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Current news

World economy

- The Trump administration has drawn a hard line in trade talks with China, demanding a \$200 billion cut in the Chinese trade surplus with the United States, sharply lower tariffs and advanced technology subsidies, people familiar with the talks said on Friday.
- Euro zone business growth dimmed again in April but the picture remained relatively bright as new business stayed buoyant and firms managed to build up backlogs of work, a survey showed.
- Britain's services sector struggled to recover in April from a sharp slowdown in March, according to a major survey which seals expectations that the Bank of England is now highly unlikely to raise interest rates next week.
- Activity in Japan's services sector expanded at the fastest pace in six months in April as new orders picked up suggesting the economy got off to a strong start in the second quarter.
- South Korean exports declined in April for the first time in 18 months, unable to keep up with 2017's brisk pace as global demand softened, adding to worries about the country's trade outlook amid the risk of a deepening U.S-China trade conflict.

Indian economy

- Indian factory growth accelerated in April on strong domestic demand and output, a business survey showed on Wednesday, while price pressures were subdued in a comforting sign for the central bank as it seeks to temper inflation without hurting the economy.
- India's infrastructure growth slowed to a three-year low of 4.2 percent in the fiscal year ending in March, indicating Prime Minister Narendra Modi faces a tough challenge to boost investment ahead of general elections due early next year.
- Cement companies are likely to face pressure on their profit margins and debt metrics in the near term on rising prices of pet coke, coal and diesel, a report said.
- Private equity and venture capital investments in India reached \$7.9 billion across 180 deals in January-March this year, the best first quarter since 2008, mainly driven by large transactions, says a report.
- External commercial borrowings (ECBs) will go up to USD 27-32 billions on the back of relaxed norms announced by the Reserve Bank of India and the high rate of borrowing domestically, ratings agency Icra said.

MACRO ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT AS ON 05/05/2018

USA	Period	Current	Previous
GDP Annual Growth Rate	Quarterly	2.90	2.60
Inflation Rate	Monthly	2.40	2.20
Unemployment Rate	Monthly	↓3.90	4.10
Benchmark Interest Rate	Weekly	1.75	1.75
Govt. bond 10 year Rate	Weekly	↓2.95	2.96

Euro Area	Period	Current	Previous
GDP Annual Growth Rate	Quarterly	↓2.50	2.80
Inflation Rate	Monthly	↓1.20	1.30
Unemployment Rate	Monthly	8.50	8.50
Benchmark Interest Rate	Weekly	0.00	0.00
Govt. bond 10 year Rate	Weekly	↑-0.40	-0.43

China	Period	Current	Previous
GDP Annual Growth Rate	Quarterly	6.80	6.80
Inflation Rate	Monthly	2.10	2.90
Unemployment Rate	Monthly	↓3.89	3.90
Benchmark Interest Rate	Weekly	4.35	4.35
Govt. bond 10 year Rate	Weekly	↓3.66	3.67

Japan	Period	Current	Previous
GDP Annual Growth Rate	Quarterly	2.00	1.90
Inflation Rate	Monthly	1.10	1.50
Unemployment Rate	Monthly	2.50	2.50
Benchmark Interest Rate	Weekly	-0.10	-0.10
Govt. bond 10 year Rate	Weekly	↓0.05	0.06

UK	Period	Current	Previous
GDP Annual Growth Rate	Quarterly	1.20	1.40
Inflation Rate	Monthly	2.50	2.70
Unemployment Rate	Monthly	4.20	4.30
Benchmark Interest Rate	Weekly	0.50	0.50
Govt. bond 10 year Rate	Weekly	↓1.40	1.45

India	Period	Current	Previous
GDP Annual Growth Rate	Quarterly	7.20	6.50
Inflation Rate	Monthly	4.28	4.44
Unemployment Rate	Monthly	no data	
Benchmark Interest Rate	Weekly	6.00	6.00
Govt. bond 10 year Rate	Weekly	↓7.73	7.77

Brazil	Period	Current	Previous
GDP Annual Growth Rate	Quarterly	2.10	1.40
Inflation Rate	Monthly	2.68	2.84
Unemployment Rate	Monthly	13.10	12.60
Benchmark Interest Rate	Weekly	6.50	6.75
Govt. bond 10 year Rate	Weekly	↓9.70	9.78

