

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## RBI eases restrictions on cash credit & current accounts

The Reserve Bank of India announced major regulatory changes by removing earlier restrictions on opening and operating cash credit accounts and simplifying current account norms. The move gives banks greater flexibility in structuring working capital financing and reduces procedural hurdles for businesses. This marks a shift towards more market-driven credit allocation.

### Why it matters?

Improves access to working capital for MSMEs and corporates.  
Enhances credit flow efficiency in the banking system.

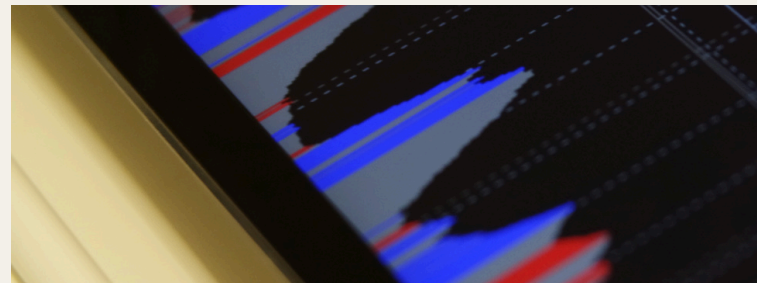


## Cabinet clears bill to raise FDI in insurance to 100%

The Union Cabinet approved a reform bill allowing up to 100% foreign direct investment in the insurance sector. The move aims to attract long-term global capital, enhance competition, and improve insurance penetration across India. Safeguards remain to ensure policyholder protection.

### Why it matters?

Unlocks large foreign capital inflows into insurance.  
Boosts sector competitiveness and innovation.



### Why it matters?

Strengthens India's long-term growth outlook.  
Supports job creation and technology transfer.

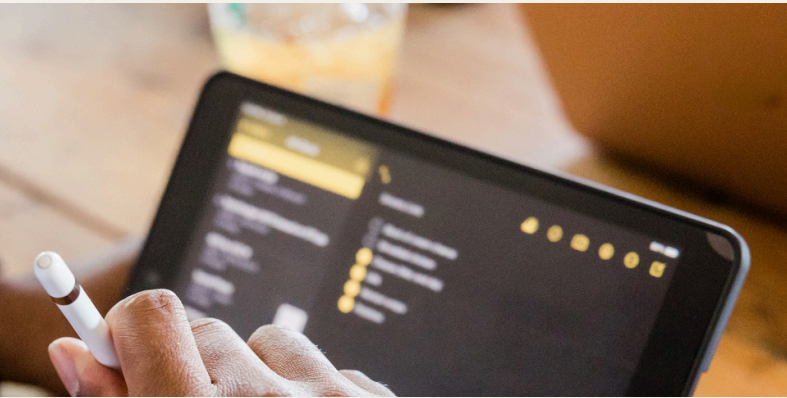


## India attracts \$135 billion in FDI commitments in 2025

India secured over \$135 billion in FDI commitments in 2025 across sectors such as technology, semiconductors, energy, and automotive. The inflows reflect strong global investor confidence despite geopolitical and global economic uncertainty.

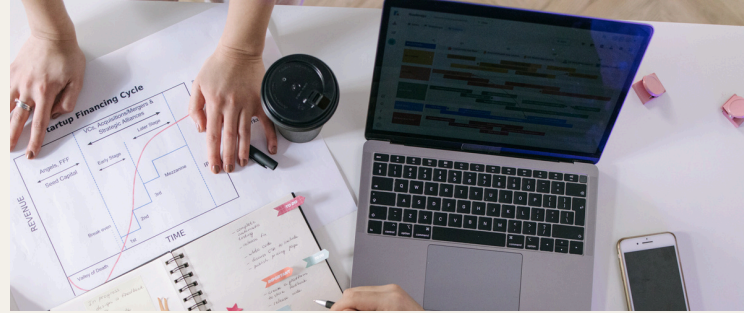
# India surpasses 2 lakh recognised startups

India crossed the milestone of 200,000 registered startups, with a growing share of women-led enterprises. The achievement highlights the maturity and depth of the Indian startup ecosystem supported by policy initiatives and digital infrastructure.



## Why it matters?

Signals strong entrepreneurial momentum.  
Expands innovation-led employment generation.



# Inflation edges up but stays below RBI target

India's retail inflation rose to 0.71% in November, remaining well below the RBI's medium-term target. Low inflation provides policymakers with room to maintain an accommodative stance while supporting growth.

## Why it matters?

Increases probability of future rate cuts.  
Supports consumption and borrowing.



## Why it matters?

Signals resilient domestic demand.  
Reduces fiscal deficit pressures.

# GST revenue crosses ₹1.75 lakh crore in November

India's GST collections remained robust, crossing ₹1.75 lakh crore, indicating sustained consumption and improved tax compliance. Strong indirect tax performance strengthens the government's fiscal position.

## Why it matters?

Enhances transparency in core market institutions.  
Improves systemic risk management.

# SEBI strengthens governance at Market Infrastructure Institutions

SEBI mandated the appointment of two executive directors in Market Infrastructure Institutions such as stock exchanges and clearing corporations. The move aims to strengthen governance, compliance, and risk oversight.

# Top Headlines

- RBI eases restrictions on cash credit and current accounts to improve working capital access.
- Global central banks increase gold reserves amid geopolitical risks.
- Indian bond market attracts long-term global investors amid stable inflation.
- European Union debates relaxing fiscal deficit rules to fund defence spending.
- India strengthens trade and investment engagement with African nations.
- GST authorities intensify action against fake invoice rackets.
- World Bank warns emerging economies of prolonged global financial tightening.
- GST collections cross ₹1.75 lakh crore in November, signalling strong consumption.
- RBI flags rising household leverage as a financial stability concern.
- ITAT rules employees not liable if employer fails to deposit TDS.
- CBDT expands AI-based risk profiling for income tax assessments.

## Stock Market Pulse on 12-December 2025

INDEX	PRICE	%CHANGE
NIFTY 50	26,046.95	0.57%
BSE SENSEX	85,267.66	0.53%
NIFTY BANK	59,389.95	0.30%
NIFTY MIDCAP 100	60,283.30	1.18%