

TOP GAINERS	
%	POINTS
+3.16	Infosys 1856.60
+2.97	TCS 4154.00
+2.28	Tech Mahindra 1677.65
+1.78	Sun Pharma 1793.15
+1.63	Bajaj Finserv 1743.45
+1.43	HCL Tech 1827.40
+1.43	Bajaj Finance 7391.50
+1.42	HDFC Bank 1665.05
+1.27	IndusInd Bank 972.50
+1.25	Kotak Bank 1917.15

Sensex jumps 567 pts

Nifty ends above 23,150 on recovery in IT, banking shares

WITH AGENCY INPUTS, MUMBAI

Benchmark Sensex rebounded nearly 567 points and Nifty regained 23,150 level on Wednesday following value buying in IT and banking shares and firm global trends.

The 30-share BSE Sensex surged 566.63 points or 0.75 per cent to close at 76,404.99, driven by gains in Infosys, TCS and HDFC Bank. During the day, the benchmark surged 624.77 points or 0.82 per cent to hit an intraday high of 76,463.13.

The broader NSE Nifty climbed 130.70 points or 0.57 per cent to settle at 23,155.35. In the intraday session, the

Sensex at **76,404.99**
Nifty closes at **23,155.35**

“The benchmark indices rebounded amidst heightened volatility following better-than-expected results from a major private bank. The IT sector led gains, recovering from recent losses, while mid and small-cap stocks continued to underperform due to valuation concerns.”

Vinod Nair, Head, Geojit Financial Services

Nifty rose 144.9 points or 0.63 per cent to 23,169.55 on the NSE.

ADOPTING SWISS SAFETY MEASURES!



Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw during a meeting with Swiss Federal Railways (SBB) delegation, in Switzerland, on Wednesday. The minister held a detailed discussion on safety technologies and maintenance practices. He also visited rail coach manufacturing facilities in Switzerland.

HDFC Bank Q3 net profit rises 2% to ₹16,736 crore

NII up 7.7%; total deposits were ₹25.6 trn as of December 31, 2024

OUR CORRESPONDENT WITH AGENCY INPUTS, MUMBAI

HDFC Bank, the largest private sector lender in the country, reported a 2.2 per cent increase in net profit to Rs 16,735.50 crore for the quarter ended December 2024.

Net interest income—the difference between interest earned and interest expended—increased by 7.7 per cent year-on-year to Rs 30,650 crore, while

other income remained almost flat at Rs 11,450 crore. Mark-to-market gains on investments fell to Rs 70 crore, compared to Rs 1,470 crore during the same period last year. The net interest margin stood at 3.43 per cent for the third quarter of the financial year.

Provisions and contingencies declined to Rs 3,150 crore from Rs 4,220 crore in the same period last year.

Asset quality deteriorated, with gross non-performing assets (NPAs) rising to Rs 36,019 crore from Rs 34,251 crore in the previous quarter and Rs 31,012 crore during the same period last year. The gross NPA ratio stood at 1.42 per cent at



the end of December 2024, compared to 1.36 per cent at the end of September 2024 and 1.26 per cent a year ago.

The net NPA ratio also increased to 0.46 per cent, up from 0.41 per cent in September 2024 and 0.31 per cent in the year-ago period.

Gross advances stood at Rs

25.4 trillion as of December 31, 2024, a rise of 3.0 per cent over December 31, 2023. Retail loans grew by 10.0 per cent, commercial and rural banking loans increased by 11.6 per cent, while corporate and other wholesale loans declined by 10.4 per cent.

Total deposits were Rs 25.6 trillion as of December 31, 2024, marking a 15.8 per cent increase over December 31, 2023.

Current account and savings account (Casa) deposits grew by 4.4 per cent, with savings account deposits at Rs 6.05 trillion and current account deposits at Rs 2.6 trillion.

Casa deposits comprised 34.0 per cent of total deposits as of December 31, 2024.

CtrlS to invest ₹10,000 cr in AI Datacentre cluster in Hyd

HYDERABAD

Asia's leading data centre provider CtrlS Datacenters Limited will invest Rs 10,000 crore to set up an Artificial Intelligence (AI) datacentre cluster in Hyderabad.

The company signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Telangana government in this regard during the ongoing World Economic Forum (WEF) in Davos, Switzerland.

