



MARKET MOVEMENT

Major Indices	January 19, 2017	January 26, 2017	% Change	Change
BSE Sensex	35,511.58	36,050.44	1.5	
NSE Nifty	10,894.70	11,069.65	1.6	

INDIAN ECONOMY AT A GLANCE**POLICY WATCH**

- Japan provides loan of USD 398 million for Bengaluru water project
- Government inaugrate projects worth USD 1 billion in Uttar Pradesh
- Centre approves to connect Guwahati and Barauni by a gas pipeline
- Government announces details of bank recap and comprehensive reform plan
- NHIDCL signs MoU with IL&FS for construction of Zojila tunnel

Japan provides loan of USD 398 million for Bengaluru water project

Japan has committed Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) Official Development Assistance loan for an amount of USD 398 million for Bengaluru Water Supply and Sewerage Project (Phase 3). project will provide residents of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagar Palike (BBMP) area, especially in 110 villages, with safe and stable water supply and sewerage services by carrying out construction of water treatment plant and sewage treatment plants.

Government inaugrate projects worth USD 1 billion in Uttar Pradesh

Government has inaugurated several projects in Uttar Pradesh totalling USD 1 billion. These include seven National Highway (NH) projects having total length of 246 km, widening and strengthening of 26.9 km Urka-Ramnagar section and 33 km long Siswa Babu to Kaptanganj section of NH 730 in Maharajganj, widening and strengthening 21.12 km long Ramnagar-Siswa Babu section of NH 730, widening and strengthening of 65.38 km long Ghazipur-Mau section of

NH 29 at a cost of USD 550.7 million and intermodal terminal on national waterways -I (river Ganga) at Ghazipur.

Centre approves to connect Guwahati and Barauni by a gas pipeline

Centre has in principle agreed to connect gas pipeline from Barauni in Bihar to Guwahati in Assam. Pipeline will be connected with national grid. Also, government has notified 160 kilometre long industrial corridor near Guwahati to encourage industrial activity. Around 6000 acres of ready to use land is available in the land bank.

Government announces details of bank recap and comprehensive reform plan

Government has disclosed details of the re-capitalisation of Public Sector Banks (PSBs) announced in last year. Capital infusion plan for 2017-18 includes USD 12.3 billion through Recap Bonds and USD 1.25 billion as budgetary support. Plan addresses regulatory capital requirement of all PSBs and provides a significant amount towards growth capital for increasing lending to the economy.

NHIDCL signs MoU with IL&FS for construction of Zojila tunnel

National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation (NHIDCL) has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with IL&FS Transportation Networks Ltd for construction of the 14,150 km long, 2-lane bi-directional Zojila Tunnel in Jammu & Kashmir. This would be India's longest road tunnel and the longest bi-directional tunnel in Asia. Construction of tunnel will provide all weather connectivity between Srinagar, Kargil and Leh.

INDUSTRY WATCH

- Japanese investment rises to USD 4,709 million in FY17
- Software/services exports rise to USD 111 billion
- Pharma companies get 300 USFDA generic drug approvals in 2017
- Major airlines receives Udan 2 bandwagon
- Environment ministry restricts use of imported petcoke in Delhi region

Japanese investment rises to USD 4,709 million in FY17

Japanese investments into India have risen to USD 4,709 million in FY2017 compared to USD 84.74 million in the fiscal 2006-07. There are about 1,309 Japanese companies in India and number is growing steadily. growth potential lies with the sectors like textile, infrastructure and medical in India.

Software/services exports rise to USD 111 billion

Computer software/services and IT enabled services (ITeS) has grown by 3.83% to USD 111 billion during 2016-17 compared to USD 107 billion in 2015-16. Major destinations were US and UK with 57% and 18% share respectively.

Pharma companies get 300 USFDA generic drug approvals in 2017

Domestic pharma companies received more than 300 approvals in 2017 to launch generic drugs in the US. Final approvals for Indian players rises 43% from 211 in 2016. Zydus leads with 66 approvals in 2017, followed by Aurobindo (52), Glenmark (18), Lupin (17), Gland Pharma (16) and Cipla (10). Increase in competition and consolidation of distribution channels have led to the US generics business getting commoditised.

Major airlines receives Udan 2 bandwagon

Major scheduled airlines won 41 out of 67 bids in the second round of bidding for the regional connectivity scheme. Fifteen operators will operate on 502 routes and connect 70 airports and heliports, most of which are not well connected by airlines now. Operators include IndiGo, SpiceJet, Jet Airways, Alliance Air and Pawan Hans.

Environment ministry restricts use of imported petcoke in Delhi region

Environment ministry has restricted the use of imported petroleum coke in capital Delhi and its surrounding region to minimize air pollution. India imports over half its annual petcoke consumption of about 27 million tonnes, mainly from the United States. Local producers include Indian Oil Corp, Reliance Industries and Bharat Petroleum Corp. Only allowed and registered industrial units of NCR States shall be permitted to directly import pet coke and consignment shall be in the name of user industrial units for their own use

CORPORATE HIGHLIGHTS

- **Carlsberg India sets up new brewery in Karnataka**
- **Grasim Industries gets approval for USD 393.8 million expansion project**
- **Wipro invests USD 9.9 million in US firm**
- **Eveready forms JV with Indonesia's Universal Wellbeing**
- **Facebook acquires biometric ID verification startup 'Confirm'**

Carlsberg India sets up new brewery in Karnataka

Carlsberg India Pvt. Ltd has set up a new brewery in Nanjangud taluk near Mysuru with an annual capacity of 80 million litres. Brewery is spread over 27.1 acres and will manufacture all brands in Carlsberg India's existing product portfolio. Karnataka is the largest market for overall liquor consumption in the country, both in terms of volume and value.

Grasim Industries gets approval for USD 393.8 million expansion project

Grasim Industries has received approval for expanding the production of man-made fibre VSF at Bharuch, Gujarat that would entail an investment of USD 393.8 million. Company has proposed to expand the production capacity of Sulphuric Acid from 102,300 tonnes per annum (tpa) to 182,500 tpa, Carbon Di-Sulphide from 23,725 tpa to 34,675 tpa and captive power plant capacity from 25 MW to 55 mw and to increase the production capacity of Viscose Staple Fibre (VSF) from 127,750 tonne per annum (tpa) to 255,500 tpa. It will also set up a production facility of Solvent Spun Cellulosic Fibre with a capacity of 36,500 tpa.

Wipro invests USD 9.9 million in US firm

Wipro has invested USD 9.9 million digital marketing company Harte Hanks to get a 16% stake. Under this deal, both companies will expand their existing partnership to offer end-to-end marketing technology services. They will jointly market a big data analytics and machine learning platform, Opera Solutions Signal Hub.

Eveready forms JV with Indonesia's Universal Wellbeing

Eveready Industries India Ltd (EIIL) has entered into a Joint Venture (JV) with Universal Wellbeing Pte Ltd, to engage in the business of manufacturing, importing and marketing of Fast Moving Consumer Goods (FMCG) in India. EIIL will acquire 30% shares in the JV company to be newly incorporated for the same and balance 70% will be acquired by Universal Wellbeing Pte Ltd.

Facebook acquires biometric ID verification startup 'Confirm'

Facebook has acquired a biometric ID verification startup named Confirm that specialises in remotely verifying IDs like drivers licenses. Startup offers an application programming interface (API) that helps verify government-issued identification cards.