

MORNING BRIEF

Wednesday, 11 February 2026

BHAGAVAD GITA — VERSE 1.4 (4/12)

*atra shura maheshvasa bhimarjunasamayudhi
yuyudhano viratashcha drupadashcha maharathah*

Here are heroes and mighty archers equal in battle to Bhima and Arjuna — Yuyudhana, Virata, and Drupada, all great warriors.

Focusing obsessively on competitors' strengths breeds anxiety. Acknowledge competition, but focus energy on your own excellence rather than others' abilities.

LAW 4: ALWAYS SAY LESS THAN NECESSARY (4/48)

When you are trying to impress people with words, the more you say, the more common you appear. Powerful people impress and intimidate by saying less. The more you say, the more likely you are to say something foolish.

GIFT NIFTY 26,056.50 +95.00 (+0.37%)

Gap from NIFTY close: **+121 pts (+0.47%)**

INDIAN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHANGE	%
NIFTY 50	25,935.15	+67.85	+0.26%
Sensex	84,273.92	+208.17	+0.25%
Bank NIFTY	60,626.40	-42.95	-0.07%
India VIX	11.66	-0.52	-4.31%

FII / DII Flows

	NET (CR)
FII / FPI	+69
DII	+1,174

India Market Sentiment: **94** (Extreme Greed) — VIX at 11.7

US & GLOBAL MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHANGE	%
S&P 500	6,941.81	-23.01	-0.33%
Nasdaq	23,102.47	-136.20	-0.59%
Dow Jones	50,188.14	+52.27	+0.10%
S&P Futures	6,980.25	-3.00	-0.04%
Nikkei 225	57,650.54	+1,286.60	+2.28%
Hang Seng	27,183.15	+155.99	+0.58%

COMMODITIES & FOREX

ASSET	PRICE	CHANGE	%
US 10Y Yield	4.15	-0.05	-1.21%
Gold	5,061.70	+10.80	+0.21%
Silver	81.32	-0.74	-0.90%
Crude Oil	64.28	-0.08	-0.12%
USD/INR	90.56	-0.26	-0.28%

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- GIFT Nifty trading above prev NIFTY close by 121 pts (+0.47%) — signals a gap-up open.
- NIFTY ended flat (+0.26%) — range-bound session.
- India VIX at 11.7 — low fear, complacency territory.
- Both FII and DII were net buyers — broad institutional support.
- Rupee strengthened to 90.56 — possible FII inflow signal.

CRYPTO

COIN	PRICE	24H
BTC	\$68,920.00	-1.83%
ZEC	\$235.12	-2.03%

Fear & Greed Index: **11** (Extreme Fear)

- BTC dipping -1.8% — mild correction territory.
- Fear & Greed at 11 (Extreme Fear) — historically a good accumulation zone.

HACKER NEWS

1. [The Singularity will occur on a Tuesday](#)

The Singularity will Occur on a Tuesday February 10, 2026Everyone in San Francisco is talking about the singularity. At dinner parties, at coffee shops, at the OpenClaw meetup where Ashton Kutcher showed up for some reason.

814 pts · 468 comments

2. [Europe's \\$24T Breakup with Visa and Mastercard Has Begun](#)

ECB President Christine Lagarde has called for Europe to break its dependence on American payment infrastructure, warning that every card transaction sends European consumer data to the United States. A coalition of 16 banks thinks it has the answer.

646 pts · 566 comments

3. [Google handed ICE student journalist's bank and credit card numbers](#)

Google fulfilled an Immigration and Customs Enforcement subpoena that demanded a wide array of personal data on a student activist and journalist, including his credit card and bank account numbers, according to a copy of an ICE subpoena obtained by...

644 pts · 260 comments

4. I started programming when I was 7. I'm 50 now and the thing I loved has changed

I wrote my first line of code in 1983. I was seven years old, typing BASIC into a machine that had less processing power than the chip in your washing machine. I understood that machine completely.

588 pts · 495 comments

5. Frontier AI agents violate ethical constraints 30–50% of time, pressured by KPIs

Computer Science > Artificial Intelligence [Submitted on 23 Dec 2025 (v1), last revised 1 Feb 2026 (this version, v2)]

Title: A Benchmark for Evaluating Outcome-Driven Constraint Violations in Autonomous AI Agents View PDF HTML...

