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- **Central Bank of India to establish “digital bank” within bank:** Central Bank of India plans to establish a “Digital Bank” within the bank as part of its business transformation strategy. The Mumbai-headquartered public sector bank seeks to leverage digital technology for business growth, retain existing customers and attract new customers through digital modes, provide customer convenience and enhance productivity of staff. The bank plans to digitise its whole business, converting traditional business models into a seamless digital platform via an universal app, and omni-channel (mobile banking, internet banking, tab banking, and business correspondent points etc.) experience. In the process, the bank expects a transformation in the mindset of its employees too. Each business vertical will launch digital products and manage digital journeys for customers.
<https://www.thehindubusinessline.com/money-and-banking/central-bank-of-india-to-establish-digital-bank-within-bank/article65338178.ece>
- **Bank of India to raise ₹2,500 crore via further issue of equity shares:** Bank of India (BoI) on Wednesday said its Board of Directors will meet on April 25th to consider a proposal for raising capital up to ₹2,500 crore in FY23. The capital raise would be by way of a further issue of equity shares through qualified institutional placement, follow-on public offer or preferential issue, per the public sector bank’s regulatory filing. BoI had raised equity share capital of ₹2,550.01 crore through qualified institutional placement on August 31, 2021. The bank had also issued and allotted about 40.54 crore equity shares of 10 each at a premium of ₹52.89 per share to investors.
<https://www.thehindubusinessline.com/money-and-banking/bank-of-india-to-raise-2500-crore-via-further-issue-of-equity-shares/article65338336.ece#:~:text=The%20public%20sector%20bank%20had,%E2%82%B9%2C500%20crore%20in%20FY23.>
- **IFC, PayU invest ₹114 crore in Vayana Network :** Vayana Network on Wednesday announced it has raised a further ₹114 crore as part of its Series C funding from International Finance Corporation (IFC) and PayU. “Vayana plans to use the funds to build products focused on helping MSMEs better manage their working capital and become credit ready,” it said in a statement. As part of its Series C round, the company had already raised ₹283 crore from new and existing investors, including Marshall Wace, March Capital, Chiratae Ventures, CDC group, Jungle Ventures, and well-established family offices in India and abroad.
<https://www.thehindubusinessline.com/money-and-banking/ifc-payu-invest-114-crore-in-vayana-network/article65338222.ece>
- **Fino Payments Bank receives RBI approval to offer FD and RD services of Suryoday SFB:** Fino Payments Bank has received approval from the Reserve Bank of India for commencing referral services of fixed deposit (FD) and recurring deposit (RD) on behalf of a partner bank. In a letter on April 19, the



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RBI has said Fino Payments Bank can carry out referral services of term deposit products in the form of FD and RD as a business correspondent of Suryoday Small Finance Bank (SSFB). "The FD and RD referral services will be offered to Fino Payments Bank's over 3.9 million customers," Fino Payments Bank said in a statement on Wednesday, adding that the service is expected to go live in the second quarter of FY23.

<https://www.thehindubusinessline.com/money-and-banking/fino-payments-bank-receives-rbi-approval-to-offer-fd-and-rd-services-of-suryoday-sfb/article65339111.ece>

