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Tables:

Foreign G-Sec Bond Yield:

G-sec	Yield (in %)	1-Day Change in Bps
US 10Y*	4.06	-13
US 2Y*	3.81	-9
Germany 10Y	2.72	4
UK 10Y	4.64	0
Japan 10Y	1.36	-12

Source: Bloomberg, *semi-annual

G-sec yield:

G- Sec	Yield (in %)	1-Day Change in Bps
6.75% GS 2029*	6.36	-9
6.79% GS 2034* (10Y)	6.48	-10
6.92% GS 2039*	6.60	-9
1-Month T-bill	6.09	-29
3-Month T-bill	6.26	-8
6-Month T-bill	6.27	-22
12-Month T-bill	6.27	-17
Source: CCII Bloomherg *semi-gonual		

Source: CCIL, Bloomberg, *semi-annual

Spreads in bps for Corporates

Annualized Spreads	3-year	5-year	7-year	10-year
AAA	67	59	53	41
AA	151	144	139	133
Α	342	337	333	329
Source: EIMMDA as on 28 M	ar 2025			

Source: FIMMDA, as on 28 Mar, 2025

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	4.39
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Source: RBI, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Money Market instruments:

Instrument	Volume (in Rs. Bn)	Weighted Avg Rate (%)
Call Money	163.5	6.19
Triparty Repo	4,257.5	5.75
Market Repo	1,781.3	5.96
Repo in corporate bond	12.2	6.17
Source: RBI, as of 02 Apr, 2025		

Major Equity Indices:

Indices	Last	1-Day Change %
BSE SENSEX	76,617	0.8
NIFTY	23,332	0.7
NASDAQ	17,601	0.9
S&P 500	5,671	0.7
Nikkei 225	35,726	0.2
Euro Stoxx 50	5,304	-0.3
Source: Gooale Finance		

Commodities futures

Commodities	Last	1-Day Change %
Brent Crude (USD/bbl)	73.3	-1.7
Natural gas Nymex (USD/MMBtu)	4.0	1.0
Gold Comex (USD/t oz.)	3,168.6	0.3
Copper Comex (USD/lb)	492.1	-2.9
Wheat cbot (USD/bu.)	532.3	-1.6
Source: Bloomberg		

Exchange Rates:

Currency pair	Rate	1-Day Change %	
USD/ INR	85.51	-0.2	
GBP/ INR	112.01	1.2	
EUR/ INR	93.50	1.2	
EUR/USD	1.09	1.1	
DXY Index 103.08 -1.1			
Source: Morningstar, Bloomberg, Marketwatch			

Today's Key Macro Events:

India: VRR, SGS, OMO auction; Services/Composite PMI Mar'25: US, China, Eurozone, Japan; US: Trade Balance Feb'25, Jobless Claims; Philippines: Policy rate

News:

Domestic:

Manufacturing activity rebounds in Mar'25 (Source: S&P Global): Registering 58.1 in Mar'25, manufacturing PMI reached an eight-month high in Mar'25. The improvement was driven by the new orders index, with finished goods inventory being liquidated quickly.

Fossil fuel consumption sees moderate rise (Source: PPAC): Petrol consumption rose 5.3% y/y in Mar'25, while diesel consumption remained flattish. ATF sales saw fair traction, rising 5.5%. For FY25, ATF showed a strong 8.9% y/y growth as air passenger traffic soared, with petrol consumption seeing 7.3% growth.

NHAI overachieves target for FY25 (Source: PIB): NHAI constructed 5,614 km of national highways in FY25 against a target of 5,150 km. It accomplished an all-time high capex of Rs. 2.5 trn (target: Rs. 2.4 trn, FY24: Rs. 2.07 trn). Total monetisation by NHAI in FY25 was Rs. 287 bn.

Government to prioritise local steel mills in contracts (Source: The Hindu Businessline): The Domestically Manufactured Iron and Steel Policy 2025, all government arms must prioritise made in India flat rolled steel, bars, rods, and railway materials compliant with 'melt and pour' condition. Reciprocal clause and requirement for domestic value addition in capital goods is also present.

International:

Mr. Trump imposes steep tariffs across the board (Source: The White House): Following an assessment of trade and non-trade barriers (including currency manipulation) by US authorities, the following are effective from 05 Apr'25:

- Most countries targeted were charged about half the effective tariff they charged on US exports. All other countries will be charged a baseline tariff of 10%
- India has been charged 27% tariff, as against 52% it charges on US exports, as assessed by the US
- A 34% tariff has been imposed on China. With 20% tariffs also remaining, this raises effective tariff to 54%
- EU has been charged 20%, Japan 24%, S. Korea 26%, S. Africa 31%, Taiwan 32%, Thailand 37%, and Vietnam 46%
- Canada and Mexico have been exempted from reciprocal tariffs even as fentanyl related ones persist

Major economies react to tariff measures (Source: WSJ, Reuters, BS, BBC):

- As per media sources, the EC is working on short-term economic support proposals to go alongside plans for advance reforms and competitiveness. ECB's Ms. Lagarde, Mr. Rehn, and Ms. Schnabel denounced the incoming tariffs, saying it would cause harm to the global economy
- Mexican President Ms. Sheinbaum said it will not impose tit-for-tat tariffs and gradually comply with a US water treaty
- China said the rampage amounted to an oversimplistic tit for tat game
- India plans to lower import tariffs on electric cars in the first tranche of tariff reductions in a planned bilateral trade deal as per media sources
- Australia said it was 'not the act of a friend' while Italy said the move was wrong. Spain reaffirmed its commitment to an open world, while Ireland claimed the decision benefitted no one. Brazil passed the Economic Reciprocity Law in Congress. S. Korea said global trade war is now a reality

China imposes restrictions on US investments (Source: Bloomberg): Several branches of NDRC have been instructed to halt the registration and approval of investment applications for US-bound projects. They report that the restrictions do not impact existing investments including holdings in US Treasuries.

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Services activity shows mixed trends in East Asua (Source: S&P Global):

- China's Caixin Services PMI registered 51.9 in Mar'25 (Feb: 51.4), helped by higher new business inflows. Composite PMI posted 51.8 in Mar'25, signalling fastest growth in business output since Nov'24
- Japan's Services PMI veered precipitously on the border of expansion and contraction in Mar'25, as optimism feel to the lowest level since Jan'21. Composite PMI thus fell into contraction for the first time since Oct'24

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