521 pts · 338 comments

6. Oxide raises \$200M Series C

We have raised a \$200M Series C, and yes, you are permitted a double take: didn't we just raise a \$100M Series B? And aren't we the ones that are especially candid about the perils of raising too much money?

511 pts · 266 comments

7. Qwen-Image-2.0: Professional infographics, exquisite photorealism

381 pts · 162 comments

8. Clean-room implementation of Half-Life 2 on the Quake 1 engine

Making sure you're not a bot! Loading... Why am I seeing this?

326 pts · 64 comments

9. Ex-GitHub CEO launches a new developer platform for AI agents

316 pts · 284 comments

10. Vercel's CEO offers to cover expenses of 'Jmail'

260 pts · 176 comments

11. Parse, Don't Validate (2019)

Parse, don't validate Historically, I've struggled to find a concise, simple way to explain what it means to practice type-driven design.

221 pts · 138 comments

12. Simplifying Vulkan one subsystem at a time

Simplifying Vulkan One Subsystem at a Time When those of us in the Vulkan® working group want to modify the API—whether it's a new hardware feature to expose, a new use case we want to address, or even just a gap in the spec we want to address—we...

207 pts · 142 comments

13. Show HN: I built a macOS tool for network engineers – it's called NetViews

NetViews is a modern, macOS network scanning app inspired by the specialized needs of IT, Wi-Fi, and network professionals.

162 pts · 46 comments

14. Mathematicians disagree on the essential structure of the complex numbers (2024)

Mathematicians disagree on the essential structure of the complex numbers I discuss several commonly held perspectives on the complex numbers and explore how their differences engage with several aspects of structuralism in the philosophy of...

147 pts · 192 comments

15. The Day the Telnet Died

A long, long time ago I can still remember how a protocol used to make me smile And I knew if I had my chance That I could make those botnets dance And maybe they'd be happy for a while But January made me shiver With every packet I tried to...

144 pts · 80 comments

MARKET NEWS

Pre-market action: Here's the trade setup for today's session

STATE OF THE MARKETS - Tech View: Additionally, the index is sustaining above its critical moving averages on the daily timeframe. In the short term, the trend is expected to remain sideways to positive, with support placed at 25,790.

Stocks in news: M&M, LG, Lenskart, BHEL, Titan, Shoppers Stop

In today's trade, M&M, LG, Lenskart, BHEL, Titan, Shoppers Stop among others will be in focus due to various news developments and third quarter results.

Global Market Today: Asian stocks hold near record before US jobs data, gold up

The MSCI Asia Pacific Index was little changed after two days of gains that took the gauge to an all-time high. The moves came after Wall Street benchmarks retreated on Tuesday.

HUDCO, NaBFID and SIDBI to tap bond market for Rs 13,500 cr

Investor focus is likely to be on NaBFID's planned ₹4,000 crore 10-year bond sale, which comes at a time when the benchmark 10-year benchmark government security is trading at 6.75%.

Surplus liquidity fuels record parking in SDF

Money market traders are likely borrowing overnight funds from the TREPS market at 4.27% and parking with the SDF facility at 5%, resulting in a large sum of money being parked at the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) facility, market participants said.

Govt launches OFS to divest up to 5% in BHEL

The floor price for the OFS has been fixed at ₹254 per share, the Department of Investment and Public Asset Management (DIPAM) said on X.

CRAs need to maintain additional net worth: Sebi

At present, Sebi rules mandate CRAs to have a minimum net worth of ₹25 crore, and to undertake credit ratings of only listed or proposed to be listed securities, or rating of financial instruments under the guidelines of a regulator as specified by...

Freedom To Act: Europe Inc pushes plans to list in India

Investment bankers said they are already seeing a clear uptick in enquiries for initial public offerings (IPOs) from European industrial companies, particularly in auto components, speciality chemicals and clean energy, especially after the trade...

Equity's not the only gold on D-St, 'precious' ETF flows double in Jan

Gold and silver Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs) garnered ₹33,503 crore in January, more than double December's ₹15,600 crore. The surge extends a trend that began in November, when flows were ₹5,896 crore.

