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India is world's fastest growing large economy says Piyush Goyal, highlights role of sustainability in development agenda

India has reaffirmed its position as the world's fastest-growing large economy, highlighting a vision of inclusive, sustainable, and resilient growth. Emphasis was placed on global collaboration, stressing that nations must work together to achieve shared progress. Sustainability was underlined as central to India's development agenda and deeply rooted in its cultural ethos, where reverence for rivers, forests, and mountains is an intrinsic part of life. This philosophy, when integrated with modern technologies such as artificial intelligence, quantum computing, and machine learning, is seen as a powerful multiplier of growth. India's strong democratic framework, secure investment climate, and youthful, aspirational population further add momentum to this trajectory. The focus extends beyond domestic progress, positioning India as a driver of global prosperity, free trade, and improved quality of life. By aligning traditional values with advanced innovation, India aims to sustain its growth story for decades while contributing meaningfully to the world.

https://www.business-standard.com/markets/capital-market-news/india-is-world-s-fastest-growing-large-economy-says-piyush-goyal-highlights-role-of-sustainability-in-development-agenda-125091100275_1.html

Top Story 2

India's economy shows resilience amid global trade uncertainty:

India's economy has demonstrated resilience amid global trade disruptions and fiscal pressures, supported by strong domestic consumption and government expenditure. Growth in the first quarter remained robust, highlighting the nation's relative insulation despite global tariff concerns. Ongoing reforms, such as a simplified tax structure expected to release significant funds into the economy, are projected to further strengthen domestic demand. Exporters, however, are under pressure from reciprocal tariffs, with some duties reaching elevated levels, adding to costs and creating uncertainty in trade flows. Despite a weaker global currency environment, the rupee declined by nearly 5 per cent year-on-year, marking a record low. The central bank has limited its intervention, allowing depreciation to support exports while preserving reserves. Externally, capital inflows remain muted, though the current account is seen as manageable. Rising borrowing at the state level continues to weigh on yields, while expectations of global monetary easing add complexity to the outlook.

<https://ddnews.gov.in/en/indias-economy-shows-resilience-amid-global-trade-uncertainty-report/>

Economy

India's economic future hinges on interest income tax reform

India's high interest income tax deters individual investors, limiting affordable debt for infrastructure and SMEs. Reforming to concessional rate could unlock domestic capital, reduce costs, and boost economic growth. India's economic ambitions hinge critically on the development of world-class infrastructure and domestic manufacturing. Yet, a formidable obstacle remains: mobilising sufficient, affordable debt capital. Greenfield infrastructure development and manufacturing often carry inherent risks and modest credit ratings, making financing expensive and challenging. At the core of this challenge lies an often overlooked issue — the country's punitive taxation of interest income for individual investors. Indian individuals currently pay income tax on interest earnings at slab rates that can soar up to 30%, accompanied by surcharges and cess. This applies uniformly across interest sources — from bank deposits to bonds, mutual funds, REITs, and InvITs. By contrast, corporate entities and foreign investors have access to sophisticated tax planning, deductions, and international treaty benefits that significantly reduce their effective tax rates, often to the range of 10–15%.

<https://www.moneycontrol.com/news/opinion/india-s-economic-future-hinges-on-interest-income-tax-reform-13538117.html>

Market

RBI signs ₹3,472cr land deal with Mumbai Metro Rail Corporation Ltd for Nariman Point plot to build new office complex

In one of the largest land transactions in the city, the central bank has acquired a 4.2-acre plot at a prime location to build its new office complex. The agreement marks a significant addition to the financial sector's presence in India's most prestigious business district. The sale deed has been formally registered, paving the way for development of the upcoming complex. The acquisition is expected to reshape the landscape of the area, bringing fresh momentum to the commercial hub. According to experts, the deal was finalized at nearly 50% higher than the prevailing estimated market rate, underlining both the scarcity and the premium value of land in the region. This transaction not only strengthens institutional infrastructure but also sets a new benchmark for high-value real estate deals in urban India, reflecting growing demand for prime commercial spaces in the heart of its financial capital.

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/mumbai/rbi-signs-3472cr-land-deal-with-mumbai-metro-rail-corporation-ltd-for-nariman-point-plot-to-build-new-office-complex/articleshow/123815404.cms>

Finance

Banks, NBFCs may tap overseas market as dollar bond spreads narrow

Financial services firms are preparing to leverage the recent compression in dollar bond spreads by tapping into overseas debt capital markets in the coming quarters. The narrowing spreads have significantly improved the attractiveness of offshore borrowing across borrower categories, sparking a surge in enquiries. This shift follows an upgrade in India’s sovereign rating, which provides a major boost to institutions, as their ratings are typically capped at the sovereign level. The improved rating environment is expected to trigger a wave of issuances over the next two to three quarters, as companies seek to capitalise on the favorable borrowing costs. Experts highlight that this momentum marks a strategic opportunity for financial entities to secure funds more competitively while broadening their global investor base. The move is anticipated to strengthen capital flows, enhance liquidity, and support India’s broader financial ecosystem amid evolving global market dynamics.

https://www.business-standard.com/amp/finance/news/banks-nbfc-may-tap-overseas-market-as-dollar-bond-spreads-narrow-125091001214_1.html

Taxation

GST 2.0 has potential to trigger a virtuous cycle

India’s pursuit of tax simplification has been a long-standing journey. For years, citizens viewed the taxation system as complex and burdensome, yielding suboptimal results in both compliance and revenue. While direct taxes underwent major simplification, indirect taxes posed greater challenges. Excise duties were riddled with multiple rates and complications, further compounded by the federal structure. The concept of a unified Goods and Services Tax (GST) was debated for decades, with initial reforms remaining incomplete. Concerns over state autonomy, revenue loss, and political disagreements slowed progress. The breakthrough came when states were assured of compensation for potential losses, fostering trust and consensus. With the creation of the GST Council, India achieved a unique federal mechanism where powers were pooled for the common good. The launch of GST subsumed numerous taxes into a single system. Since then, compliance has improved, the taxpayer base has expanded significantly, and collections have grown steadily, strengthening India’s fiscal framework.

<https://indianexpress.com/article/opinion/columns/gst-2-0-has-potential-to-trigger-a-virtuous-cycle-10242617/>

Metric	09-Sep-2025 Value	10-Sep-2025 Value	Change	Metric	09-Sep-2025 Value	10-Sep-2025 Value	Change
USDINR	88.03	88.12	+0.09 ₹	NIFTY 50	24868.6	24973.1	+104.50 pts (≈+0.42%)
EURINR			—	BSE Sensex	81101.32	81425.15	+323.83 pts (≈+0.40%)
GBPINR			—				
JPYINR			—				