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“Success Is Getting What You Want; Happiness Is Wanting What You Get.”

Market Update

Nifty 50	25,082.3
BSE Sensex	82,253.46
Nifty 500	23,309.05
Nifty MidCap 50	16,620.3
BSE MidCap	46,600.13

CPI inflation eases to six-year low of 2.10% in June on favourable base effect, decline in food prices

India’s retail inflation, based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI), for June stood at 2.10 per cent, down from 2.82 per cent in May, data released by the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation showed on Monday. This is down 72 basis points in comparison to May 2025. It is the lowest year-on-year inflation after January 2019. CPI inflation in October had reached a 14-month high of 6.21 per cent. The YoY inflation rate based on All India Consumer Food Price Index (CFPI) for the month of June 2025 over June 2024 is -1.06 per cent (provisional). Corresponding inflation rate for rural areas stood at -0.92 per cent and urban inflation at -1.22 per cent, the NSO data showed. June witnessed a sharp decline of 205 basis points in food inflation in comparison to May 2025. The food inflation in June 2025 is the lowest after January 2019.

Source: [Financial Express, July 14, 2025](#)

Radhakishan Damani’s DMart in spotlight: Jefferies upgrades, Nuvama cuts target

The Radhakishan Damani-owned DMart is in focus this morning. Nuvama Institutional Equities has cut the 12-month price target. But international brokerage firm Jefferies has upgraded the ratings. What’s the right investment strategy now? The brokerage slashed the target price for Dmart by 4.4% to Rs 4,086 from Rs 4,273 and maintained a ‘Hold’ rating on the stock. DMart, which is operated by Avenue Supermarts, logged impressive 7.1% like-for-like (same store sales) growth despite major deflation in staples and non-food, boosted by a 3% larger average bill. But this came at a cost. The cost was a 27 basis points drop in gross margin and a 66 basis points slip in EBITDA margin. Nuvama said that the margins struggled due to a shift in sales mix towards lower-margin food (+79 basis points impact), capacity investments on better service, and rising entry-level wages.

Source: [Financial Express, July 14, 2025](#)

Foreign investors who previously resided in Saudi Arabia or one of the GCC countries allowed to invest in Tadawul All Share Index

Buying shares listed on the Tadawul All Share Index, the flagship index of the Saudi Exchange main market, will soon be possible for select foreign investors. Saudi Arabian Oil Co (Saudi Aramco) is one of the leading companies listed on the Tadawul All Share Index. Saudi Arabia’s Capital Market Authority (CMA) has made it possible for international investors to invest in the stock market by opening up its major stock exchange to them. The actual trading in stocks will begin soon, as the CMA has approved a set of amendments aimed at facilitating the Opening and Operation of Investment Accounts for various categories of investors. However, this will be restricted to a specific set of foreign investors. Only individual overseas investors resident in one of the GCC countries will be permitted to invest in shares listed on the Main Market, providing them with a direct channel to invest in the Saudi

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World Youth Skills Day: Empowering youth to thrive in a tech-led economy

As India navigates a transformative era defined by digital disruption, the skilling of its massive youth population has never been more urgent—or more promising. From AI and automation to smart infrastructure and immersive design, future-readiness is the new currency of employability. On World Youth Skills Day 2025, industry leaders are stepping forward with intent, showing that skilling isn't just a CSR checkbox—it's a national imperative and a strategic business investment. Godrej Enterprises Group, whose flagship initiative Project Disha continues to make a measurable impact. Launched in 2011, the program has touched over 200,000 young lives. In FY25 alone, more than 9,000 candidates were trained, with an impressive 45% securing employment, particularly in manufacturing roles critical to India's growth trajectory. "With a significant youth population, India is uniquely

Source: [People Matters, July 15, 2025](#)

Elon Musk says he does not support merger between Tesla and xAI

Elon Musk said on Monday he does not support a merger between his electric vehicle maker Tesla and his artificial intelligence startup xAI, which owns the Grok chatbot and competes with the likes of OpenAI's ChatGPT. In response to a user post on X that asked Tesla investors if they supported a merger between the two companies, Musk replied "No." On Sunday, Musk had said he would ask Tesla shareholders to vote whether Tesla can invest in xAI, after earlier saying "it would be great" if Tesla could do so. Tesla and xAI did not immediately respond to Reuters' requests for comment. xAI acquired X, formerly called Twitter and also owned by Musk, in a \$33 billion deal in March this year, valuing the combined group at \$80 billion at the time.

Source: [Financial Express, July 14, 2025](#)

After ScaleAI, Meta acquires voice AI startup PlayAI to boost its AI ambitions

Meta, the owner of social media giants like WhatsApp and Instagram, has completed the deal to acquire PlayAI, an artificial intelligence startup focused on voice technology, according to a report by Bloomberg. As per an internal memo viewed by the agency, the "entire PlayAI" team will join Meta next week. The PlayAI team will report to Johan Schalkwyk, who recently joined the tech giant from a separate voice AI startup called Sesame AI. A Meta spokesperson confirmed the acquisition to Bloomberg but did not disclose the sum paid by the company to buy PlayAI. As per the memo, the PlayAI team's "work in creating natural voices, along with a platform for easy voice creation, is a great match for our work and roadmap across AI Characters, Meta AI, Wearables, and

Source: [Livemint, July 13, 2025](#)

Amazon Interfered in Canadian Union Efforts, Labor Board Rules

Amazon.com Inc. mounted a "lengthy and pervasive anti-union campaign" at a warehouse in western Canada and hired an excessive number of workers to dilute support for a union, according to a Canadian labor board. The British Columbia Labour Relations Board found that Amazon Canada Fulfillment Services ULC violated provincial labor laws by interfering in organization efforts at a facility in Delta, south of Vancouver. The board green-lit the union on Friday through remedial certification — a move reserved for situations where an employer's actions make a fair vote unlikely. "There is little doubt that Amazon was trying to control the messaging within its facility and it did so in a manner that was coercive and intimidating," the board's decision

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