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Today's Financial Newsletter

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From the Desk of Dr. Aditya Vijay Kashyap

Top 25 Financial and Business Headlines

(Sourced from The Economic Times, Business Standard, The Hindu Businessline, and other renowned financial publications)

1. **Sensex and Nifty** witness cautious trading as investors book profits following recent record highs; market consolidation expected.
2. **Q2 GDP Growth** of 8.2% continues to buoy market sentiment, driven largely by manufacturing and services sector resilience.
3. **RBI MPC Rate Cut** expectations diminish following strong GDP data, suggesting the economy may not require immediate monetary stimulus.
4. **Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs)** continue to show volatile movement, with recent outflows recorded amidst high Indian market valuations.
5. **Domestic Institutional Investors (DIIs)** remain net buyers, providing a crucial liquidity cushion to the equity markets.
6. **Rupee Weakens** against the US Dollar, raising concerns over import costs and persistent FII outflows.
7. **Sovereign Gold Bond (SGB)** schemes show strong returns, with some series yielding over 300% on initial investments over their tenure.
8. **Gold Imports** drive the Current Account Deficit (CAD) to 1.3% of GDP in Q2 FY26, despite strong services exports.

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9. **India-US Trade Discussions** scheduled for mid-December as a U.S. delegation visits India to deliberate on tariffs and bilateral trade issues.
10. **IndiGo Flight Cancellations** and disruptions lead to DGCA scrutiny, with the airline addressing refund issues on priority.
11. **Air India and AI Express** look to increase capacity to capitalize on competitor disruptions in the domestic aviation sector.
12. **Fino Payments Bank** receives RBI nod to transition to a Small Finance Bank (SFB), boosting its lending capabilities.
13. **Simplification of Customs** flagged as the next major reform push by the Finance Minister to improve ease of doing business.
14. **India-Russia Trade** sees continued efforts to enhance transactions in national currencies, bypassing third-party dollar dependency.
15. **JFE Steel Corporation** to acquire a 50% stake in Bhushan Power & Steel for ₹15,750 crore, marking a major M&A in the metals sector.
16. **BlackRock** highlights India's equity valuations remain above emerging-market peers, supported by robust corporate earnings growth.
17. **IT Sector Stocks** show resilience, with technology firms focusing on AI-driven productivity amidst global copyright and regulation battles (e.g., Perplexity AI).
18. **Mid-Cap and Small-Cap Segments** continue to see selective action; however, some analysts flag the Smallcap segment as over-valued.
19. **Bank Nifty** shows potential for resilience due to valuation comfort and a pickup in credit growth, despite recent sectoral corrections.
20. **Biocon** announces a major restructuring, including the merger of its biologics unit and stake acquisition from Serum and Mylan.

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21. **New Labour Codes** review highlights the potential impact on jobs and compliance requirements for Indian corporations.
22. **NPS and UPS Government Subscribers** receive new investment choices, offering greater flexibility in retirement planning.
23. **Home Loan EMIs** likely to fall for some PSU bank borrowers, offering relief to retail consumers.
24. **Adani and Hindalco** reportedly seek copper assets in Peru as global demand for the metal surges.
25. **UPI Acceptability** expands globally, with India in talks with eight more nations for integration of its digital payment system.

Final Views — From the Desk of Dr. Aditya Vijay Kashyap

The Indian market is currently performing a delicate balancing act, exhibiting signs of **consolidation** following the strong momentum driven by the impressive Q2 GDP numbers. The core message from the current economic landscape is one of **structural resilience** underpinned by domestic demand, even as global headwinds—such as FII outflows and rupee volatility—create short-term choppiness.

The receding expectation of an immediate RBI rate cut is a testament to the economy's underlying strength; the focus remains on **calibrated policy action** rather than emergency stimulus. For investors, the volatility presents an opportunity, not a threat.

Key Strategic Focus Areas:

- **Financials (Banks):** The segment, particularly certain private banks, offers **valuation comfort** and is poised for growth given the consistent pick-up in credit demand. We advise a selective, long-term approach here.

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- **Infrastructure & Manufacturing:** The continued momentum in GDP growth suggests strong tailwinds for sectors linked to the domestic investment cycle, infrastructure, and core manufacturing.
- **Quality over Momentum:** As smaller caps show signs of overheating, investors must prioritize **high-quality companies** with robust cash flows, clean balance sheets, and proven governance. Avoid chasing short-term momentum in over-leveraged credits.

In a market navigating "headline risk," maintaining a **disciplined, balanced allocation** with sufficient liquidity buffers will be the hallmark of a successful strategy. Use market corrections to rebalance towards long-term, fundamentally sound positions.

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