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### FINANCIAL MARKETS & ECONOMY — DAILY NEWSLETTER

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#### TOP 25 FINANCIAL NEWS HEADLINES

1. Wall Street closes higher fuelled by soft U.S. inflation data and tech rally.
2. Dollar weakens against major currencies after CPI data.
3. European shares gain as ECB holds rates steady.
4. ECB signals confidence in euro zone resilience.
5. NYSE and Nasdaq to remain open on 24 & 26 December.
6. MUFG to invest \$4.45 billion for 20% stake in Shriram Finance.
7. Shriram Finance shares rise on strategic investment buzz.
8. Bharti Airtel appoints Soumen Ray as Group CFO.
9. Airtel board approves final call on partly paid shares.
10. EU leaders discuss use of frozen Russian assets.
11. Belgium raises concerns over EU asset seizure plans.
12. Markets bet on rate cuts in 2026.
13. Global stocks edge higher on inflation relief.
14. Wall Street futures steady ahead of macro data.
15. Asian markets mixed ahead of policy cues.
16. Global banks face legal scrutiny in forex cases.
17. Investment funds face shortage of accredited investors.
18. Indian financial sector attracts strong foreign inflows.
19. Banking stocks trade mixed in India.
20. RBI injects liquidity via open market operations.
21. Geopolitical risks impact global banking sector.
22. European equities supported by rate pause.
23. Yen remains under pressure despite BOJ action.
24. Global equities gain on tech sector strength.
25. Investors stay cautious amid geopolitical uncertainty.

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Global markets are entering the year-end phase with cautious optimism. Softer inflation data from the U.S. has revived hopes of monetary easing in 2026, supporting equity markets globally. India continues to remain a bright spot, attracting long-term foreign capital, particularly in financial services and telecom.

However, geopolitical developments, currency volatility, and policy divergence among central banks warrant a balanced investment approach. Strategic asset allocation and strong risk management remain key for sustainable returns.



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