

Recent IPO Updates:

FII/DII Activity (in ₹crores)	
FII (Cash)	-1,926.76
DII (Cash)	3,895.68
FII (Index Futures)	-17.85
FII (Stock Futures)	-1379.96
FII (Index Options)	-1,212.16
FII (Stock Options)	613.05

- Eight IPOs worth over ₹3,700 crore open this week: five mainboards (Vikram Solar, Gem Aromatics, Patel Retail, Shreeji Shipping Global, Mangal Electrical) and three SME; seven listings scheduled, including BlueStone and Regaal Resources.
- Gem Aromatics will launch its IPO on August 19–21, combining a fresh issue and OFS totaling about ₹451 crore; listing slated for August 26.

P.E. & Funding Updates:

Global Market Snapshot	
Dow Jones	44,946.12 (▲ 0.08)
S&P 500	6,468.54 (▲ 0.00)
Nasdaq	21,710.67 (▲ 0.00)
Gift Nifty	24,655.00 (▲ 0.00)
Nikkei 225	43,378.31 (▲ 1.71)
Hang Seng	24,334.48 (▼ -4.64)

- Indian startups raised \$346M across 30 deals during Aug 11–16. Truemedics led with \$85M; Darwinbox, Ultraviolette and Arintra followed. The activity spanned deeptech, EV, SaaS, spacetechnology, healthcare and M&A, with notable mentions.
- Artha India Ventures closed Artha Select Fund at ₹432 crore, exceeding target; will back 12–14 portfolio winners in spacetechnology, fintech infrastructure, premium consumer, applied AI with ~₹20 crore cheques.

Business & Economic Updates:

- GST 2.0 aims to simplify compliance, fix input credit mismatches, curb fraud and rationalise rates, as the Centre readies a broader indirect tax revamp roadmap.
- India slips to 10th by market-cap performance amid global volatility and tariff overhang, as investors weigh policy risks and growth impulses in the coming weeks.
- The government nudges India Inc to expand its global footprint, leveraging supply-chain shifts and outbound opportunities while aligning with evolving trade and investment frameworks.

Macro Data	
Brent Crude	\$65.85 (▼ -1.48)
Gold	₹100,170.00 (▼ -0.20)
Silver	₹114,570.00 (▼ -0.37)
Dollar Index	97.85 (▼ -0.41)
INR/USD	87.56 (▲ 0.11)
India 10Y Bond Yield	6.46 (▲ 0.78)
US 10Y Bond Yield	4.32 (▼ -10.19)

- Twelve firms enter the ₹1-lakh-crore market-cap club as domestic liquidity and sectoral rerating lift benchmarks despite external headwinds and tariff uncertainty.
- ICICI Prudential Pension CIO K Sivakumar says steady retail SIP inflows let DIIs buy dips; H2 FY26 outlook improves on capex, festive demand, rural recovery, credit growth.
- Proposal under discussion to cut GST on cars, SUVs and two-wheelers to 18% to spur demand; details contingent on broader GST 2.0 rate rationalisation.

Geopolitical Updates:

Indian Market	
BSE Sensex	80,597.66 (▲ 0.07)
NIFTY 50	24,631.30 (▲ 0.05)
BSE SENSEX 50	25,725.12 (▲ 0.05)
NIFTY NEXT 50	66,511.60 (▼ -0.17)
BSE SENSEX Next 50	82,085.58 (▼ -0.25)
NIFTY BANK	55,341.85 (▲ 0.29)
BSE BANKEX	61,625.39 (▲ 0.23)
NIFTY FINANCIAL SERVICES	26,333.45 (▲ 0.36)
BSE FINANCIAL SERVICES	12,446.24 (▲ 0.26)
NIFTY MIDCAP SELECT	12,639.10 (▼ -0.47)
BSE MIDCAP	44,979.24 (▼ -0.18)
INDIA VIX	12.36 (▲ 1.81)

- Trump signals he may hold back secondary tariffs on India over Russian oil, leaving room for reversal depending on outcomes of high-level engagements and energy dynamics.
- Wang Yi's New Delhi visit will set the stage for Modi's first China trip in seven years, aligning agendas for the SCO summit and boundary talks progress.
- European leaders to join Zelensky in Washington as Trump seeks a broader deal, intertwining Ukraine support dynamics with parallel US-Russia engagement signals.
- US trade negotiators cancelled their August 25–30 Delhi visit for the sixth BTA round, stalling talks amid looming 50% US tariffs; near-term tariff relief for India is now unlikely.

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