

MORNING BRIEF

Thursday, 16 April 2026

BHAGAVAD GITA — VERSE 1.8 (8/12)

*bhavanbhimashcha karnashcha kripashcha samitinjayah
ashvatthama vikarnashcha saumadattirjayadrathah*

Yourself (Drona), Bhishma, Karna, Kripa who is ever victorious in battle, Ashvatthama, Vikarna, and Jayadratha, the son of Somadatta.

Having talented people on your side doesn't guarantee success if the cause is unjust. Talent must serve righteous purpose.

LAW 20: DO NOT COMMIT TO ANYONE (20/48)

It is the fool who always rushes to take sides. Do not commit to any side or cause but yourself. By maintaining your independence, you become the master of others.

PAUL GRAHAM — THE ACCELERATION OF ADDICTIVENESS (68/97)

Technology trends toward making things more addictive. Food became more processed and addictive over time. Social media is more addictive than TV, which was more addictive than radio. This trend will continue and accelerate. The implication: personal discipline is becoming increasingly important, not less. In a world of infinite temptation, the ability to resist distraction is a superpower that compounds over time.

The world is engineered to be increasingly addictive. Willpower alone won't save you — you need systems and environmental design. Remove temptations rather than trying to resist them. Your ability to focus in a distracted world is becoming your most valuable competitive advantage.

paulgraham.com/addiction.html

GIFT NIFTY 24,353.50 +104.00 (+0.43%)

Gap from NIFTY close: +122 pts (+0.50%)

INDIAN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHANGE	%
NIFTY 50	24,231.30	+388.65	+1.63%
Sensex	78,111.24	+1,263.67	+1.64%
Bank NIFTY	56,301.95	+696.90	+1.25%
India VIX	20.50	+1.65	+8.75%

FII / DII Flows

	NET (CR)
FII / FPI	+666
DII	-569

India Market Mood: **64** (Greed)

US & GLOBAL MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHANGE	%
S&P 500	7,022.95	+55.57	+0.80%
Nasdaq	24,016.02	+376.94	+1.59%
Dow Jones	48,463.72	-72.27	-0.15%
S&P Futures	7,074.50	+69.75	+1.00%
Nikkei 225	59,029.14	+894.90	+1.54%
Hang Seng	25,947.32	+75.00	+0.29%

US Fear & Greed: **56** (greed)

COMMODITIES & FOREX

ASSET	PRICE	CHANGE	%
US 10Y Yield	4.28	+0.03	+0.61%
Gold	4,849.40	+24.40	+0.51%
Silver	80.51	+1.12	+1.41%
Crude Oil	90.97	-0.31	-0.34%
USD/INR	93.33	+0.17	+0.18%

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- GIFT Nifty trading above prev NIFTY close by 122 pts (+0.50%) — signals a gap-up open.
- NIFTY rallied +1.63% — strong bullish session.
- India VIX at 20.5 — elevated volatility, be cautious with position sizing.
- FII bought 666 Cr, DII sold 569 Cr — foreign money in, domestic booking profits.
- Wall Street closed strong (S&P +0.80%) — positive cue for Asian markets.
- S&P futures pointing higher (+1.00%).
- Gold up +0.51% at \$4,849.
- Rupee weakened to 93.33 — watch IT exporters.

CRYPTO

COIN	PRICE	24H
BTC	\$74,619.00	-0.08%

Fear & Greed Index: **23** (Extreme Fear)

- BTC consolidating around \$74,619.
- Fear & Greed at 23 (Fear) — sentiment cautious.

HACKER NEWS

1. **Google broke its promise to me – now ICE has my data**

In September 2024, Amandla Thomas-Johnson was a Ph.D. candidate studying in the U.S. on a student visa when he briefly attended a pro-Palestinian protest.

1086 pts · 471 comments

2. [Want to write a compiler? Just read these two papers \(2008\)](#)

It's not about technology for its own sake. It's about being able to implement your ideas. Imagine you don't know anything about programming, and you want learn how to do it.

466 pts · 140 comments

3. [God sleeps in the minerals](#)

448 pts · 96 comments

4. [Live Nation illegally monopolized ticketing market, jury finds](#)

<https://www.nytimes.com/2026/04/15/arts/music/live-nation-an...> , <https://archive.ph/KA1wV> <https://www.theverge.com/policy/912689/live-nation-ticketmas...>

384 pts · 115 comments

5. [Good sleep, good learning, good life \(2012\)](#)

It is everyone's dream to wake up fresh, happy, and ready for action on a daily basis. Sadly, in the modern world, only a small minority lives that dream.

