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Foreign G-Sec Bond Yield		
G-sec	**Yield (in %)**	**1D Change (bps)**
US 10Y*	4.14	-1
US 2Y*	3.47	-3
Germany 10Y	2.86	2
UK 10Y	4.47	-5
Japan 10Y	1.97	1

*Source: Bloomberg, *semi-annual*

G-sec yield		
G- Sec	**Yield (in %)**	**1D Change (bps)**
6.01% GS 2030*	6.32	0
6.48% GS 2035* (10Y)	6.60	3
6.68% GS 2040*	7.00	1
1-Month T-bill	5.23	0
3-Month T-bill	5.27	-3
6-Month T-bill	5.49	4
12-Month T-bill	5.49	0

*Source: CCIL, Bloomberg, *semi-annual*

Spreads in bps for Corporates				
Annualized Spreads	**3-year**	**5-year**	**7-year**	**10-year**
AAA	135	80	37	76
AA	231	180	134	169
A	416	372	328	364

Source: FIMMDA, as on 16 Dec, 2025

Key rates	
Policy	**Rate (in %)**
Repo rate	5.25
Standing Deposit Facility Rate	5.00
Bank rate	5.50
1-year median MCLR of SCBs	8.50
SOFR	3.69

Source: RBI, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Major Equity Indices		
Indices	**Last**	**1D Change (%)**
BSE SENSEX	84,560	-0.1
NIFTY	25,819	-0.2
NASDAQ	22,693	-1.8
S&P 500	6,721	-1.2
Nikkei 225	49,512	0.3
Euro Stoxx 50	5,682	-0.6

Source: Google Finance, Investing.com

Commodities Futures		
Commodities	**Last**	**1D Change (%)**
Brent Crude (USD/bbl)	60.1	1.2
Natural gas Nymex (USD/MMBtu)	4.1	3.8
Gold Comex (USD/t oz.)	4,364.3	0.2
Copper Comex (USD/lb)	539.4	0.0
Wheat cbot (USD/bu.)	505.8	-0.7

Source: Bloomberg

Exchange Rates		
Currency pair	**Rate**	**1D Change (%)**
USD/ INR	90.37	-0.7
GBP/ INR	120.81	-1.0
EUR/ INR	106.03	-0.6
EUR/USD	1.17	0.0
DXY Index	98.37	0.2

Source: Morningstar, Bloomberg, Marketwatch

Key events

US: CPI Nov'25, Jobless Claims; **Policy Decision:** Eurozone, UK, Brazil. Norway, Sweden, Denmark

Domestic

RBI Governor addresses additional room for lower rates (Source: The Hindu Businessline): Mr. Malhotra expects the policy rate to remain low for a long period of time. He further expressed surprise on above expected economic resilience while adding that RBI's economic forecasts had not accounted for potential trade deals which are under negotiation, potentially providing another 0.5pp boost to real growth.

Securities regulator moots several reforms (Source: SEBI): Highlights of the SEBI Board Meeting:

- Under the new Mutual Fund Regulations, expense ratio will be replaced by base expense ratio which excludes costs statutory and regulatory levies, which will be charged on actuals. Cap on brokerage has been reduced to 6 bps from 8.59 bps in cash transactions and additional expense allowance of 5 bps has been removed
- Debt issuers are now permitted to offer incentives to certain category of investors at time of initial allotment to boost retail participation in debt offerings
- Credit Rating Agencies are now allowed to carry out ratings of financial instruments falling under purview of other regulators, like RBI, to ensure availability of ratings for unlisted debt securities.
- Board has approved proposal to relax threshold for identification of High Value Debt Listed Entities to companies having NCDs of Rs 50 bn, vs Rs. 10 bn previously, to ease corporate bond issuances.

REIAs to consult with DISCOMs and consumers before floating tenders (Source: The Hindu Businessline): To facilitate execution of PPAs and address implementation challenges in renewable energy tenders, MNRE has adviced Renewable Energy Implementation Agencies to consult DISCOMs and consumers for aggregating power demand before floating tenders and urged States to comply with Renewable Consumption Obligation

International

US Fed official vouches for gradual easing in CY26 (Source: Bloomberg): Mr. Waller advocated for a moderate pace of rate actions in CY26, stating the rates remain ~100bps above neutral, amidst softness in labour markets and anchored inflation expectations.

UK CPI falls more than expected in Nov'25 (Source: Reuters): UK CPI fell to 3.2% y/y in Nov'25, lowest in 8 months, driven by disinflation in food prices to 4.2% (Oct: 4.9%) and inching down of services inflation to 4.4% (Oct: 4.5%).

ASEAN Central Banks divergent on policy path (Source: Reuters):

- Bank of Thailand cut its policy rate by 25 bps to 1.25% amidst deteriorating growth outlook, US tariff challenges and strong THB
- Bank Indonesia kept its policy rate unchanged at 4.75% in an effort to stabilize the IDR, citing room for easing in CY26 as inflation dips

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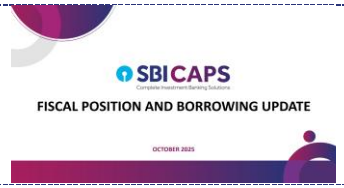

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