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Tables:

Foreign G-Sec Bond Yield:		
G-sec	Yield (in %)	1-Day Change in Bp
US 10Y*	4.35	0
US 2Y*	3.99	-1
Germany 10Y	2.77	-2
UK 10Y	4.79	6
Japan 10Y	1.56	-1

Source: Bloomberg, *semi-annual

G-sec yield:

G- Sec	Yield (in %)	1-Day Change in Bps
6.75% GS 2029*	6.49	-2
6.79% GS 2034* (10Y)	6.60	-2
6.92% GS 2039*	6.71	-1
1-Month T-bill	6.49	-6
3-Month T-bill	6.51	3
6-Month T-bill 6.47		-6
12-Month T-bill	6.44	-2
Source: CCII_Bloombera_*semi-annual		

ource: CCIL, Bloomberg, *semi-annual

Spreads in bps for Corporates

Annualized Spreads	3-year	5-year	7-year	10-year
AAA	102	103	119	92
AA	184	187	203	176
Α	375	379	397	372
Source: FIMMDA, as on 26 Mar, 2025				

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Key rates:

Policy	Rate (in %)	
Repo rate	6.25	
Standing Deposit Facility Rate	6.00	
Bank rate	6.50	
1-year median MCLR of SCBs	9.00	
SOFR	4.35	
Source: BBL Federal Pasanue Bank of New York		

Source: RBI, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Money Market instruments:

Instrument	Volume (in Rs. Bn)	Weighted Avg Rate (%)
Call Money	162.4	6.16
Triparty Repo	4,064.8	6.14
Market Repo	1,760.8	6.14
Repo in corporate bond	17.3	6.29
Source: RBI, as of 27 Mar, 2025		

Major Equity Indices:

Indices	Last	1-Day Change %
BSE SENSEX	77,606	0.4
NIFTY	23,591	0.4
NASDAQ	17,804	-0.5
S&P 500	5,693	-0.3
Nikkei 225	37,799	-0.6
Euro Stoxx 50	5,381	-0.6
Source: Google Finance		

Commodities futures:

Commodities	Last	1-Day Change %
Brent Crude (USD/bbl)	74.0	0.0
Natural gas Nymex (USD/MMBtu)	4.0	2.3
Gold Comex (USD/t oz.)	3,111.2	1.5
Copper Comex (USD/lb)	510.5	-3.0
Wheat cbot (USD/bu.)	528.8	-0.8
Source: Bloomberg		

Exchange Rates:				
Currency pair	Rate	1-Day Change %		
USD/ INR	85.79	0.1		
GBP/ INR	110.96	0.1		
EUR/ INR	92.42	0.0		
EUR/USD	1.08	0.2		
DXY Index 104.30 -0.2				
Source: Morningstar, Bloomberg, Marketwatch				

Today's Key Macro Events:

India: VRR auction; US: PCE Feb'25; UK: GDP CY24, Retail Sales Feb'24

News:

Domestic:

Union releases borrowing plan for dated G-secs for H1FY26 (Source: PIB): The Union plans to borrow Rs. 8 trn (gross) in H1FY26 at 54% of FY26BE (H1FY25 as % of FY25BE: 53%), including Rs. 100 bn in SGrBs. The target would be completed through 26 weekly auctions. The tenor profile is 3Y (5.3%), 5Y (11.3%), 7Y (8.2%), 10Y (26.2%), 15Y (14%), 30Y (10.5%), 40Y (14%), and 50Y (10.5%). FY25 saw auctions of Rs. 14.03 trn vs. planned of Rs. 14.3 trn.

T-bill auction calendar published for Q1FY26 (Source: RBI): Gross issuances in Q1FY26 are indicated at Rs. 2.47 trn (Q4FY25A: Rs.4.42 trn, Q1FY25A: Rs. 3.47 trn). The issuances will be implemented through weekly auctions of Rs. 90 bn of 91-day T-bills, Rs. 50 bn of 182-day T-bills, and Rs. 50 bn of 364-day T-bills.

Union contemplates doubling investment limit for foreigners (Source: Reuters): According to media sources, Union is seeking to double the investment cap for individual foreign investors in listed companies to 10% with RBI allegedly planning to raise the combined holding limit of overseas investors in an Indian listed company to 24% from current 10%, aiming to boost capital inflows.

Credit growth remains sullen with few bright spots in Feb'25 (Source: RBI):

- Non-food credit grew 10.9% y/y in Feb'25 (Jan'25: 11.4% y/y), the slowest pace since Apr'22, as banks reel from impact of regulatory tightening.
- Industry credit grew 7.2% y/y in Feb'25, driven by medium sized industries, in sectors such as construction and electronics
- Services grew 12% y/y in Feb'25 (Jan'25: 12.5% y/y), with ever-slowing NBFC credit being offset by strong growth in trade, transport and CRE.
- Personal loans grew 11.7% y/y in Feb'25
- MCLR fell 5 bps m/m in Mar'25 to 9%, indicative of easing borrowing costs

PLI schemes gain traction, new ones likely to be launched (Source: PIB, CNBC):

- As of 31 Dec'24, PLI for auto and auto components has garnered Rs. 252 bn in investments, Rs. 152.3 bn in incremental sales. Notably, beneficiaries received Rs. 3.2 bn in incentives
- According to media sources, the Union has finalized a proposal for electronics PLI worth Rs. 250 bn, focussing on key components such as batteries, displays, camera modules, etc. The scheme is expected to attract investments worth Rs. 450 bn - 500 bn

CPSEs accelerate capex in Q4FY25 (Source: FE): Capex by CPSEs reached Rs. 7.4 trn in 11MFY25 at 94% of FY25RE, from 56% of FY25RE in Nov'24, with several oil companies exceeding 100%. Notably, NHAI achieved a capex of Rs. 2.05 trn in 11MFY25 at 121% of FY25RE.

Union unveils plans for highway projects (Source: The Hindu Businessline): Union Minister Mr. Gadkari announced Rs. 10 trn worth projects for converting 25k km of two-lane highways into four lane highways and additional Rs. 6 trn worth projects for converting 16k km of national highways into 6 lanes, tentatively within 2 years.

International:

US Fed officials wary of tariffs' impact on economy (Source: Reuters, ET):

- Mr. Barkin expressed comfort in the modestly restrictive policy as uncertainty impacts demand and tariff hit firms face price pressures.
- Ms. Collins highlighted the inevitable and enduring impact of tariffs on inflation and hence expects steadier for longer rates.

US trade deficit reduces in Feb'25 (Source: US Census Bureau): US merchandise trade deficit narrowed to USD 147.4 bn in Feb'25 (Jan'25: USD 155 bn), with exports growing 2.3% y/y, while imports grew 22.6% y/y.

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Trade war continues as POTUS and world leaders share jibes (Source: Reuters, ET):

- Mr. Trump has vowed to implement larger scale tariffs on countries that intend to economically harm the US, specifically mentioning the EU and Canada, countries that had voiced out against recent round of auto tariffs
- Mr. Carney, PM of Canada, said he is considering retaliatory measures against tariffs and labelled it direct attack on workers
- South Korea's industry minister promised measures including boosting domestic investments and demand by Apr'25 to minimize the impact
- Japanese PM Mr. Ishiba said he is looking for appropriate measures and it will put all options on table
- EU said it will delay its first set of counter measures to mid-Apr'25 including 50% tariff on US bourbon

Mexico cuts policy rate amidst trade uncertainty (Source: Reuters): Banxico cut its policy rate as expected by 50 bps to 9%, underscoring progress on inflation amidst heightened uncertainty relating to trade and a weakening economy.

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