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Economy to grow at 6.5% despite trade uncertainties

India's economy is projected to grow at a rate of 6.5 percent in the current financial year, despite global challenges such as geopolitical tensions and trade policy uncertainties. This growth is expected to be supported by domestic factors including low inflation, a favorable monsoon, and an accommodating interest rate regime, aided by multiple rate cuts. While external headwinds persist, India's economic resilience remains notable, maintaining its position as one of the fastest-growing major economies globally. Indicators point to a strong performance in the early months of the year, reflecting the country's steady momentum. Sound fiscal management, improving consumption, and a continued push in public and private investment are reinforcing confidence in the outlook. The combination of internal stability and adaptive policy measures has helped India navigate global volatility effectively. Looking ahead, maintaining this momentum will be crucial to ensuring sustainable growth and further strengthening India's macroeconomic position amid uncertain external conditions.

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/business/india-business/economy-to-grow-at-6-5-despite-trade-uncertainties-eac-pm/articleshow/122550447.cms>

Top Story 2

India's Economic Juggernaut On Way To Becoming The 3rd Largest Economy

India's economy, often likened to a steady and powerful elephant, is gaining momentum with unstoppable potential. Having recently climbed in global economic rankings, India is projected to become the third-largest economy within a few years. The goal is to add approximately \$1 trillion to GDP every 12 to 18 months over the next decade, targeting around 9% nominal GDP growth annually. While ambitious, this vision is grounded in strong macroeconomic fundamentals, a favorable demographic profile, rapid urbanization, and expanding capital markets. Structural reforms are also playing a pivotal role in strengthening the foundation for long-term growth. Key mega trends—including technological advancement, infrastructure development, and rising consumer demand—are expected to significantly contribute to this economic journey. As these factors align, India's trajectory toward becoming a global economic powerhouse appears increasingly attainable. The nation's steady yet determined approach reflects both resilience and a strategic focus on sustainable, inclusive development.

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/sarwantsingh/2025/07/14/indias-economic-juggernaut-on-way-to-becoming-the-3rd-largest-economy/>

Market

RBI Governor hints at allowing foreign banks to own 26% in Indian banks

The central bank highlighted that recent interest rate cuts have been effectively transmitted to lending rates, reflecting improved monetary policy pass-through. A cumulative rate cut of 50 basis points has led to a reduction of 24 basis points in rates for new loans and 16 basis points for existing ones. Future rate adjustments will depend on the evolving macroeconomic environment, particularly growth and inflation trends. Additionally, the regulator is considering allowing foreign institutions to hold up to a 26% stake in domestic banks, which could enhance capital inflows and strengthen the financial system. This potential move is seen as part of broader efforts to open up the banking sector and attract long-term foreign investment. The central bank remains focused on maintaining financial stability while supporting sustainable growth. Ongoing reviews of transmission effectiveness and policy alignment with macroeconomic indicators will guide any further decisions regarding interest rates and sectoral reforms.

https://www.business-standard.com/finance/news/rbi-governor-signals-26-percent-foreign-stake-possible-in-indian-banks-125071501228_1.html

Finance

RBI's Commitment to Keep Sufficient Liquidity Will Facilitate Rate Cut Transmission:

The central bank has reaffirmed its commitment to ensuring ample liquidity to support the effective transmission of interest rate cuts. By maintaining sufficient cash flow within the banking system, it aims to enable smoother and more consistent transmission of policy easing into lending rates. So far, prior rate reductions have successfully translated into lower borrowing costs—new loans saw a reduction of around 24 basis points and existing loans by about 16 basis points. With liquidity being sustained, households and businesses are expected to benefit from cheaper credit over time. This emphasis on liquidity management is a proactive measure to amplify the impact of future monetary easing and reinforce financial stability. Overall, the central bank's strategic approach of combining rate cuts with deliberate liquidity support bodes well for strengthening credit availability, promoting private investment, and bolstering growth momentum.

<https://www.outlookbusiness.com/economy-and-policy/rbis-commitment-to-keep-sufficient-liquidity-will-facilitate-rate-cut-transmission-fitch>

Investment

We will continue to deploy more capital in India

India’s investment landscape continues to attract significant global interest, with foreign capital deployment reaching record highs. In FY25, investments in India surged to \$50 billion, now comprising 8% of a leading investor’s total portfolio, up from 5% in recent years. This growth is driven by India’s strong fundamentals — a large, young, and aspirational population, rapid digitization, rising consumption, and a growing focus on sustainable living. The investor emphasized that while capital is allocated based on the merit of global opportunities, India stands out due to its long-term structural potential. Unlike other regions where capital share has fluctuated, India remains a consistent and growing focus. The firm highlighted India as one of the first international investment destinations and noted that visibility for continued deployment remains strong. India’s demographics and macroeconomic trends continue to make it a highly attractive destination for global investors seeking scalable, long-term opportunities.

<https://www.financialexpress.com/business/industry/we-will-continue-to-deploy-more-capital-in-india-vishesh-shrivastav/3915064/>

Digitalization

India’s Data Storage Market Set for Major Expansion: Projected to Triple by 2035

India’s data-storage market is rapidly expanding, with value expected to more than triple over the next decade. Growth is forecast at an annual rate exceeding 11 percent, driven by society’s accelerating use of digital services and the resulting surge in data volumes. Organizations increasingly require secure, scalable, and intelligent storage to support real-time analytics, cloud migration, and data protection. Government policy is also fueling momentum by encouraging local data retention, boosting infrastructure investment, and tightening privacy standards. Together, strong market demand and supportive regulation are creating powerful tailwinds for the sector. Storage providers are deploying advanced architectures—incorporating edge nodes, software-defined solutions, and energy-efficient designs—to deliver flexible capacity and rapid access. As enterprises scale their digital footprints, demand for resilient storage is expected to rise steadily. With the country’s large consumer base and thriving technology ecosystem, the data-storage segment appears poised for long-term, sustainable expansion, reinforcing India’s broader digital transformation.

<https://www.fmiblog.com/2025/07/16/indias-data-storage-market-set-for-major-expansion-projected-to-triple-by-2035/>

Metric	15th July 2025	16th July 2025	Change	Metric	15th July 2025	16th July 2025	Change
USDINR	87.05	87.15	0.1	NIFTY 50	26680	26740	60
EURINR	101.1	101.35	0.25	BSE Sensex	86580.15	86820.5	240.35
GBPINR	120.55	120.8	0.25				
JPYINR	60.6	60.68	0.08				