368 pts · 185 comments

MARKET NEWS

[Fresh hopes of US-Iran talks bring peace to D-Street](#)

Some Recovery Since Ceasefire The NSE Nifty ended at 24,231.30, up 1.6% or 388.65 points over Monday's close. The BSE Sensex finished at 78,111.24, up 1.6% or 1,263.67 points. Indian markets were shut on Tuesday for Ambedkar Jayanti.

[GIFT Nifty signals a positive start; here's the trading setup for the day](#)

STATE OF THE MARKETS Gift Nifty (Earlier SGX Nifty) signals a positive start. Nifty futures on the Gift Nifty traded 97 points higher at 24,346. Tech View: Going forward, the 24,250–24,300 zone is likely to act as a crucial resistance band.

[Stocks in news: Wipro, Angel One, HDB Financial, Clean Max Enviro, M&M](#)

In today's trade, shares of Wipro, Angel One, HDB Financial, Clean Max Enviro, M&M among others will be in focus due to various news developments and fourth quarter results.

[Global Markets: Asian stocks rise, US hits record on Iran talks](#)

The MSCI Asia Pacific Index opened 0.4% higher on Thursday as traders bet a de-escalation of the Middle East conflict will ease oil prices and lift economic growth.

[US stocks today: S&P 500, Nasdaq push to closing records on earnings and Middle East optimism](#)

Listen to this article in summarized format Equities have found support this week from investor hopes that Washington and Tehran could return to the negotiating table with a view to ending the war, which has caused widespread disruption in global...

CRYPTO NEWS

[Solana Policy Institute-backed PAC spends millions to jam Sherrod Brown's Senate run](#)

Solana Policy Institute-backed PAC spends millions to jam Sherrod Brown's Senate run The Sentinel Action Fund is supporting Republican John Husted in that race, with funding from the Solana network's advocacy group and Multicoin Capital.

[Bitcoin capped at \\$75,000 as Nasdaq and S&P 500 fly to new record highs](#)

Bitcoin capped at \$75,000 as Nasdaq and S&P 500 fly to new record highs The Nasdaq was higher for the 11th consecutive session as investors looked past the conflict in the Middle East.

[Justin Sun blasts Trump-linked WLF's 'absurd' governance vote, escalating feud](#)

Justin Sun blasts Trump-linked WLF's 'absurd' governance vote, escalating feud The Tron founder claimed that dissenters would face token lockups and exclusion from voting, while the project said the proposal aims to align all participants for the...

[Crypto's new \\$11 million PAC booked millions in ads with firm started by Tether US CEO](#)

Crypto's new \$11 million PAC booked millions in ads with firm started by Tether US CEO While Tether has been closely associated with the emerging political action committee, the opening funding came from Cantor Fitzgerald and Anchorage Digital.

UK asset manager puts \$68 billion of funds on-chain via Calastone token network

UK asset manager puts \$68 billion of funds on-chain via Calastone token network Legal & General Asset Management brings decades-old money market funds onto blockchain rails to expand access and enable faster settlement.

TECH & STARTUPS

Amazon-backed X-energy files to raise up to \$800M in IPO

Nuclear startup X-energy began its investor roadshow Wednesday as it works toward its IPO, setting its target price between \$16 and \$19 per share, according to documents filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

Ford EV and tech chief leaving automaker

Doug Field, the high-profile executive who shaped Ford's electric vehicle (EV) and technology strategies over the past five years, is leaving the automaker.

Wait, could they still actually break up Live Nation?

A federal jury found Wednesday that Live Nation has been operating as an illegal monopoly — a verdict that could lead to the breakup of the entertainment giant and its ticketing subsidiary, Ticketmaster, and bring relief to concertgoers who are sick...

Monarch Tractor's collapse ends with an acquisition by Caterpillar

Monarch Tractor's assets have been acquired by construction giant Caterpillar, after struggling to pivot to a software services business, according to filings with the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

OpenAI updates its Agents SDK to help enterprises build safer, more capable agents

Agentic AI is the tech industry's newest success story, and companies like OpenAI and Anthropic are racing to give enterprises the tools they need to create these automated little helpers.
