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Foreign G-Sec Bond Yield		
G-sec	**Yield (in %)**	**1D Change (bps)**
US 10Y*	4.39	14
US 2Y*	3.92	13
Germany 10Y	3.04	9
UK 10Y	4.99	15
Japan 10Y	2.28	2

*Source: Bloomberg, *semi-annual*

G-sec yield		
G- Sec	**Yield (in %)**	**1D Change (bps)**
6.01% GS 2030*	6.43	3
6.48% GS 2035* (10Y)	6.74	0
6.68% GS 2040*	7.13	0
1-Month T-bill	5.24	5
3-Month T-bill	5.31	0
6-Month T-bill	5.50	-3
12-Month T-bill	5.60	-4

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

Spreads in bps for Corporates				
Annualized Spreads	**3-year**	**5-year**	**7-year**	**10-year**
AAA	122	89	44	65
AA	203	173	130	152
A	398	363	321	345

Source: FIMMDA, as on 18 Mar, 2026

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	8.45
SOFR	3.62

Source: RBI, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Major Equity Indices		
Indices	**Last**	**1D Change (%)**
BSE SENSEX	74,533	0.4
NIFTY	23,115	0.5
NASDAQ	21,648	-2.0
S&P 500	6,506	-1.5
Nikkei 225	53,373	0.0
Euro Stoxx 50	5,501	-2.0

Source: Google Finance, Investing.com

Commodities Futures		
Commodities	**Last**	**1D Change (%)**
Brent Crude (USD/bbl)	112.5	6.3
Natural gas Nymex (USD/MMBtu)	3.1	-2.6
Gold Comex (USD/t oz.)	4,451.9	-4.8
Copper Comex (USD/lb)	534.3	-3.4
Wheat cbot (USD/bu.)	601.8	-0.6

Source: Bloomberg

Exchange Rates		
Currency pair	**Rate**	**1D Change (%)**
USD/ INR	93.72	1.2
GBP/ INR	124.94	0.2
EUR/ INR	107.18	-0.3
EUR/USD	1.16	-0.1
DXY Index	99.65	0.4

Source: Morningstar, Bloomberg, Marketwatch

Key Events

None

Domestic

Core industrial production ambled along in Feb'26 (Source: PIB): The index of eight core industries recorded a 2.3% y/y increase. The growth was helped by a surge in cement (9.3%) and steel (7.2%) production. Production of crude oil, natural gas, and refinery products crashed during the month. In 11MFY26, the overall index recorded a 2.9% y/y rise (11MFY25: 4.4%), with steel and cement being strong.

Norms to ease FPI investments could be in store (Source: ET): As per media sources, the SEBI Board is set to deliberate on a proposal to ease fund settlement norms for FPIs. This would enable FPIs to net funds for same day cash market trades, instead of individual settlement.

Telangana presents State Budget for FY27 (Source: The Hans India, The Hindu Businessline, Deccan Chronicle): Highlights:

- Revenue receipts are estimated at Rs. 2.41 trn in FY27, up 20% y/y
- Revenue expenditure for FY27BE has been pegged at Rs. 2.34 trn, with capex at Rs. 472.7 bn. Major allocations include urban development (Rs. 179.1 bn) & power subsidy (Rs. 140 bn)
- Fiscal deficit is estimated at Rs. 584.6 bn in FY27BE. To bridge this, open market loans of Rs. 733.8 bn are planned in FY27, coupled with restructuring of Rs. 256.1 bn of high interest-bearing loans
- Nominal GSDP grew by 10.7% y/y in FY26

Himachal Pradesh presents State Budget for FY27 (Source: Government of HP, The Tribune, Deccan Herald): Highlights:

- Revenue receipts are pegged at Rs. 403.6 bn in FY27BE, sharply below Rs. 445.4 bn as per FY26RE. The State no longer enjoys the revenue deficit grant (RDG) which it has had since 1952
- Revenue expenditure is posited at Rs. 469.4 bn in FY27BE, generating a revenue deficit of Rs. 67.6 bn. The CM announced up to 50% salary cuts for senior officials
- 5.62% of the total expenses will be on capex in FY27BE, which is well below FY26RE. Major outlay is for Roads & Small Industries
- Fiscal deficit is expected at Rs. 97.0 bn in FY27BE, which works out to 3.49% of GSDP. Growth for FY26 is estimated at 8.3% y/y

International

War: escalation and de-escalation go together (Source: Reuters):

- Mr. Bessent said that a temporary, narrow authorisation to allow sale of 140 mn barrels of Iranian oil at sea (excludes fresh production or purchases) has been provided for one month
- The POTUS said he would obliterate Iran's power plants if the Strait of Hormuz is not opened. Iran vowed irreversible damage
- US Fed members Mr. Waller and Ms. Bowman sounded caution on inflation, indicating pressure on policy

Russia cuts key rate for 7th consecutive time (Source: WSJ): The Central Bank slashed borrowing costs to 15% from 15.5%, owing to concerns about slower economic growth in early CY26. This was even as inflation at 5.9% y/y was above its 4% target.

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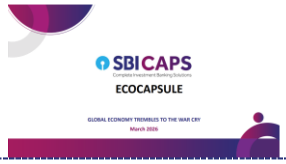

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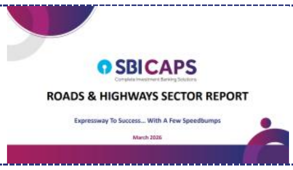

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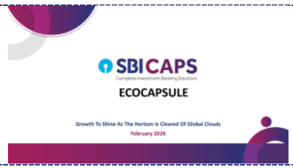

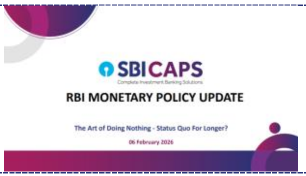

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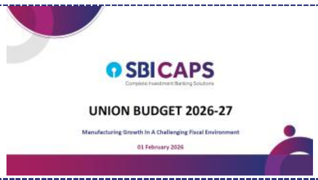

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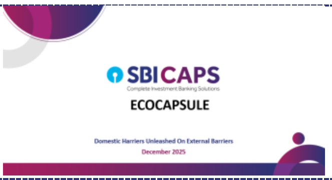

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