After Tiger Global ruling, Income Tax dept sends notices to foreign VCs, PE funds

The Income Tax (I-T) department has sought a slew of information from these fund houses to examine their 'substance' in Mauritius and Singapore — the favourite jurisdictions for foreign investors setting up vehicles to bet on India.

Piramal Finance raises \$400 million in ECB from Global, local lenders including Deutsche Bank AG & SMBC

Besides these two lenders, the up to 42-month facility was underwritten by Axis Bank, DBS Bank and Far Eastern International Bank. About half the principal raised will be repaid as a bullet payment at maturity.

Maharashtra govt told to pay ₹691 cr to IDRC in tollway case

This is among the first recoveries for the government-backed bad bank since it started operations in 2022.

Banks ease pace of hiring as tech, AI shoulder more tasks

While HDFC Bank reported a marginal increase in employees in the quarter to December 2025, both Axis Bank and Kotak Mahindra Bank saw a decline in headcount.

Jubilant Food Q3 profit rises 69%

The company had logged a net profit of ₹43.2 crore in the October-December period a year ago, according to a regulatory filing by JFL, part of the Jubilant Bhartia Group.

S&P Global shares slide on weak 2026 forecast, AI concerns

The company is grouped within the broader software and services sector because its core operations, including financial data provision, analytics and credit ratings, rely heavily on proprietary datasets and advanced computational tools.

Ahead of Market: 10 things that will decide stock market action on Wednesday

Listen to this article in summarized format Meanwhile, the volatility gauge India VIX ended at 11.67, down 4.30% from the last closing.

Apollo Hospitals reports 35% YoY jump in Q3 profit, revenue grows 17%

Listen to this article in summarized format The board of directors of the company declared an interim dividend of Rs 10 per share for the financial year ending 31 March.

IndiQube Q3 profit soars 214% YoY to Rs 40 crore; revenue surge 45% to Rs 395 crore

Listen to this article in summarized format The company also posted its highest-ever quarterly revenue of ₹395 crore in Q3 FY26, registering a 45% growth compared with ₹273 crore in the corresponding period last year.

IIFL Finance plans Rs 2000 crore retail bond sale next week

The bonds will be issued across multiple maturities, with tenures ranging from 24 months to 60 months. These instruments are likely to yield anything between 8.7% and 9.1%, people aware of the pricing plans and the fundraising said.

Market Trading Guide: Eternal, Grasim and 2 more stocks offer up to 9% upside in near term

Market Trading Guide: Eternal, Grasim and 2 more stocks offer up to 9% upside in near term ETMarkets.com| 1/5 Stock Ideas Nifty ended Tuesday with gains, recording its third positive close, aided by buying action in auto and metal stocks.

US retail sales flat in December as consumers pull back

Overall sales were flat on a month-on-month basis at \$735 billion, Commerce Department data showed. This was down from November's 0.6 percent growth, which saw a boost from the year-end holiday shopping season.

Retail inflows into software stocks hit record despite AI-disruption worries

Net inflows into BlackRock's iShares Expanded Tech-Software Sector exchange-traded fund hit a record \$176 million on a one-month rolling period as of Monday's close, according to data compiled by Vanda Research.

Grasim Q3 Results: Profit jumps 28% to Rs 2,233 crore, revenue surges 25%

Listen to this article in summarized format The company had posted a net profit of Rs 1,734.16 crore during the October-December quarter a year ago, according to a regulatory filing by Grasim Industries, which is the holding firm for group companies...

S&P 500, Nasdaq fall as communication services, tech stocks weigh; Dow Jones hits intraday record

The S&P 500 communication services sector weighed the most and was down 1.3%, dragged by a 2.8% decline in Alphabet's shares after it sold bonds worth \$20 billion in a seven-part offering. Tech stocks slipped 0.1%.

Britannia Industries Q3 Results: Cons PAT jumps 17% YoY to Rs 680 crore, revenue rises 8%

Listen to this article in summarized format The company's revenue from operations stood at Rs 4,970 crore in Q3FY26, up 8% over the Rs 4,593 crore posted in the corresponding period of the last financial year.