- **HDFC inks pact to sell 10% equity in HDFC Capital to Abu Dhabi Investment Authority:** India's largest private mortgage lender Housing Development Finance Corporation (HDFC) has entered into an agreement to sell 10% of the fully diluted paid-up share capital of its wholly-owned subsidiary HDFC Capital Advisors to an affiliate of the Abu Dhabi Investment Authority (ADIA) for around Rs 184 crores. HDFC will continue to hold the balance 90% stake post the stake sale that values the private equity real estate firm at over Rs 1,840 crore. The sovereign wealth fund owned by the Emirate of Abu Dhabi is also the primary investor in the alternative investment funds managed by HDFC Capital. HDFC Capital, set up in 2016, is the investment manager to HDFC Capital Affordable Real Estate Funds 1, 2 and 3; and is aligned with the Government of India's goal to increase housing supply and support the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - 'Housing for All' initiative.
<https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/industry/services/property/-/cstruction/hdfc-inks-pact-to-sell-10-equity-in-hdfc-capital-to-abu-dhabi-investment-authority/articleshow/90949878.cms>
- **Grant loans to real estate sector after ensuring govt approvals for project: RBI to NBFCs:** Non-banking finance companies (NBFCs) will have to ensure while approving loans to the real estate sector that the borrowers have been granted permission from the government and other regulatory authorities for their projects, the Reserve Bank said on Tuesday. Besides, the regulator said NBFCs should not grant loans and advances totalling Rs 5 crore and above to their own directors, including the chairman and managing director or their relatives and other related entities. The norms will kick in from October. In a notification on revised regulatory restrictions on NBFCs while giving loans and advances, the RBI said the proposals for credit facilities of an amount less than Rs 5 crore to these borrowers may be sanctioned by the appropriate authority in the NBFC, but the matter should be reported to the board. "While appraising loan proposals involving real estate, NBFCs shall ensure that the borrowers have obtained prior permission from government/local government/ other statutory authorities for the project, wherever required," it said.
<https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/industry/banking/finance/banking/grant-loans-to-real-estate-sector-after-ensuring-govt-approvals-for-project-rbi-to-nbfc/articleshow/90942726.cms>
- **PSU bosses may be exempted from submitting passport info to banks:** The government is likely to exempt heads and senior officials of state-run firms from submitting their passport details to banks. At present, passport details of promoters, directors and authorised signatories in respect of loan accounts of ₹50 crore and above must be furnished with the lenders. The finance ministry had issued the advisory in 2018 to public sector banks (PSBs) to enable lenders to inform relevant authorities of the passport details if needed.



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<https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/industry/banking/finance/banking/psu-bosses-may-be-exempted-from-submitting-passport-info-to-banks/articleshow/90943825.cms>

- **IBBI proposes tweaks in rules to reduce delays in corporate insolvency process:** Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) has issued a consultation paper proposing tweaks to the corporate insolvency resolution process. The regulator has put forth four specific proposals which are aimed at reducing delays in the IBC process. In the 10-page discussion paper, the insolvency regulator has proposed to impose an obligation on the committee of creditors (COC) to share all the documents they possess on the company with the insolvency resolution professional (IRP). The documents proposed to be covered under this include details of valuation exercises, information on stock audits and relevant extracts from forensic audits.
<https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/industry/banking/finance/banking/ibbi-proposes-tweaks-in-rules-to-reduce-delays-in-corporate-insolvency-process/articleshow/90954889.cms>
- **Chinese banks continue to dominate; ICICI latest Indian entrant among top banks in APac:** Chinese banks continued to dominate the Asia-Pacific banking scene accounting for six out of the top ten slots by assets in 2021, according to S&P Global Market Intelligence. India's ICICI Bank has entered the top 50 list for the first time to join State Bank of India (SBI) and HDFC Bank with \$226 billion in assets. SBI, India's largest bank by assets, jumped two spots to be ranked 22 nd in the list with \$695 billion in assets. HDFC Bank, the country's private sector bank also improved its position to 44 th from 46 th last year. ICICI just about made it to the list at number 50 with \$226 billion in assets.
<https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/industry/banking/finance/banking/chinese-banks-continue-to-dominate-icici-latest-indian-entrant-among-top-banks-in-apac/articleshow/90962345.cms>
- **RBL finalises next MD; seeks RBI approval:** Private sector RBL Bank on Wednesday said it has finalised the name for regular MD and CEO and forwarded it to the RBI for approval. The Board at its meeting held on Wednesday accepted the recommendations of the nomination and remuneration Committee, RBL said in a regulatory filing. The bank, however, did not disclose the name selected for the position. It further said the name has been forwarded to the RBI for its approval as per the provisions of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949. Last month, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) had granted an extension of three months to its interim MD and CEO Rajeev Ahuja.
https://www.business-standard.com/article/finance/rbl-bank-finalises-next-md-and-ceo-sends-for-rbi-approval-122042001142_1.html#:~:text=Private%20sector%20RBL%20Bank%20on,said%20in%20a%20regulatory%20filing
- **IDBI Trustee allows vote in RHFL after Bombay HC go ahead:** IDBI Trusteeship Services Ltd the trustee for bond holders in the debt laden Reliance Home Finance Ltd (RHFL) has called for voting by bond holders of the company on the resolution plan submitted by non banking finance company (NBFC) Authum Investment and Infrastructure after a Bombay High Court (HC) order allowing for the same, increasing chances of the completion of a resolution that has been hanging for almost a year. In a notice to the stock exchanges IDBI Trusteeship has called for a meeting of debenture holders of RHFL