According to the Chief Minister's Office, the data centre cluster will come up with a capacity of 400 MW. The facility is expected to generate direct and indirect employment for 3,600 people and contribute significantly to the state's economy through incremental tax revenues.

This agreement demonstrates Telangana's commitment to fostering innovation, driving investments, and positioning the state as a leading digital infrastructure hub, it said. Jayesh Ranjan, Special Chief Secretary, Information and Commerce and IT Departments, said the partnership highlights Telangana's proactive approach to supporting large-scale investments in the IT sector.

“With our investor-friendly policies, such as the Data Center Policy and TG-iPASS framework, we are confident in the seamless execution of this landmark project,” he said. Sridhar Pinnapureddy, Founder and CEO, CtrlS Datacenters Limited, said that the AI Datacenter Cluster will set new benchmarks in inno-

“This collaboration with CtrlS is a significant milestone in our journey to establish Telangana as a global leader in digital infrastructure and technology. The AI centre cluster will not only enhance the state's IT capabilities but also create substantial employment opportunities, contributing to our vision of inclusive growth.”

D Sridhar Babu, Minister for IT and Industry

vation, sustainability, and digital infrastructure.

Meanwhile, Minister Sridhar Babu posted on the social media platform 'X' that he had a fruitful discussion with Andrew Byrne, Vice President, Uber, on their expansion plans in Telangana. IANS

HUL Q3 PAT rises 19.9% to ₹2,984 cr

Mumbai: Hindustan Unilever (HUL), one of India's largest fast-moving consumer goods (FMCG) company, reported a 19.9 per cent year-on-year (Y-o-Y) rise in consolidated net profit (attributable to the owners of the company) for the December quarter of 2024-25 (FY25) mainly on the back of profit from the divestment of its 'Pureit' business and a decline in advertising and promotion expenses. Profit before exceptional items and tax was flat at Rs 3,475 crore in the December quarter of FY25.

However, exceptional income of Rs 507 crore in the quarter; versus an exceptional loss of Rs 30 crore in the year-ago period, boosted net profit.

Its net profit was at Rs 2,998 crore in the quarter ended December versus Rs 2,501 crore in year-ago period, while its underlying volume growth was flat in the quarter.

NEWS ON THE RUN

■ Rupee rises 25 paise to close at 86.33 against US dollar

■ Gold jumps ₹630 to hit record high of ₹82,730

■ Tata Communications' Q3 profit surges 424 pc to ₹236 crore

■ Centre hikes MSP of raw jute by ₹315 for 2025-26 season

■ \$500 billion Stargate AI project in US presents golden opportunity for India

■ Reliance Consumer Products acquires SIL brand

■ Centre to step up procurement of pulses from farmers in Rabi marketing season

NSE adds 10 million investors in 5 months

NEW DELHI

The National Stock Exchange (NSE) on Wednesday said its unique registered investors have crossed the 11 crore mark, with the latest 1 crore addition taking place in just five months, reflecting investor participation in the stock market through direct means.

Investor registrations at the NSE have experienced a remarkable acceleration in recent times, with a 3.6 times jump in the last five years.

It took 14 years since the NSE's commencement of operations in 1994 to reach 1 crore investors. The pace then quickened, with the next 1 crore registrations taking about seven years, followed by another 3.5 years for the next crore and the subsequent milestone of adding the fourth crore took just over a year.

“The rate of growth has since quickened significantly, with each additional 1 crore investors being added in roughly 6-7 months, while the last 1 crore investors were added in just over five months,



reflecting a shift in investor enthusiasm and participation in the stock market through direct means,” NSE said in a statement. In the last five months, daily new unique investor registrations have consistently ranged between 47,000 and 73,000. This growth has been driven by several key factors, including the rapid advancement of digitisation, heightened investor awareness, financial inclusion efforts, and strong market performance. PTI

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PUBLIC AUCTION FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PROPERTY

The Authorised Officer of L&T Finance Limited under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 [54 OF 2002] and in exercise of powers conferred under the said Act is auctioning the following property on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" and "AS IS WHAT IS CONDITION" by way of "PUBLIC AUCTION" for recovery of its dues and further interest, charges and costs etc.

