

**MARKET MOVEMENT**

Major Indices	June 10, 2016	June 17, 2016	% Change	Change
BSE Sensex	26,635.75	26,625.91	(0.03)	
NSE Nifty	8,170	8,170	0.00	

**INDIAN ECONOMY AT A GLANCE****POLICY WATCH**

- **Cabinet approves Civil Aviation policy**
- **Government nod to 6 international agreements**
- **Government forms panel to boost country's refining capacity through 2040**
- **Cabinet clears bill for speedy recovery of bad loans**
- **NCR Board approves 3 RRTS corridors, increase in metro project loan repayment tenure**

**Cabinet approves Civil Aviation policy**

**Cabinet has given its approval for the Civil Aviation policy. According to the revised rules, a new airline will need to** deploy 20 aircraft or 20% of the total fleet size, whichever is higher, on domestic routes in order to secure international flying rights. The Viability Gap Funding (VGF) will be funded by a small levy per departure on all domestic routes other than Cat II/ Cat IIA routes, RCS routes and small aircraft at a rate as decided by the Ministry from time to time.

**Government nod to 6 international agreements**

**Government has given its consent to six international agreements including one which will allow India undertake exploration of** high value mineral deposits at seabed and another to improve air connectivity with Taiwan. The Union Cabinet approved signing of the memoranda of understanding (MoUs) with various countries and international agencies in the fields of science and technology, air travel and labour welfare.

**Government forms panel to boost country's refining capacity through 2040**

**Petroleum Ministry has set up a high-level working group that will suggest a roadmap for enhancing India's crude oil refining capacity over the next 2.5 decades through 2040.** The idea is to align the country's energy portfolio with the changing trends in favour of a diversified fuel mix and the transition towards cleaner sources of energy generation.

### **Cabinet clears bill for speedy recovery of bad loans**

**Cabinet has approved a bill seeking to amend the debt recovery laws with an overall objective of improving the ease of doing business.** The legislation proposes to give RBI powers to regulate asset reconstruction companies, prioritise secured creditors in repayment of debts and provide stamp duty exemption on loans assigned by banks and financial institutions to asset reconstruction firms.

### **NCR Board approves 3 RRTS corridors, increase in metro project loan repayment tenure**

**The National Capital Region Planning Board (NCRPB) has given its nod for implementation of three Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS),** a rail-based system between Delhi-Alwar, Delhi-Panipat and Delhi-Meerut and decided to increase loan repayment tenure from 10 to 20 years for metro and rail-based projects. To provide a push for infrastructure development, the interest rates on funding from NCRPB has been reduced from 7.50% to 7% for priority sector projects, while for land development projects it has been reduced from 9.25% to 8.50%.

## **INDUSTRY WATCH**

- **Trade surplus in services expands to USD 5.72 billion**
- **Pharma sector grows 7.7% in May**
- **Foreigners arriving on e-Tourist Visa increases by 179% till May**
- **Government to set up chemical hubs across country**
- **Onion exports climb 33% to USD 357 million in Apr-Feb**

### **Trade surplus in services expands to USD 5.72 billion**

**India's trade surplus from the services sector increased to USD 5.72 billion in April, higher from USD 4.99 billion in March.** Services sector includes exports in sectors like information technology, receipts from tourism and businesses outsourced. Imports of services could include consultancy fees and also some information technology linked imports. Export receipts from services into India have been broadly between USD 12 billion and USD 13 billion since January.

### **Pharma sector grows 7.7% in May**

**Indian pharmaceutical market grew 7.7% in May compared with 3.5% in April. Therapy-wise, the anti-diabetic, neurology/CNS and cardiac segments outperformed the pharma market growth by 250-700 bps. The non-Fixed Dose Combination (FDC) category grew relatively better at 8.4% in May as against 4.2% in April.**

### **Foreigners arriving on e-Tourist Visa increases by 179% till May**

**The number of foreigners arriving in India on e-Tourist Visa stood at 43,833 at the end of May, a rise of 179.9%** compared to the same month 2015. A total of 43,833 tourists arrived this May on e-Tourist Visa compared to 15,659 during May 2015. During the January-May period this year, a total of 434,927 tourists arrived on as compared to 110,657 during the same period last year, registering a growth of 293%

### **Government to set up chemical hubs across country**

**The Union Government has announced setting up of chemical hubs across the country, accord early environment clearances** in existing clusters, provide adequate infrastructure, and establish a Central Institute of Chemical Engineering and Technology. The Ministry will coordinate with states to provide adequate infrastructure including railways, highways, communication lines, power and water to the industry.

### **Onion exports rises 33% to USD 357 million in Apr-Feb**

**India's onion exports went up 33% to USD 357 million in the first 11 months of 2015-16 on higher realisation of sales.** Onion exports stood at 980,566 tonnes during the 11 months of 2015-16 as against 970,442 tonnes in the same period of the previous financial year. India had exported 1086,072 tonnes of onion for USD 304 million in 2014-15

## **CORPORATE HIGHLIGHTS**

- **Zydus group inks pact with Eczacibasi to market biotech products**
- **Tata Motor's JLR opens its first wholly owned SUV factory in Brazil**
- **Randstad partners with TCS for cloud marketplace**
- **Bharti, Singtel joins for global enterprise network**
- **Grupo Antolin expands capacity in India with Sanand plant**

### **Zydus group inks pact with Eczacibasi to market biotech products**

**Zydus Cadila and Turkey based healthcare firm, Eczacibasi Ilac Pazarlama have signed a pact to market biotech products** in the Turkish market. The collaboration agreement involves the import of bio-similars that are currently unavailable in Turkey, especially for the treatment of cancer.

### **Tata Motor's JLR opens its first wholly owned SUV factory in Brazil**

**Jaguar Land Rover (JLR), the luxury unit of Tata Motors Limited, has opened its first wholly owned Sports Utility Vehicle (SUV) factory in Brazil**, which will produce the Discovery Sport and Range Rover Evoque SUVs for sale across the country. This plant is the company's first wholly owned facility outside its home market of the UK and its focus is to increase local sourcing of components and reduce the impact of currency fluctuations on JLR's profits.

### **Randstad partners with TCS for cloud marketplace**

**Tata Consultancy Services has entered into a global partnership with Randstad Global IT Solutions to design and** deploy its end-to-end public cloud marketplace. With this collaboration, Randstad Global IT Solutions, the IT infrastructure services arm of the HR services provider Randstad aims to improve its current IT Infrastructure operations through assets and vendor optimisation, process standardisation, automation and deriving economies of scale.

### **Bharti, Singtel joins for global enterprise network**

**Singapore Telecommunications and Bharti Airtel have joined hands to deliver high-speed, secure enterprise data network** coverage in the Asia-Pacific, West Asia, Africa, Europe and the US. The two companies have combined their resources into one network to provide data connectivity in 325 cities across the world through 370 points of presence (PoP). This will form one of the world's largest Internet Protocol Virtual Private Networks (IP VPNs).

### **Grupo Antolin expands capacity in India with Sanand plant**

**Grupo Antolin, the Spanish manufacture of interior components for automobiles (overhead, doors, seats and lighting), has opened its production facility in Sanand (Gujarat)**. Sanand is emerging as a manufacturing hub for global auto giants. The new plant will produce overhead systems, sunvisors and plastic parts for the interior of automobiles for customers such as Ford and Tata.