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on May 13. Lenders to RHFL led by Bank of Baroda (BoB) and Yes Bank had already approved Authum's plan in June last year but bond holders constitute 41% of the debt.

<https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/industry/banking/finance/banking/idbi-trustee-allows-vote-in-rhfl-after-bombay-hc-go-ahead/articleshow/90963814.cms>

- **Prices of G-Secs rally on short-covering:** Government Securities (G-Secs) prices rallied on Wednesday on short-covering towards the end of the trading session, with the price of the 10-year benchmark G-Sec and the 13-year G-Sec rising 31 paise and 46 paise, respectively. Price of the 10-year (2032) G-Sec/GS (coupon rate: 6.54 per cent) closed at ₹96.06, up from ₹95.75). Yield of this security thawed about 4 basis points to close at 7.11 per cent (7.15 per cent). Bond prices and yields are inversely correlated and move in opposite directions. One basis point is equal to one-hundredth of a percentage point.
<https://www.thehindubusinessline.com/money-and-banking/prices-of-g-secs-rally-on-short-covering/article65339100.ece>
- **Reliance Capital resolution: Final list of prospective resolution applicants released:** Adani Finserv, Brookfield Capital, Yes Bank, Indusind International Holdings, Piramal Consortium are amongst the 54 bidders who have made it to the final eligible list of prospective resolution applicants for Reliance Capital. The list was released by the RBI appointed Administrator of Reliance Capital. "...the Administrator is required to issue a final list of eligible PRAs within 10 (ten) days from the date of receipt of objections, to the Committee of Creditors," Reliance Capital said in a stock exchange filing. Nageswara Rao, the Administrator of Reliance Capital, had on April 4 released the provisional list of prospective resolution applicants and had sought objections, if any, by April 9. Others in the final PRA list include Authum Investment Infrastructure, Bandhan Financial Holdings, TPG Asia and Truenorth Fund.
<https://www.thehindubusinessline.com/money-and-banking/reliance-capital-resolution-final-list-of-prospective-resolution-applicants-released/article65337652.ece>
- **Gold prices just right for loan business, says Muthoot Finance Chairman:** Gold prices have been almost steady over the past couple of years and is good for any business, including gold loan companies, says George Jacob Muthoot, Chairman of Muthoot Finance, a leading player in the segment. "It may be true that in recent quarterly analysis, gold price has seen fluctuations. But overall, if you observe the last one or two years, we find the gold price trajectory steadily going up. It has not fallen," he told BusinessLine.
<https://www.thehindubusinessline.com/news/gold-prices-just-right-for-loan-business-says-muthoot-finance-chairman/article65337669.ece>
- **Flow of money into NRI deposits till February moderates sharply, shows data:** The flow of money into deposits of non-resident Indians (NRIs) moderated to \$2.3 billion during April 2021-February 2022 from \$8.88 billion in the year-ago period. The outstanding deposits were down to \$139.58 billion at the end of February 2022 compared with \$142.35 billion a year ago, according to the Reserve Bank of India data. The foreign currency or FCNR deposits saw the maximum contraction. They declined from \$22.09 billion in February 2021 to \$17.29 billion in February 2022. The money in rupee-denominated



