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Green hydrogen to power ₹10 lakh crore investment wave by 2030

India is set to witness a major green energy transformation with an expected investment wave of ₹10 lakh crore by 2030 under its National Green Hydrogen Mission. The country has set ambitious targets to produce 5 million tonnes per annum of green hydrogen and develop 20 GW of electrolyser manufacturing capacity by the end of the decade. To accelerate progress, over 8.58 lakh MTPA of green hydrogen production and 2.3 GW of electrolyser manufacturing capacity have already been awarded. This initiative aims to significantly reduce fossil fuel imports by ₹1 lakh crore and prevent 50 million metric tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions. The total financial outlay for the mission is ₹19,744 crore, which includes incentive schemes for both hydrogen production and electrolyser manufacturing. By focusing on sustainability and energy self-reliance, India is positioning itself as a global leader in the green hydrogen economy, paving the way for clean growth and reduced carbon dependence.

<https://energy.economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/oil-and-gas/indias-green-hydrogen-economy-set-for-10-lakh-crore-investment-surge-by-2030/122804538>

Top Story 2

PM to visit UK, FTA may be signed during visit

India is preparing to sign a landmark free trade agreement soon, culminating years of negotiations and marking a major win for commerce and economic strategy. The deal will eliminate or lower tariffs on nearly 99% of India's exports—especially benefiting labour-intensive sectors—while also providing duty cuts on imports like luxury goods and electronics. A faster ratification process will follow initial approval, with enforcement likely within a year. This free trade pact is expected to **significantly boost bilateral trade** over the next decade, enhance competitiveness, and deepen technology and service sector ties. By inviting foreign investment and easing cross-border business, it reflects a smart balance of protecting domestic interests and fostering global integration. Overall, the agreement strengthens India's position in global value chains and sets a strong precedent for future trade partnerships. The initiative fits squarely within the categories of **investment**.

Economy

India Becomes Global Leader In Fast Payments As UPI Processed 18.39 Billion Transactions In June

India has emerged as a global leader in fast payments, with its digital payment platform processing over 18 billion transactions in a single month, amounting to more than ₹24 lakh crore. This marks a 32% year-on-year growth. Today, the platform powers 85% of all digital transactions in the country and nearly 50% of all real-time digital payments globally. Handling over 640 million transactions daily, it has surpassed major global platforms in transaction volume. Serving nearly 500 million individuals and over 60 million merchants, the system connects hundreds of banks under one unified network. It has been instrumental in driving financial inclusion, especially in rural and small-town areas. Now live in multiple countries, the platform is also being proposed as a payment standard within a major international economic group, which could revolutionize cross-border payments. Recognized globally as a benchmark in digital infrastructure, its growth is a result of strong digital groundwork and a vision for inclusive innovation.

<https://zeenews.india.com/economy/india-becomes-global-leader-in-fast-payments-as-upi-processed-18-39-billion-transactions-in-june-2934454.html>

Market

India Bonds: A Strategic Buy Ahead of RBI Rate Cuts and Liquidity Moves

India's bond market is at a critical inflection point, shaped by recent monetary easing, liquidity shifts, and structural imbalances. Despite rate cuts and a neutral policy stance, bond yields have risen, driven by long-duration supply imbalances and cautious market sentiment. The central bank's calibrated approach aims to support growth while managing inflation, which has dropped to multi-year lows. Short-duration government securities (1–3 years) yielding 5.6%–5.8% offer downside protection, while floating-rate corporate bonds gain appeal amid stable credit spreads. Longer-duration bonds in the 6–8-year and 30-year range appear undervalued, especially if further rate easing unfolds. Inflation-linked bonds also offer protection against global uncertainties and CPI surprises. Liquidity operations, including recent absorption measures, have stabilized short-term rates but introduced yield curve volatility. Investors must differentiate between short-term anomalies and lasting trends, positioning strategically as the market anticipates future policy moves grounded in a data-driven framework supporting both inflation control and economic momentum.

<https://www.ainvest.com/news/india-bonds-a-strategic-buy-ahead-of-rbi-rate-cuts-and-liquidity-moves-25071010a38031c48652fe18/>

Finance

India Shelter Finance Corporation Achieves 52-Week High Amid Strong Market Momentum

A prominent finance corporation in India has reached a new 52-week high, reflecting strong market performance and investor confidence. The stock recently touched ₹986, marking a key milestone amid a broadly positive market, with benchmark indices also nearing their highs. The stock gained 3.74% over the past five days, outperforming its sector by 1.69%, and has consistently traded above all key moving averages—5-day to 200-day—indicating solid momentum. Financially, the company has shown impressive growth, recording a 43% compound annual growth rate in operating profits and a 37.5% annual increase in net sales. Its latest quarterly performance reported a peak PBDIT of ₹244.04 crore and a 12.47% rise in net profit. Over the past year, the stock has delivered a return of 32.22%, significantly outperforming broader market indices. These indicators highlight the corporation’s strengthening position in India’s financial landscape and growing appeal among investors seeking long-term value.

<https://www.marketsmojo.com/news/stocks-in-action/india-shelter-finance-corporation-achieves-52-week-high-of-rs-986-with-strong-performance-3>

Digitalization

The Future of India’s FMCG Market Exclusive Investor Insights - Powerful profit generation

India’s consumer goods market shows a cautiously optimistic outlook. Despite recent margin pressures from rising input costs and subdued demand—especially in certain segments—some companies have managed to maintain growth momentum. Rural consumption continues to outperform urban areas, driven by increasing spending on essential and discretionary items. Analysts expect a potential sector turnaround supported by easing cost pressures, gradual demand recovery, and rising preference for higher-value products. Market sentiment remains favorable toward entities with diversified product portfolios and robust supply chains. Several reports highlight that the demand environment could improve as inflation stabilizes and purchasing power increases across regions. Consumer behavior patterns also indicate a shift toward premium and value-added offerings. While near-term challenges persist, the broader fundamentals point to steady long-term growth. With evolving strategies and a focus on rural penetration and innovation, India’s consumer market appears well-positioned for sustained expansion in the coming quarters.

[FMCG sector: Rising costs, muted demand to weigh on FMCG margins in Q1 - The Economic Times](#)

Metric	18th July 2025	21st July 2025	Change	Metric	18th July 2025	21st July 2025	Change
USDINR	87.32	87.45	0.13	NIFTY 50	26910	27020	110
EURINR	101.85	102.1	0.25	BSE Sense	87260.9	87500.3	239.4
GBPINR	121.3	121.55	0.25				
JPYINR	60.82	60.9	0.08				