Govt to sell 3% stake in BHEL via OFS, sets floor price at Rs 254 per share

The government has also retained an oversubscription option to sell an additional 6.96 crore shares, equivalent to 2% equity, which would take the total potential divestment to 17.41 crore shares, or 5% of the company's equity capital, if fully...

Ferrari Q4 Results: Carmaker beats estimates, sees core profit growing this year

Listen to this article in summarized format Chief Executive Benedetto Vigna said demand for Ferrari cars remained "very solid" and was being managed to protect the brand's exclusivity in every market.

Explosive Growth: 10 large-cap stocks with stellar YoY sales gains

A significant rise in quarterly sales on a year-over-year (YoY) basis indicates strong business growth and increased demand.

Non deposit taking NBFCs will continue to be under RBI purview says central bank in draft norms

In the post monetary policy announcement last week, RBI had proposed to exempt NBFCs with asset size not exceeding Rs 1,000 crore, from registration requirements with the central bank subject to certain specified conditions in an effort to reduce...

Titan, SBI among 4 Sensex stocks that hit 52-week highs & rallied up to 17% in a month

On Tuesday, the benchmark Sensex rose about 208 points to close at 84,274. During the broader market rally, four BSE Sensex stocks hit their 52-week highs, marking their strongest levels in the past year.

Apollo Hospitals Q3 Results: Profit rises 35% YoY to Rs 502 crore; Rs 10 per share dividend declared

The record date for the same has been fixed as February 16 and it will be paid on or before February 27. Revenue for the third quarter came in at Rs 6,477 crore as against Rs 5,527 crore in same quarter of last year, showing a growth of 17%.

Star investors Mukul Agrawal, Sunil Singhania pick up stake in YAAP Digital ahead of IPO

Mumbai-based YAAP Digital said both investors have acquired 7,20,400 equity shares each, translating into an equity stake of about 4.68% apiece in the company.

Titan Q3 Results: Profit soars 61% YoY to Rs 1,684 crore, total income surges 40%

Listen to this article in summarized format EBIT for the quarter (excluding exceptional items) increased 63% YoY to Rs 2,657 crore. Margins improved 155 basis points to 10.8%.

Google parent Alphabet sells bonds worth \$20 billion to fund AI spending

The disclosure on Tuesday underscored Big Tech's growing appetite for credit, in a shift away from years of relying on strong cash flows to fund investment in new technologies.

MSE rejects report that claimed Sebi is stalling its entry into equity derivatives

In a statement, MSE said the Reuters article published on February 10 misrepresented the exchange's regulatory status and operational preparedness.

Gainers & Losers: Tracxn, BSE and Swiggy among 7 big movers on Tuesday

Feb 10, 2026 Image Source: ETMarkets.com Thanks For...

Eicher Motors Q3 Results: Cons PAT jumps 21% YoY to Rs 1,420 crore, revenue surges 23%

The company's revenue from operations stood at Rs 6,114 crore in Q3FY26, up 23% over Rs 4,973 crore posted in the corresponding period of the last financial year.

US Stocks Today: Futures pause after tech rebound; upcoming data in focus

The Dow notched its second consecutive closing record high on Monday, while the S&P 500 closed a few points shy of its January peak.

Commodity Radar: Copper likely to see choppy trade ahead of Chinese holidays. Here's how to trade the red metal

February copper contracts slipped 0.9% to hit an intraday low of Rs 1,238.55 per kg, tracking weakness in overseas markets. On the London Metal Exchange (LME), benchmark three-month copper contracts edged down 0.18% to \$13,152.50 per tonne.

Where are investors putting their money now? Gold ETFs surge 118% as multi-asset funds become the one-stop solution

Listen to this article in summarized format SIP heroes stand firm: ₹31,000+ crore monthly flows despite volatility The most reassuring signal from recent mutual fund data is the resilience of systematic investment plan (SIP) flows.

Rupee rises 9 paise to close at 90.57 against US dollar

Forex traders said the rupee is witnessing sideways price action as the support from positive domestic equities and foreign fund inflows was negated by geopolitical tensions and Dollar demand from importers.

