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## RBI BULLETIN HIGHLIGHTS GROWTH, FINTECH, AND UPI ADOPTION

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI), in its September 2025 Bulletin released on 24 September, highlighted the Indian economy's resilience amid global uncertainties. The economy recorded a five-quarter high growth in Q1 FY25-26, driven by strong domestic factors. While global concerns persisted due to US trade tariffs and fiscal pressures in advanced economies, India continued to benefit from domestic reforms. Consumer inflation rose slightly but remained below the target for the seventh consecutive month. The RBI's bulletin also emphasized India's economic resilience, rapid fintech expansion, and the widespread uptake of UPI payments as pivotal strengths.



## ECONOMY



### OECD RAISES INDIA'S 2025 GDP FORECAST TO 6.7%

In an upward revision, the OECD has boosted its 2025 GDP growth estimate for India to 6.7%, crediting strong domestic demand, ongoing GST reforms, fiscal policy easing, and heightened public investments. While potential risks from US export tariffs exist, the forecast underscores the buffering role of resilient consumer spending in maintaining economic momentum.

## FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT (FDI) INFLOWS REACH 38-MONTH HIGH

Net FDI inflows hit a peak of \$5 billion in July, pushing the April-July 2025 total to \$10.75 billion. Key sectors like manufacturing, communications, and business services attracted significant foreign capital, signaling investor confidence and contributing to job creation and technological advancements.

## DEFENCE MINISTRY INKS ₹62,370 CRORE DEAL WITH HAL FOR 97 TEJAS FIGHTER JETS

In a landmark push for indigenous defence production, the Ministry of Defence signed a ₹62,370 crore contract with Hindustan Aeronautics Limited for 97 Tejas Mk-1A aircraft, including 68 single-seaters and 29 twin-seaters. Deliveries starting in 2027-28 will span six years, building on a prior 2021 deal and strengthening India's self-reliance in aerospace manufacturing.

## CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) INFLATION REMAINS BELOW TARGET FOR 7TH MONTH

August marked the seventh consecutive month where CPI inflation stayed under the 4% target, thanks to stable food prices and controlled core inflation. This low-inflation environment is fostering sustained consumer confidence and demand, which in turn supports broader economic stability and growth.



## INDIA CROSSES 100,000 ELECTRIC VEHICLE SALES IN FY25

The electric vehicle sector achieved a significant milestone by surpassing 100,000 units sold in FY25, fueled by contributions from major automakers. This surge reflects accelerating consumer adoption, government incentives, and infrastructure development, positioning EVs as a key driver for green mobility and industrial growth.

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## BUSIEST SEPTEMBER FOR IPOS IN NEARLY 30 YEARS

September 2025 is on track for 25 IPOs raising over \$1.5 billion, the most active month since 1996. Buoyed by vibrant stock markets and foreign investments, this flurry of listings reflects high investor optimism and provides businesses with capital for expansion.

## JINDAL STAINLESS COMMITS RS 700 CRORE TO DECARBONIZATION EFFORTS

Jindal Stainless has allocated Rs 700 crore toward green initiatives, including solar power adoption, resulting in a reduction of over 3.18 lakh metric tonnes of CO2 emissions in FY25. This move aligns with India's sustainability goals, enhancing the company's competitiveness while promoting eco-friendly practices in the steel industry.

## FLASH PMIS SHOW COOLING ECONOMIC ACTIVITY POST-US TARIFFS

HSBC's preliminary PMI data for September revealed a slowdown in economic activity following the imposition of 50% US tariffs by President Trump. Softer demand has led to reduced new orders, signaling potential short-term pressures on private sector expansion.



## INDIA'S CURRENT ACCOUNT DEFICIT MODERATES ON SERVICES AND REMITTANCES

The current account deficit narrowed in Q1 FY26, thanks to booming services exports and steady remittance inflows from abroad. This improvement is projected to keep the deficit stable and low throughout the year, easing pressure on the rupee and supporting overall balance of payments.

## PRIVATE SECTOR GROWTH MODERATES FROM AUGUST HIGHS

According to S&P Global's PMI, India's private sector output stayed strong in September but dipped from August's multi-year highs. Tempered demand has influenced hiring and business confidence, highlighting the need for adaptive strategies amid external trade challenges.

## GOVERNMENT EXPECTS ₹1 TRILLION INVESTMENT IN FOOD PROCESSING AT WORLD FOOD INDIA 2025

The World Food India event garnered MoUs worth ₹75,000 crore from giants like Reliance, Coca-Cola, and Amul, with projections for total investments surpassing ₹1 trillion. These commitments are set to elevate the food processing sector's GDP contribution, creating jobs and enhancing agricultural value chains.



## ₹8,200 CRORE FUND TO SUPPORT BROWNFIELD SHIPYARD PROJECTS

The Shipping Ministry is dedicating 25% of its ₹8,200 crore maritime development fund to brownfield expansions, complemented by cluster initiatives and credit facilities. This strategy aims to upgrade existing shipyards, boost export capabilities, and foster competitiveness in the global maritime industry.

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