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The Daily Digest

Foreign G-Sec Bond Yield		
G-sec	Yield (in %)	1D Change (bps)
US 10Y*	4.73	3
US 2Y*	4.24	5
Germany 10Y	3.26	0
UK 10Y	5.06	-1
Japan 10Y	2.87	2

*Source: Bloomberg, *semi-annual*

G-sec yield		
G- Sec	Yield (in %)	1D Change (bps)
6.36% GS 2031*	6.48	-4
6.94% GS 2036* (10Y)	6.85	1
6.68% GS 2040*	7.03	-1
1-Month T-bill	5.11	1
3-Month T-bill	5.28	1
6-Month T-bill	5.55	-4
12-Month T-bill	5.72	-1

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

Spreads in bps for Corporates				
Annualized Spreads	3-year	5-year	7-year	10-year
AAA	129	110	69	77
AA	210	197	155	160
A	394	378	336	343

Source: FIMMDA, as on 20 August, 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	8.60
SOFR	3.63

Source: RBI, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Major Equity Indices		
Indices	Last	1D Change (%)
BSE SENSEX	77,541	0.0
NIFTY	24,252	0.1
NASDAQ	26,180	0.4
S&P 500	7,674	0.4
Nikkei 225	66,016	0.1
Euro Stoxx 50	6,462	0.6

Source: Google Finance

Commodities Futures		
Commodities	Last	1D Change (%)
Brent Crude (USD/bbl)	92.6	-1.2
Natural gas Nymex (USD/MMBtu)	2.7	-1.4
Gold Comex (USD/t oz.)	4,680.2	2.3
Copper Comex (USD/lb)	666.3	0.3
Wheat cbot (USD/bu.)	712.5	1.7

Source: Bloomberg

Exchange Rates		
Currency pair	Rate	1D Change (%)
USD/ INR	95.71	0.0
GBP/ INR	130.49	-0.2
EUR/ INR	108.72	-2.8
EUR/USD	1.17	-0.1
DXY Index	98.80	-0.1

Source: Bloomberg, Morningstar, Marketwatch

Key Events

India: VRRR Auction; **GDP Q2CY26:** Mexico, Nigeria

Domestic

Forex flows continue to gush in (Source: RBI): As on 21 Aug'26, USD 72.8 bn in forex inflows have been realised since 08 Jun'26. This comprises USD 65.4 bn in FCNR(B) deposits, USD 4.9 bn in OFCBs, and USD 2.6 bn in ECBs.

Services momentum could aid economic recovery in Aug'26 (Source: S&P Global): Flash Composite PMI edged up to 54.6 (Jul'26: 54.3). This was based on Flash Services PMI clocking 54.5 (Jul'26: 53.3). Hiring gains during the month, especially in the services sector, helped them clear backlogs. Flash Manufacturing PMI signalled a softer pace of expansion, printing 52.9 as input costs soared.

Scheme for setting up polysilicon facilities could be in the offing (Source: The Hindu Businessline): The MNRE is planning to introduce a capex-based subsidy for setting up 30 GW of polysilicon capacity by 2030. MNRE Secy said the component which will come up as part of PLI is insufficient, and therefore another scheme is germane. He added that he expects VRFB battery prices to fall as demand expands.

Securities Regulator seeks to improve the bond market (Source: SEBI): In a Consultation Paper, SEBI said it proposes to introduce a Fixed Income Channel Partners (FICP) framework. These partners will facilitate distribution of fixed income securities through OBPPs. The paper also goes on to mention the criteria for enlistment of FICP and guidelines as to their conduct etc.

International

Growth in advanced economies likely exuberant in Aug'26 (Source: S&P Global):

- US Flash Composite PMI sizzled to a 52-month high of 56.0 (Jul: 54.5), driven by fervent services activity as the Flash Services PMI attained 56.8. Manufacturing expansion calmed slightly to 53.2
- Eurozone Flash Composite PMI climbed to a 9-month high of 52.1, driven by Flash Manufacturing PMI reaching a 51-month high, even as services activity expanded at a similar pace as last month

'Economic D-day' on Iran as per US (Source: Reuters): The US threatened Iran with the greatest financial offensive ever marshalled. Mr. Bessent said that economic D-day begins at dawn. The sanctions would also target any country which engages with Iran peacefully. Iran said it would shut down all oil exports from the Gulf if the economic war continues.

US and Canada at it again as tariff war resumes (Source: BBC): The US slapped Canada with 50% tariffs, applicable on a limited sliver of Canadian goods (USD 20 bn worth or about 5% of the total). The tariffs impact wine, dairy, cement, clothing, and hockey equipment. Canadian PM retorted saying he will match the tariffs from 08 Sep'26, by exacting levies on steel, dairy, appliances, and electronics.

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