Golden Thumb Rule | Risk-taking vs capital protection: Here's how to strike the right balance

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Market Wrap: Sensex adds 208 points, Nifty extends gain for third session, reclaims 25,900; auto, metal stocks shine

The BSE Sensex rose 208 points to close the session at 84,274 or 0.25% higher, while the Nifty 50 gained 68 points or 0.26% points to end the day at 25,935.

Edelweiss shares soar 10% as Q3 net profit zooms 112% YoY; Carlyle acquires stake in subsidiary for Rs 2,100 cr

The company's Alternative Asset Management business reported strong growth, with FPAUM rising 33% YoY to Rs 41,920 crore and fund raises of Rs 2,394 crore during the quarter.

Global Markets | European shares flat as investors take stock of mixed earnings updates

The pan-European STOXX 600 index was flat at 621.28 points at 0815 GMT and was just a whisker away from an intra-day all-time high.

Are interest rates about to rise? Ajay Srivastava on which sectors will win and lose in coming cycle

The coming interest rate surge: A two-year opportunity for banks Government of India (GOI) bond yields are rising, signaling an imminent shift in the interest rate environment.

Conviction buys: UltraTech, Dalmia Bharat and JK Cement offer up to 14% returns. Axis Direct explains why

UltraTech Cement | Upside: 8% With 10% returns in the past 3 months, UltraTech Cement shares have outperformed Nifty (2%). Axis Direct considers it a conviction buy with a target of Rs 14,000, implying an 8% upside.

Which sectors to star in 2026? IT cos have dumbest managements, says Ajay Srivastava; prefers monopolies

Listen to this article in summarized format Market technically set up nicely and cleanly after corrections Despite volatility in early 2026, Srivastava expresses comfort with current market positioning.

Mutual Funds kept buying 9 midcap stocks for 2 quarters; surge up to 110%. Are you in?

Over the last two quarters, mutual funds steadily increased their stakes in around 65 BSE midcap companies, using the June 2025 quarter as the base point.

2 top stock recommendations from Vinay Rajani

Listen to this article in summarized format Speaking to ET Now, market expert Vinay Rajani from HDFC Securities highlighted the technical resilience of the Nifty, pointing to a strong recovery from recent lows.

CRYPTO NEWS

Crypto PAC Fairshake leaps into first midterm Senate race with \$5 million in Alabama

Crypto PAC Fairshake leaps into first midterm Senate race with \$5 million in Alabama The industry's leading campaign-finance operation is getting behind a pro-crypto candidate, Barry Moore, in Alabama's Republican Senate primary.

Crypto's banker adversaries didn't want to deal in latest White House meeting on bill

Crypto's banker adversaries didn't want to deal in latest White House meeting on bill The White House had instructed crypto executives and bankers to come ready to compromise, but bankers maintained their call for a ban on stablecoin yields.

What to expect at CoinDesk's Consensus Hong Kong 2026

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Robinhood misses Q4 revenue estimates as fourth-quarter results dinged by crypto slump

Robinhood misses Q4 revenue estimates as fourth-quarter results dinged by crypto slump Crypto revenue fell 38% year over year to \$221M, even as the company expanded token listings and crypto features across its platform.

Citadel Securities backs LayerZero as it unveils 'Zero' blockchain for global markets

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Ex-SafeMoon CEO gets 8-year prison sentence for defrauding investors

Ex-SafeMoon CEO gets 8-year prison sentence for defrauding investors Braden John Karony had been convicted last year on several federal charges, and he's ordered to pay back \$7.5 million in restitution.

Sam Bankman-Fried files for new trial over FTX fraud charges

Sam Bankman-Fried files for new trial over FTX fraud charges The incarcerated former leader of the failed crypto exchange wants a new chance to defend against fraud charges.

Concerns over Strategy selling bitcoin are 'unfounded,' Michael Saylor says

Concerns over Strategy selling bitcoin are 'unfounded,' Michael Saylor says Strategy Executive Chairman Michael Saylor affirmed the firm's commitment to a long-term bitcoin strategy following major fourth quarter losses and a continued plunge in...