Russia	Period	Current	Previous
GDP Annual Growth Rate	Quarterly	0.90	2.20
Inflation Rate	Monthly	2.40	2.40
Unemployment Rate	Monthly	5.00	5.00
Benchmark Interest Rate	Weekly	7.25	7.25
Govt. bond 10 year Rate	Weekly	↑7.34	7.27

WORLD MARKETS - A SNAPSHOT

	Name	Description	Week ended 5th May 2018	% Change
STOCKS	Australia	Aus Ordinaries	6155.40	1.86
	Brazil	Bovespa	83118.00	(3.85)
	China	Shanghai	3091.03	0.29
	France	CAC	5516.05	0.60
	Germany	DAX	12819.60	1.90
	Hong Kong	HANGSENG	29926.50	(1.17)
	India	Sensex	34915.38	(0.16)
	Japan	Nikkei	22472.78	0.02
	UK	FTSE	7567.10	0.87
	USA	DJIA	24262.51	(0.20)
COMMODITIES	Copper	\$/Pound	3.09	0.65
	Crude	\$/Barrel	69.72	2.38
	Gold	\$/Troy Ounce	1314.70	(0.66)
	Natural Gas	\$/MMBtu	2.71	(2.17)
	Silver	\$/Troy Ounce	16.52	0.12
	Aluminium	\$/Tonne	2350.00	5.71
	Lead	\$/Tonne	2318.00	(1.19)
	Nickel	\$/Tonne	14025.00	1.01
	Zinc	\$/Tonne	3055.00	(2.11)
CURRENCIES	USD/GBP		1.35	(2.17)
	USD/EUR		1.20	(0.83)
	USD/AUD		0.75	(1.32)
	JPY/USD		109.11	(0.07)
	INR/USD		66.81	(0.30)
	HKD/USD		7.85	0.00
	BRL/USD		3.53	(2.02)
	CNY/USD		6.36	(0.47)

WORLD MARKETS - TECHNICAL SNAPSHOT

		Very Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	Bearish	Very Bearish
STOCKS	India		Australia Brazil ↓ France Japan UK	Germany HongKong USA		China
COMMODITIES	Crude Oil		Aluminium ↑ Copper ↑ Nickel	Gold Lead Zinc	Natural Gas Silver	
CURRENCIES (against USD)			CNY	EUR GBP JPY		AUD ↓ BRL HKD INR

↑ = moved up from last week, ↓ = moved dn from last week

INDIAN MARKETS - A SNAPSHOT

	Name	Description	Week ended 5th May 2018	% Change
STOCKS	Nifty	Large Cap	10618.25	(0.69)
	Sensex	Large Cap	34915.38	(0.16)
	BSE Midcap	Mid Cap	16561.01	(2.11)
	BSE Smallcap	Small Cap	17991.45	(1.36)
Some Major Shares	ACC	Rs/share	1527.75	(2.04)
	Bharti Airtel		396.75	(2.94)
	HDFC Ltd		1910.35	3.05
	Infosys		1173.10	(1.02)
	L&T		1368.70	(0.66)
	Reliance Inds		953.95	(4.25)
	Tata Motors		334.40	(0.74)
	Tata Steel		580.75	(1.53)
COMMODITIES	Aluminium	INR/Kg	158.65	6.62
	Copper	INR/Kg	457.45	2.01
	Crude	INR/Barrel	4668.00	2.66
	Gold	INR/10gms	31114.00	(0.31)
	Lead	INR/Kg	155.55	(0.67)
	Natural Gas	INR/1mmBtu	182.30	(1.99)
	Nickel	INR/Kg	934.10	1.16
	Silver	INR/Kg	38898.00	(0.27)
	Zinc	INR/Kg	205.35	(2.07)
CURRENCIES	INR/EUR		79.89	1.11
	INR/GBP		90.39	1.51
	INR/100 JPY		61.22	(0.23)
	INR/USD		66.81	(0.30)

INDIAN MARKETS - TECHNICAL SNAPSHOT

		Very Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	Bearish	Very Bearish
INDICES	Sensex		Nifty	Mid Cap ↓ Small Cap ↓		
SECTORS	Cons Durable		Auto	Bankex	Oil & Gas ↓	
	FMCG			Cap Goods ↓	Power ↓	
	IT			Healthcare		
	Teck			Metal ↓		
				Realty		
COMMODITIES	Aluminium ↑		Copper	Lead		
	Crude Oil			Natural Gas		
	Gold			Silver		
	Nickel			Zinc		
CURRENCIES	JPY		EUR ↓			
(against INR)	USD		GBP ↓			

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