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NRE deposits remained constant around \$101 billion in February 2022 compared with a year ago. In contrast, the money into non-resident ordinary accounts rose from \$18.46 billion in February 2021 to \$21.17 billion in February 2022.

https://www.business-standard.com/article/finance/flow-of-money-into-nri-deposits-till-february-moderates-sharply-shows-data-122042000062_1.html

- **Small finance banks: Banking on digital tech to stay ahead of curve:** One of the biggest challenges for small finance banks (SFBs) from a tech point of view is the lack of an automation process and the corresponding need for manual intervention. This makes the deployment of an integrated engagement platform vital to such entities. Such a solution breaks down organisational silos, allowing for a centralised view of customer profiles and sounder communication across channels. It also helps in easier collection of EMIs and installments from micro banking and retail loanees. This is why Ujjivan Small Finance Bank went for digital onboarding of customers, tying up with MoEngage for the purpose. But the change wasn't easy since most of its customers came from unserved and underserved segments, with some living in remote areas. So, the bank partnered with a few names in the telecom space whose outlets could be used by customers to repay their loans, with the same being reflected in their accounts in real-time.
<https://www.financialexpress.com/industry/banking-finance/small-finance-banks-banking-on-digital-tech-to-stay-ahead-of-curve/2496962/>
- **Making shadow lenders more accountable: RBI makes disclosure of exposures must for NBFCs:** Non-banking financial companies (NBFCs) must report their real estate exposures and exposures to the capital markets and group companies, Reserve Bank of India (RBI) said on Tuesday, putting out specific disclosure norms for these intermediaries. The regulator also laid down a large exposures framework (LEF) for upper layer NBFCs and infrastructure finance companies. All categories of NBFCs will have to make specific disclosures in their annual financial statements with respect to their direct and indirect exposure to the real estate sector, including securitised exposures, as well as details of their capital market exposures. They will also be required to report their sector-wise outstandings in a format similar to one that is currently applied to banks.
<https://www.financialexpress.com/industry/banking-finance/making-shadow-lenders-more-accountable-rbi-makes-disclosure-of-exposures-must-for-nbfc/2497003/>
- **Sensex up by 574 points, Nifty above 17,100, snapping five-day losing streak:** The BSE Sensex closed at 57,037.50, up 574.35 points or 1.02 per cent. It recorded an intraday high of 57,216.51 and a low of 56,521.33. The Nifty 50 closed at 17,136.55, up 177.90 points or 1.05 per cent. It recorded an intraday high of 17,186.90 and a low of 16,978.95. BPCL, Tata Motors, Shree Cement, Eicher Motor and Maruti were the top gainers on the Nifty 50 while Bajaj Finance, Bajaj Finserv, ICICI Bank, JSW Steel and L&T were the top losers.
<https://www.thehindubusinessline.com/markets/sensex-up-by-574-nifty-above-17100-snapping-five-day-losing-streak/article65338273.ece>



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- **Rupee gains 29 paise to close at 76.21 against US dollar:** The rupee appreciated 29 paise to settle at 76.21 (provisional) against the US dollar on Wednesday, tracking positive domestic equities and some moderation in crude oil prices. At the interbank forex market, the domestic unit opened at 76.41 against the US dollar and touched an intra-day high of 76.16 and finally closed at 76.21, registering a rise of 29 paise over its previous close.

<https://www.thehindubusinessline.com/markets/forex/rupee-gains-29-paise-to-close-at-7621-against-us-dollar/article65338772.ece#:~:text=The%20domestic%20currency%20traded%20firm,moderation%20in%20crude%20oil%20prices.>

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