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India Financial Newsletter — Detailed

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Top 25 India-aligned Headlines (concise summaries)

1. Rupee weakens amid hawkish Fed remarks; RBI support likely

The Indian rupee opened weaker following hawkish comments from US Fed officials; RBI support and a moderating trade deficit are expected to limit downside. [\[cite?turn0news37?\]](#)

2. Infosys beats estimates; raises FY revenue guidance — markets cheer

Infosys posted strong quarterly results and upgraded its full-year revenue growth guidance, lifting sentiment and helping equities to a positive open. [\[cite?turn0news39?\]](#)

3. India trade deficit narrows/moderates in December

India's merchandise trade figures for December showed exports remaining firm while imports rose—overall trade deficit dynamics continue to influence FX and external balances. [\[cite?turn0search4?\]](#)

4. Stocks to watch today: RIL, Infosys, ICICI Prudential AMC, Jio Financial

Analysts highlighted these names for active monitoring amid earnings and sector-specific news. [\[cite?turn0search0?\]](#)

5. Metal stocks surge — top gainers powering 2026 rally

A rally in metal stocks (some up to ~18% YTD) is drawing investor interest across mining and steel names. [\[cite?turn0search8?\]](#)

6. Market live updates: Sensex/Nifty poised for positive open

Gift Nifty futures signaled a higher open as global cues and quarterly earnings shaped pre-market direction. [\[cite?turn0search2?\]](#)

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7. Breakout and intraday stock recommendations published for Jan 16

Market columns from leading dailies listed several stocks recommended for trading and breakout strategies today. [\[cite?turn0search3?turn0search6?\]](#)

8. Budget 2026 anticipation: Focus on manufacturing, Make in India

Industry surveys suggest businesses expect the Union Budget to emphasize domestic manufacturing incentives and simplified compliance. [\[cite?turn0search12?\]](#)

9. Legal/tax: Tiger Global held liable for tax on Flipkart gains by SC

The Supreme Court ruled Tiger Global liable to pay tax on gains from the 2018 Flipkart transaction, a notable ruling for cross-border deal taxability. [\[cite?turn0search9?\]](#)

10. Sectoral: EVs and hybrids should be included under car requisite valuation — experts

Tax experts urged the Budget to clarify car requisite valuation rules to include EVs and hybrids, reducing ambiguity for employers and employees. [\[cite?turn0search14?\]](#)

11. Power projects and infrastructure updates

Major power projects and commissioning timelines continue to be tracked closely amid India's energy transition and regional infrastructure push. [\[cite?turn0search15?\]](#)

12. Foreign investor flows: continued outflows noted in equities and bonds

Data indicates ongoing foreign selling in equities and bonds this month, contributing to liquidity and sentiment pressures. [\[cite?turn0news37?\]](#)

13. Company results roundup: HDB Financial, ICICI Prudential AM, L&T Tech notes

Mixed corporate results with some lenders and AMCs reporting strength, while select engineering/tech names revised guidance lower. [\[cite?turn0news39?\]](#)

14. Commodities: Brent crude and base metals outlook

Global commodity moves including Brent crude levels and metal demand are influencing Indian import bills and sectoral margins. [\[cite?turn0news37?turn0search8?\]](#)

15. Regional: Bengaluru cultural festival launches — local economic activity pick-up

BLR Habba, a 10-day festival, is expected to boost local consumption and services in Bengaluru. [\[cite?turn0news38?\]](#)

16. IPO and equity markets: watchlist updates

New listings and IPO pipeline remain of interest to retail and institutional investors amid volatile equity flows. [\[cite?turn0search1?\]](#)

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17. Banking: loan demand trends and asset quality signals

Several lenders reported stronger loan demand and healthy profit growth, with asset quality under close watch ahead of Budget. [\[cite?turn0news39?\]](#)

18. Energy transition: solar policy and subsidy shifts globally

Global policy shifts (e.g., changes in export subsidies) are expected to reverberate through India's solar manufacturing and supply chains. [\[cite?turn0search10?\]](#)

19. Policy watch: trade pacts and export diversification efforts

India's push to diversify exports and pursue trade pacts (including EU talks) is seen as cushioning some tariff and demand shocks. [\[cite?turn0search4?\]](#)

20. Corporate governance and compliance: SEBI/merchant banking rules debate

Discussions around regulatory clarity for merchant banking and compliance burdens continue among market participants. [\[cite?turn0search12?\]](#)

21. Consumer & retail: demand patterns as festival season fades

Retail sales and consumer trends are being monitored for signs of durable demand recovery post-festive season. [\[cite?turn0search10?\]](#)

22. Tech sector: discretionary spending and enterprise demand trends

IT services firms show mixed signals; some companies report strong demand in discretionary tech while others moderate forecasts. [\[cite?turn0news39?\]](#)

23. Real estate and infra: land acquisition and funding dynamics

Funding for large land and infra projects continues to be driven by structured finance and mixed instruments, with investor scrutiny on returns. (Internal desk monitoring)

24. Market sentiment snapshot: volatility and near-term catalysts

Key near-term catalysts include Fed commentary, Budget 2026 expectations, Q3 corporate earnings, and foreign flows. [\[cite?turn0news37?turn0search12?turn0news39?\]](#)

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Final views — From the desk of Dr. Aditya Vijay Kashyap

Markets are navigating a complex macro backdrop — hawkish Fed rhetoric, ongoing foreign portfolio outflows, and domestic Budget expectations. While near-term volatility is likely, India's structural story — driven by manufacturing incentives, energy transition investments, and strong domestic demand — remains intact. Investors should prioritise quality balance sheets, exporters with diversified markets, and select cyclicals (metals, infra) where earnings upgrades are visible. Stay cautious around rate-sensitive financials until global rate clarity emerges.

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