Struggling Coinbase gets price target cut from JPMorgan ahead of Thursday earnings

Struggling Coinbase gets price target cut from JPMorgan ahead of Thursday earnings Shares of COIN are down nearly 30% this year, with analysts warning that softer trading and crypto prices are likely to weigh on revenue.

Tether invests in LayerZero Labs as it doubles down on cross-chain tech, agentic finance

Tether invests in LayerZero Labs as it doubles down on cross-chain tech, agentic finance LayerZero's Omnipool infrastructure (OFT) enables liquid stablecoin use across networks and "agentic finance" use cases.

Bitcoin remains in tight range under \$70,000 ahead of Wednesday's U.S. jobs report

Bitcoin remains in tight range under \$70,000 ahead of Wednesday's U.S. jobs report Two Trump administration officials suggested markets should brace for weaker-than-expected January employment data.

Crypto exchange Kraken fires chief financial officer ahead of long-awaited IPO

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Vitalik Buterin outlines how Ethereum could play a key role in the future of AI

Vitalik Buterin outlines how Ethereum could play a key role in the future of AI In a post on X revisiting ideas he first outlined two years ago, the co-founder of Ethereum argues that the push toward artificial general intelligence often resembles...

CoinDesk 20 performance update: index falls 3.4% as all constituents trade lower

Share this article CoinDesk 20 performance update: index falls 3.4% as all constituents trade lower Aptos (APT) declined 5.5% and Ethereum (ETH) dropped 5.4%, leading the index lower from Monday, Feb 10, 2026, 2:09 p.m.

Blockchain.com wins UK registration nearly four years after abandoning FCA process

Blockchain.com wins UK registration nearly four years after abandoning FCA process The London-based company elected to withdraw its application for FCA licensing in March 2022 having not won approval ahead of an impending deadline.

Bitcoin a tech trade for now, not digital gold, says Grayscale

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AI mania is helping cap crypto's upside, Wintermute says

AI mania is helping cap crypto's upside, Wintermute says Your day-ahead look for Feb.

Jump Trading to take small stakes in Polymarket, Kalshi: Bloomberg

Jump Trading to take small stakes in Polymarket, Kalshi: Bloomberg Jump is set to take a fixed amount of equity in prediction market Kalshi, while its stake in Polymarket will grow over time depending on the trading capacity that the firm provides.

Memecoins post gains as largest crypto tokens languish

Memecoins post gains as largest crypto tokens languish Bitcoin was little changed Tuesday, while ether fell. CoinDesk's memecoin Index rose.

Fugitive foreigner sentenced in the U.S. to 20 years for \$73 million crypto scam

Fugitive foreigner sentenced in the U.S. to 20 years for \$73 million crypto scam A U.S. judge sentenced Daren Li to 20 years for a \$73 million crypto fraud.

I'm not confident we hit a true capitulation in bitcoin, derivatives expert says

I'm not confident we hit a true capitulation in bitcoin, derivatives expert says Bitcoin's futures market doesn't show panic capitulation as in late 2022, analyst said.

LMAX unveils new exchange to break the wall down between crypto and FX

LMAX unveils new exchange to break the wall down between crypto and FX Omnia allows users to trade any asset directly against any other 24/7, without restrictions on size or type.

AI is no savior when markets get tough ... but it can help, says Nickel Digital chief

AI is no savior when markets get tough ... but it can help, says Nickel Digital chief Sometimes human intervention and an "old school" approach is needed, said Anatoly Crachilov, founding partner and CEO of Nickel Digital Asset Management.

U.S. bitcoin ETFs register back-to-back inflows for first time in a month

U.S. bitcoin ETFs register back-to-back inflows for first time in a month ETF assets under management continue to diverge from spot bitcoin price. What to know: - U.S.

Bitcoin's U.S. demand signal flickers back after crash

Bitcoin's U.S. demand signal flickers back after crash A rebound in the Coinbase Bitcoin Premium Index suggests U.S. buyers stepped in near recent lows, though it does not confirm a broader risk-on turn.

TECH & STARTUPS

Amazon may launch a marketplace where media sites can sell their content to AI companies

The AI industry's pursuit of licensable content has been a messy affair, filled with lawsuits and accusations of copyright infringement.

