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Prepared with a strategic focus on India's economic positioning aligned with global financial developments. This edition captures the top 25 important financial, geopolitical, corporate, commodity, and investment-related developments impacting markets and business sentiment worldwide.

1. Indian Markets Remain Volatile Amid Global Geopolitical Tensions

Indian equities witnessed volatility as geopolitical tensions in West Asia impacted investor sentiment. Despite corrections in banking and PSU stocks, the Nifty managed to close the week in positive territory due to cooling oil prices and resilient domestic participation.

2. Fairfax India Raises Stake in IIFL Capital

Fairfax India announced plans to increase its holding in IIFL Capital Services to 51% through a significant investment, reflecting confidence in India's financial services sector and capital market growth.

3. India's New 10-Year Bond Likely Above 7% Coupon

India is expected to issue its new benchmark 10-year government bond with a coupon above 7%, indicating elevated borrowing costs amid inflationary and geopolitical pressures.

4. Moody's Calls India One of the Most Resilient Emerging Economies

Moody's highlighted India's policy reforms, strong reserves, and domestic demand as key reasons why the country remains among the strongest emerging markets globally.

5. FII Selling Continues to Pressure Indian Equities

Foreign Institutional Investors continue to remain cautious on emerging markets, resulting in intermittent selling pressure across Indian equities.

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6. Infrastructure Sector Emerges as Strong Medium-Term Bet

Market experts continue to highlight infrastructure and capital expenditure-linked sectors as major beneficiaries of India's long-term growth cycle.

7. Global Oil Prices Stay Highly Sensitive to Iran Situation

Crude oil prices remained volatile as markets tracked developments around Iran and the Strait of Hormuz, impacting inflation expectations globally.

8. AI-Driven Cybersecurity Risks Rise Globally

The IMF warned that artificial intelligence is increasing systemic cyber risks for global financial institutions and markets.

9. Rupee Records One of Its Weakest Fiscal Performances

The Indian rupee witnessed significant depreciation against the US Dollar due to oil price pressures and foreign fund outflows.

10. India-US Trade and Investment Relations Deepen

India's strategic economic engagement with the United States continues to strengthen with growing trade and investment commitments.

11. Asian Economies Restructure Crude Import Mix

Geopolitical developments are reshaping oil sourcing strategies across Asia, with India increasing diversification of energy imports.

12. Global Equity Markets Hit Record Highs Despite Risks

US and Japanese stock markets touched record highs on optimism around AI-driven growth and easing inflationary concerns.

13. Gold and Silver Continue Safe-Haven Rally

Precious metals remained strong as investors globally sought hedges against inflation and geopolitical uncertainty.

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14. China Extends Gold Purchases for 18th Consecutive Month

China's central bank continues aggressive gold accumulation, reinforcing long-term confidence in bullion markets.

15. India's Domestic Consumption Story Remains Strong

Analysts continue to view India's consumption-driven economy as a long-term structural growth engine.

16. Corporate India Focuses on Digital Transformation

Indian companies continue increasing investments in artificial intelligence, automation, fintech, and digital ecosystems.

17. Indian Banking Sector Faces Margin Pressure

Rising interest costs and slower credit growth are creating temporary margin pressures within the banking sector.

18. Renewable Energy Investments Accelerate

India and global investors continue to push aggressively into renewable energy and green hydrogen projects.

19. Supply Chain Diversification Benefits India

Global corporations continue exploring India as a manufacturing and supply chain diversification hub.

20. Middle East Conflict Impacts Commodity Markets

Global commodity markets remain highly reactive to geopolitical developments in West Asia.

21. India's Startup Ecosystem Continues Global Expansion

Indian startups are increasingly attracting international capital despite tighter global liquidity conditions.

22. Technology and Semiconductor Rally Drives US Markets

AI and semiconductor companies continue leading gains across Wall Street indices.

23. Central Banks Remain Cautious on Interest Rates

Global central banks continue balancing inflation concerns with economic growth slowdown risks.

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24. Private Equity and Sovereign Funds Eye India

Large sovereign wealth funds and global private equity firms continue increasing India exposure.

25. Long-Term India Growth Story Remains Intact

Despite short-term geopolitical and market volatility, India's long-term structural growth trajectory remains positive due to reforms, demographics, and infrastructure development.

Final Views From the Desk of Dr Aditya Vijay Kashyap

The current global economic environment reflects a period of transformation where geopolitics, energy security, artificial intelligence, and capital flows are reshaping financial markets worldwide. India stands at a unique advantage due to its demographic strength, policy stability, digital infrastructure, and rising global strategic relevance. While short-term volatility may continue due to global tensions and commodity price fluctuations, long-term opportunities remain exceptionally strong in infrastructure, technology, manufacturing, financial services, renewable energy, and innovation-led sectors. Investors and businesses should focus on disciplined expansion, strategic partnerships, and sustainable growth models while maintaining a balanced approach toward risk management in an evolving global environment.

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