

MORNING BRIEF

Sunday, 19 April 2026

BHAGAVAD GITA — VERSE 1.11 (11/12)

*ayaneṣhu cha sarveṣhu yathabhaḡamavasthitah
bhishmamevabhirakṣhantu bhavantah sarva eva hi*

Therefore, all of you must give full support to Grandsire Bhishma, standing at your respective positions in the army formation.

Over-reliance on a single person or factor creates vulnerability. Build systems and teams with distributed strength, not single points of failure.

LAW 23: CONCENTRATE YOUR FORCES (23/48)

Conserve your forces and energies by keeping them concentrated at their strongest point. You gain more by finding a rich mine and mining it deeper than by flitting from one shallow mine to another. Intensity defeats extensity every time.

PAUL GRAHAM — HOW NOT TO DIE (71/97)

Most startups that fail don't die in dramatic fashion — they die because the founders give up. The company runs out of money, morale drops, a founder takes a job offer, and it quietly dissolves. The antidote is simple but hard: just don't quit. If you keep going, keep shipping, keep talking to users, you'll eventually find something that works. The startups that succeed are often the ones that simply refused to die long enough for luck to find them.

The most common cause of failure is giving up, not being defeated. If you can survive — emotionally, financially, motivationally — long enough, you dramatically increase your odds of success. Make your default response to adversity 'what else can we try?' not 'maybe we should stop.'

paulgraham.com/die.html

GIFT NIFTY 24,700.00 +280.00 (+1.15%)

Gap from NIFTY close: **+346 pts** (+1.42%)

INDIAN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHANGE	%
NIFTY 50	24,353.55	+156.80	+0.65%
Sensex	78,493.54	+504.86	+0.65%
Bank NIFTY	56,565.70	+479.30	+0.85%
India VIX	17.21	-0.88	-4.86%

FII / DII Flows

	NET (CR)
FII / FPI	+683
DII	-4,721

India Market Mood: **66** (Greed)

US & GLOBAL MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHANGE	%
S&P 500	7,126.06	+84.78	+1.20%
Nasdaq	24,468.48	+365.78	+1.52%
Dow Jones	49,447.43	+868.71	+1.79%
S&P Futures	7,161.50	+84.50	+1.19%
Nikkei 225	58,475.90	-1,042.44	-1.75%
Hang Seng	26,160.33	-233.93	-0.89%

US Fear & Greed: **68** (greed)

COMMODITIES & FOREX

ASSET	PRICE	CHANGE	%
US 10Y Yield	4.25	-0.06	-1.46%
Gold	4,857.60	+72.20	+1.51%
Silver	81.74	+3.13	+3.98%
Crude Oil	83.85	-10.84	-11.45%
USD/INR	92.57	-0.81	-0.87%

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- GIFT Nifty trading above prev NIFTY close by 346 pts (+1.42%) — signals a gap-up open.
- NIFTY closed mildly positive at +0.65%.
- India VIX at 17.2 — moderate zone.
- FII bought 683 Cr, DII sold 4,721 Cr — foreign money in, domestic booking profits.
- Wall Street closed strong (S&P +1.20%) — positive cue for Asian markets.
- S&P futures pointing higher (+1.19%).
- Gold up +1.51% at \$4,858.
- Crude oil dropped -11.45% — watch energy stocks.
- Rupee strengthened to 92.57 — possible FII inflow signal.

CRYPTO

COIN	PRICE	24H
BTC	\$75,602.00	-2.21%

Fear & Greed Index: **27** (Fear)

- BTC dipping -2.2% — mild correction territory.
- Fear & Greed at 27 (Fear) — sentiment cautious.

HACKER NEWS

1. [Migrating from DigitalOcean to Hetzner](#)

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3. [State of Kdenlive](#)

State of Kdenlive - 2026 In 2025, the Kdenlive team continued grinding to push the project forward through steady development, collaboration, and community support.

333 pts · 112 comments

4. [Why Japan has such good railways](#)

Japan's railways are the finest in the world. Other countries can copy its formula. Japan is the land of the train.

304 pts · 304 comments

5. [The electromechanical angle computer inside the B-52 bomber's star tracker](#)

Before GPS, how did aircraft navigate? One important technique was celestial navigation: navigating from the positions of the stars, planets, or the sun.

267 pts · 77 comments

MARKET NEWS

[Fall in provisions help ICICI Bank's net profit in Q4 FY26](#)

Total advances increased by 16% year-on-year to Rs 15.53 lakh crore at the end of March 2026 led by a 24% growth in business banking and a 26% growth in the rural loan portfolio.

[Network18 Q4 loss at Rs 29.61 crore, revenue up 9.7% to Rs 615.78 cr](#)

The company reported a net loss of 29.09 crore in the January-March quarter a year ago, according to a regulatory filing by Network18 Media, a subsidiary of billionaire Mukesh Ambani-led Reliance Industries Ltd.

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From smelters to servers: Alcoa to cash in on crypto's thirst for energy

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AI is increasingly eating into VC fundings and here is how crypto firms are adapting

AI is increasingly eating into VC fundings and here is how crypto firms are adapting AI companies raised \$242 billion (80% of global venture funding) in early 2026, with Gartner projecting total AI spending will reach \$2.52 trillion this year.

Binance and Bitget to probe RAVE's 4,500% token surge as claims of insider-orchestrated rally grow

Binance and Bitget to probe RAVE's 4,500% token surge as claims of insider-orchestrated rally grow Nearly 90% of RAVE's supply was concentrated in just three wallets, and millions of tokens were transferred to exchanges before the price surge.

TECH & STARTUPS

Tesla brings its robotaxi service to Dallas and Houston

Tesla is expanding its robotaxi service to Dallas and Houston, according to a social media post from the company.

VC Ron Conway says he has a 'rare form of cancer'

Longtime venture capitalist Ron Conway said Friday that he was "recently diagnosed with a rare form of cancer." In a post on X, Conway wrote that he "will be stepping back from some of my usual activities," but he will "continue to support" founders...

AI chip startup Cerebras files for IPO

Cerebras Systems, a startup building what CEO Andrew Feldman describes as "the fastest AI hardware for training and inference," has filed to go public.

Anthropic's relationship with the Trump administration seems to be thawing

Despite recently being designated a supply-chain risk by the Pentagon, Anthropic is still talking to high-level members of the Trump administration.

The App Store is booming again, and AI may be why

Everyone said AI would kill apps. Instead, new app launches are soaring.