Name of Borrower and Co-Borrower	Secured Property Address	Loan Account Number(s)	Physical Possession Taken	Earnest Money Deposit 10% or more of RP (In ₹)	Total Outstanding dues as on 21.01.2025	Reserve Price (In ₹)	Date of Inspection	Date and Time of Auction
1. Shantanu Kivse 2. Shobha Shripadrao Kivse 3. Integrity Services (through its Proprietor Shantanu Kivse)	All the piece and parcel of the Property Address: Row House No. 01, Admeasuring Carpet Area 33.07 Sq.mtr & Built Up Area 44.649 Sq.mtr., On The Plot No. 124 Admeasuring 47.50 Sq.mtr, Shivam Park, Shendra Jahangir, Aurangabad 431007 Boundaries: East 9 Meter Wide Road, West Plot No. 137, North Plot No. 125 (row House No. 2), South Plot No. 123	H00841311 2200459511 H00841311 220062559	15th, November, 2024	Rs.89,848/-	Rs. 34,87,066.41/-	Rs. 8,98,485/-	On all working day from 12.00 P.M TO 2.00 P.M	from 10.00 A.M to 5.30 P.M with Prior Appointment.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF PUBLIC AUCTION

- The E-auction Sale is being conducted online by the Authorised Officer through the website <https://sarfaesi.E-auctiontiger.net> under the provisions of SARFAESI Act with the aid and through public E-auction mode.
- The public E-auction will be conducted on the date and time mentioned herein above, when the secured asset/s mentioned above will be sold on "AS IS WHERE IS" BASIS & "AS IS WHAT IS" CONDITION.
- For participating in the public E-auction, intending purchasers/bidders will have to submit the details of payment of refundable Earnest Money Deposit of 10% of the reserve price of the secured assets along with copies of the PANCARD, Board Resolutions in case of company and Address Proof on or before 26/02/2025
- The EMD of all other bidders who did not succeed in the public E-auction will be refunded by LTF within 7 days of the closure of the public E-auction. The EMD will not carry any interest.
- The successful purchaser/bidder shall deposit the 25% (inclusive of EMD) of his/its offer by way of by way of D.D./P. O favoring "L&T Finance Limited" payable at Mumbai or before 18:00 hours on 27/02/2025 i.e., day of e-auction or on the next working day i.e., 28/02/2025, which deposit will have to be confirmed by L&T Finance Limited, failing which the sale will be deemed to have failed and the EMD of the said successful bidder shall be forfeited. The balance amount i.e., 75% of purchase price payable shall be paid by the purchaser to L&T Finance Limited on or before the fifteenth day of confirmation of sale of immovable property or such extended period as per provisions of law.
- For inspection of property or more information, the prospective bidders may contact the authorised officer i.e. Name - Shekhar Kale, L&T Finance Limited, 1st Floor, Ratnprabha Complex, Jalna Road, Aurangabad - 431001 and Santosh Tiwari, L&T Finance Ltd, Office: 6th Floor, Brindavan Building, Plot No. 177, Kalina, CST Road, Near Mercedes Showroom, Santacruz (East), Mumbai - 400 098. Contact No. 022-68076666. At any stage of the E-auction, the Authorised Officer may accept/reject/modify/cancel the bid/offer or post-pone the E-auction without assigning any reason thereof and without any prior notice.
- The successful purchaser/bidder shall bear any statutory dues, taxes, fees payable, stamp duty, registration fees, etc. that is required to be paid in order to get the property conveyed/delivered in his/her/its favour as per the applicable law.
- The Borrower/Guarantors, who are liable for the said outstanding dues, shall treat this Sale Notice as a notice under Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, about the holding of above-mentioned public E-auction sale.
- The Borrower (s) /Co-Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s)/Mortgagor(s) are hereby called upon to pay the entire loan outstanding dues as mentioned above before the said E-auction date failing which the L&T Finance Ltd shall sell the property as per the provisions laid down in the SARFAESI ACT, 2002.
- The Borrower (s) /Co-Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s)/Mortgagor(s) /public at large are hereby restrained from transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise with the secured assets referred to in the notice without prior written consent of L&T Finance Limited.

Date: 23.01.2025
Place: Aurangabad

Sd/-
Authorized Officer
For L&T Finance Limited