year
AAA	82	85	78	75
AA	182	187	176	167
A	375	374	369	368

Source: FIMMDA, as on 18 Aug, 2025

Key rates	
Policy	Rate (in %)
Repo rate	5.50
Standing Deposit Facility Rate	5.25
Bank rate	5.75
1-year median MCLR of SCBs	8.75
SOFR	4.34

Source: RBI, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Money Market instruments		
Instrument	Volume (in Rs. Bn)	Weighted Avg Rate (%)
Call Money	167.4	5.43
Triparty Repo	4,172.8	5.34
Market Repo	1,947.8	5.05
Repo in corporate bond	29.7	5.55

Source: RBI, as of 19 August, 2025

Major Equity Indices		
Indices	Last	1D Change (%)
BSE SENSEX	81,644	0.5
NIFTY	24,981	0.4
NASDAQ	21,315	-1.5
S&P 500	6,411	-0.6
Nikkei 225	43,546	-0.4
Euro Stoxx 50	5,483	0.9

Source: Google Finance

Commodities futures		
Commodities	Last	1D Change (%)
Brent Crude (USD/bbl)	65.9	-0.5
Natural gas Nymex (USD/MMBtu)	2.8	-4.2
Gold Comex (USD/t oz.)	3,356.4	-0.6
Copper Comex (USD/lb)	449.6	-0.9
Wheat cbot (USD/bu.)	521.0	-0.4

Source: Bloomberg

Exchange Rates		
Currency pair	Rate	1D Change (%)
USD/ INR	86.96	-0.5
GBP/ INR	117.29	-0.5
EUR/ INR	101.17	-0.5
EUR/USD	1.16	-0.2
DEX Index	98.40	0.2

Source: Morningstar, Bloomberg, Marketwatch

Key events

India: T-Bill Auction; **Japan:** Trade Balance Jul'25; **UK:** CPI Jul'25; **Eurozone:** CPI Jul'25

Domestic

China to address fertilisers and rare earth needs (Source: The Hindu Businessline): As per media sources, China has promised to address rare earths, fertilisers and tunnel boring machines concerns. The assurance on rare earths is significant and comes at a time when US signed deal with China to meet its industrial requirements.

Russian crude imports may decline in Sep'25 (Source: BS): India's Russian crude imports remained steady till 18th Aug'25 despite US tariff announcement as most cargos were contracted in Jun'25, but Sep'25 delivery volumes are projected to decline by 45% m/m in Aug'25 compared with Jul'25 volumes.

Union expands thermal capacity addition target (Source: The Hindu Businessline): Union has revised upwards its target of coal fired power capacity addition to 97 GW by FY35 from earlier target of 90 GW by FY32. It expects total requirement of thermal power of 307 GW by FY35, also it estimates retiral of 2GW of capacity by FY32.

US accuses India of profiteering from Russian oil (Source: CNBC): Mr. Bessent, US Treasury Secretary accused India of profiteering from cheap Russian oil imports during the war in Ukraine, condemning it as unacceptable.

Union Cabinet approves key projects (Source: PIB):

- Cabinet has approved construction of 6-Lane Access-Controlled Capital Region Ring Road in Odisha on HAM at capital cost of Rs.83 bn
- It approved development of Green Field Airport at Kota-Bundi (Rajasthan) at an estimated cost of Rs.15 bn

International

China leaves loan prime rate steady (Source: Reuters): PBoC kept benchmark lending rates unchanged for the third consecutive month at 3% for 1Y and 3.5% for 5Y, meeting market expectations. Authorities also signalled they are in no rush to deliver monetary stimulus despite a string of recent disappointing economic data.

POTUS expands 50% steel and aluminium tariffs (Source: CNBC): US administration announced that 50% duties are now in effect on more than 400 additional product categories that contain aluminium or steel. The new product categories include everyday items such as car parts, plastics and specialty chemicals.

US administration considers 10% stake in Intel (Source: Bloomberg): As per media sources, US is considering taking a stake of ~10% in Intel Corp. by converting some or all of the company's grants from the US Chips and Science Act into equity. Intel has been slated to receive a combined USD 10.9 bn in Chips Act grants for production.

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