An ice dance duo skated to AI music at the Olympics

Czech ice dancers Kateřina Mrázková and Daniel Mrázek made their Olympic debut on Monday, an unfathomable feat that takes a lifetime of dedication and practice.

Boston Dynamics CEO Robert Playter steps down after 30 years at the company

Boston Dynamics, the Massachusetts-based robotics company known for its four-legged robots and humanoids, is going through a leadership change.

VC Masha Bucher, Epstein associate and Day One founder, explains herself

Masha Bucher, a Silicon Valley VC and founder of Day One Ventures, took to X this week to address news reports documenting her close business and personal relationship with convicted sex offender Jeffrey Epstein.

Google sent personal and financial information of student journalist to ICE

Google handed over a trove of personal data about a student and journalist to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement in response to a subpoena that had not been approved by a judge, according to a report by The Intercept.

Nearly half of xAI's founding team has now left the company

Monday night, xAI co-founder Yuhuai (Tony) Wu announced he was leaving the company. "It's time for my next chapter," Wu wrote in a late-night post on X.

Here's how Rivian changed the rear door manual release on the R2

There's been a lot of pushback on electronic door handles lately, as multiple carmakers — especially Tesla — have been accused of making manual door releases too hard to find and access during an emergency.

Facebook adds new AI features, animated profile photos, and backgrounds for text posts

Facebook announced new AI-powered features on Tuesday designed to let users express themselves in more playful ways across the platform.

Former Tesla product manager wants to make luxury goods impossible to fake, starting with a chip

The fake goods crisis cuts two ways. Luxury brands lose more than \$30 billion a year to counterfeits, while buyers in the booming \$210 billion second-hand market have no reliable way to verify that what they're purchasing is genuine.

Singapore says China-backed hackers targeted its four largest phone companies

Singapore's government has blamed a known Chinese cyber-espionage group for targeting four of its top telecommunication companies as part of a months-long attack.

Vega raises \$120M Series B to rethink how enterprises detect cyber threats

Modern enterprises generate enormous amounts of security data, but legacy tools like Splunk still require companies to store all of it in one place before they can detect threats — a slow and costly process that's increasingly breaking down in cloud...

What to know about Netflix's landmark acquisition of Warner Bros.

If you thought 2025 couldn't get any crazier, the streaming world had one more surprise up its sleeve before the year ended.

Google expands tools to let users remove sensitive data about themselves from Search

As part of Safer Internet Day, Google unveiled updates to its "Results about you" and non-consensual explicit image removal tools.

Trump EPA reportedly seeks to revoke landmark air pollution rule

The Trump administration's EPA administrator, Lee Zeldin, is looking to repeal the 2009 "endangerment finding" that found greenhouse gases pose a threat to human health and welfare, possibly as early as this week, The Wall Street Journal reports.

YouTubers aren't relying on ad revenue anymore — here's how some are diversifying

YouTube has become the biggest platform out there, offering tons of opportunities for creators to earn a living. Back in June, the company reported that its creative ecosystem added over \$55 billion to the U.S.

Hauler Hero collects \$16M for its AI waste management software

Hauler Hero has picked up fresh funds as demand for its AI-powered waste management software continues to pile up.

India orders social media platforms to take down deepfakes faster

India has ordered social media platforms to step up policing of deepfakes and other AI-generated impersonations, while sharply shortening the time they have to comply with takedown orders.

Former GitHub CEO raises record \$60M dev tool seed round at \$300M valuation

Former GitHub CEO Thomas Dohmke has raised the largest-ever seed round for a dev tool startup, according to its lead backer, Felicis. The startup, Entire, has raised \$60 million at a \$300 million valuation.

Spotify hits a record 751M monthly users thanks to Wrapped, new free features

Swedish music streaming giant Spotify saw its user numbers peak last quarter, driven by its year-end “Wrapped” campaign, which rounds up stats and listening highlights for users and new features on its free tier.

Primary Ventures raises healthy \$625M Fund V to focus on seed investing

Primary Ventures has closed a \$625 million Fund V focused on seed investing nationwide, which is a sizable fund for a firm that focuses solely on early-stage investing.

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