

# Business News Update

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**“If you fail, never give up because  
Fail means First Attempt in Learning.”**

## **SEBI’s ‘live and let live’ strategy spurs market balance with dual expiry rule**

The Securities and Exchange Board of India’s (SEBI) latest mandate on having two expiry days for stock exchanges makes one thing clear — it wants to encourage healthy competition. More importantly, the regulator has taken the tricky call of deciding that while allowing expiries on all days will lead to hyperactivity that could hurt investor protection and market stability, having it on a single day will increase concentration risk. “In the multi-exchange framework, spacing out of expiry days through the week reduces concentration risk and provides an opportunity to stock exchanges to offer product differentiation to market participants,” the circular issued on Monday said. On the face of it, the market regulator is mandating a predictable trading calendar and spreading the expiry day-specific speculative surges through the week.

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## **Tata is giving wing to Make in India aviation dream**

India's aim to achieve self-sufficiency in aerospace manufacturing is taking wings. Though India is rapidly developing as an exporter of aerospace components and services, manufacturing its own civil aircraft seems distant. However, one of India's largest conglomerates, Tata Group, is well on its way to make India a manufacturer of civil aircraft. Tata Group has taken a significant step on this journey. European aviation major Airbus and Tata Advanced Systems (TASL), the aerospace arm of the Tata group, will set up the Final Assembly Line (FAL) for the H125 helicopters in Kolar, Karnataka, as per an ET report. The facility is India’s first privately-led helicopter assembly facility. It will produce Airbus’ best-selling H125 helicopter from its civil range for India and the neighbouring countries and will be the fourth such facility in the ..

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## **Life insurance sector in India to grow at 10.5% against global average of 5%: Report**

Life insurance market in India will grow at 10.5 per cent against a global average of 5 per cent over the next ten years, according to a report by Allianz Global Insurance. The anticipation for the growth of life insurance in India is due to the growing economic activity in the Indian economy and the policies of the government to promote insurance. The report stated that most of the growth will be in the life segment, adding that more than half of the additional premium pool will be generated in Asia, with China leading, followed by North America and Europe, but India is likely to grow at a much faster rate. "While China (+7.8% p.a.) will continue to dominate the region in absolute terms, the real growth champion over the next decade is likely to be India (+10.5% p.a.). As a result, the Indian life insurance market will overtake Japan to become the second largest in the region," the report added.

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## **India, US may agree on interim trade deal by June 25: Sources**

With a team of US officials expecting to visit India next month for trade talks, there is a possibility that the two countries may agree on an interim trade pact by June 25, sources said. India's chief negotiator, Special Secretary in the Department of Commerce Rajesh Agrawal, concluded his four-day visit to Washington last week. He held talks with his US counterpart on the proposed agreement. Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal was also in Washington last week to give an impetus to trade talks. He met with US Commerce Secretary Howard Lutnick twice during his visit. Both sides are looking at an interim trade deal before the first tranche of the proposed bilateral trade agreement (BTA) as the USA's 26 per cent reciprocal tariff on India is suspended till July 9 this year. It was imposed by the US on April 2. However, Indian goods still attract the 10 per cent baseline ..

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## Japan loses status as world's top creditor

Japan has lost its position as the world's top creditor after 34 years, falling behind Germany, even as its net external assets last year hit a record high, officials said Tuesday. Japan's net external assets as of the end of last year stood at 533.05 trillion yen (\$3.7 trillion), up 12.9 percent from a year earlier, according to data released by the finance ministry. That, however, was below Germany's 569.65 trillion yen, meaning Japan lost the top spot it has held since 1991, the finance ministry said. The government played down the development. "Net external assets are determined by the accumulation of various factors, including changes in the prices of financial assets and debts as well as the balance of payments," spokesman Yoshimasa Hayashi said.

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## China auto market price war stokes fears of industry shake-out

An intensifying auto industry price war in China has stoked fears of a long-anticipated shake-out in the world's largest car market. Shares of China's largest automakers sank Monday after Chinese electric-vehicle giant BYD offered fresh discounts across more than a dozen models, and an executive at another car company fretted openly about the country's deepening price war. BYD's moves cut the starting price of its cheapest model, the battery-powered Seagull hatchback, to 55,800 yuan (\$7,765), from nearly \$10,000. The BYD price cuts, along with other developments, signal a potential tipping point, where weaker players can no longer sustain deepening losses from the downward spiral on prices, said Tu Le, managing director of Sino Auto Insights, an advisory firm. "This points to a bloodbath later this year," he said. "This could be the first domino that would finally put pressure on weaker players -- startups like Neta and Polestar -- that have been teetering."

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## Tesla EU sales slump 52% in April: trade group

Sales of cars made by Elon Musk's Tesla slumped by more than half in April as Chinese electric carmakers saw their share surge, the continent's manufacturing association said Tuesday. While sales of electric cars rose overall in the 27 European Union nations, Tesla's share fell dramatically amid the spotlight on Musk's work with US President Donald Trump and the US company's ageing range. The European Automobile Manufacturers' Association (ACEA) said Tesla sales in April fell to 5,475 cars, down 52.6 percent from the same month last year. Tesla announced in April that its worldwide sales in the first quarter had fallen 13 percent, increasing pressure on Musk, though the company partly blamed lost production amid an upgrade to its Model Y standard-bearer. Musk has since announced he will reduce his work helping Trump slash US government spending and last week said that Tesla sales are "doing well".

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## Trump says US will control US Steel as part of Nippon deal

US President Donald Trump said on Sunday that the United States will have control over U.S. Steel as part of the company's partnership with Japanese firm Nippon Steel. As part of the deal announced on Friday, Nippon Steel plans to invest \$14 billion into U.S. Steel's operations, including up to \$4 billion in a new steel mill. Trump said on Friday the merger would create 70,000 jobs. Pressed for more details of the agreement, Trump said on Sunday: "It will be controlled by the United States, otherwise I wouldn't make the deal." Speaking to reporters as he left for Washington after a weekend at his New Jersey golf club, Trump said relevant lawmakers had pressed him to make the deal. "It's an investment and it's a partial ownership, but it will be controlled by the USA," he said.

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