

MORNING BRIEF

Thursday, 14 May 2026

BHAGAVAD GITA — VERSE 1.12 (12/12)

*tasya sanjanayanharsham kuruvriddhah pitamahah
simhanadam vinadyochchaih shankham dadhmau pratapavan*

Then, to cheer Duryodhana, the mighty grandsire Bhishma, the oldest of the Kuru warriors, roared like a lion and blew his conch loudly.

Even great souls can be bound by misplaced loyalty. Sometimes our commitments need re-examination against higher principles.

LAW 48: ASSUME FORMLESSNESS (48/48)

By taking a shape, by having a visible plan, you open yourself to attack. Instead of taking a form for your enemy to grasp, keep yourself adaptable and on the move. The best way to protect yourself is to be as fluid and formless as water.

PAUL GRAHAM — DESIGN AND RESEARCH (96/97)

Design and research are more similar than people think — both involve exploring a space of possibilities to find something good. The key difference: in research, you're looking for truth; in design, you're looking for what works. But the process is the same — iterative exploration with taste as the guide. The best researchers have the taste of designers, and the best designers have the rigor of researchers.

Whether you're designing a product or researching a problem, the core skill is the same: iterative exploration guided by taste. Develop both rigor (knowing when something is correct) and taste (knowing when something is good). The combination is rare and extremely valuable.

paulgraham.com/desres.html

GIFT NIFTY 23,556.00 +132.50 (+0.57%)

Gap from NIFTY close: **+176 pts** (+0.75%)

INDIAN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHANGE	%
NIFTY 50	23,379.55	-436.30	-1.83%
Sensex	74,559.24	-1,456.04	-1.92%
Bank NIFTY	53,555.20	-884.70	-1.63%
India VIX	19.28	+0.73	+3.94%

FII / DII Flows

	NET (CR)
FII / FPI	-4,703
DII	+5,869

India Market Mood: **59** (Neutral)

US & GLOBAL MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHANGE	%
S&P 500	7,444.25	+43.29	+0.58%
Nasdaq	26,402.34	+314.14	+1.20%
Dow Jones	49,693.20	-67.36	-0.14%
S&P Futures	7,483.25	+56.75	+0.76%
Nikkei 225	63,695.54	+952.97	+1.52%
Hang Seng	26,347.91	-58.93	-0.22%

US Fear & Greed: **66** (greed)

COMMODITIES & FOREX

ASSET	PRICE	CHANGE	%
US 10Y Yield	4.48	+0.02	+0.40%
Gold	4,695.90	+18.30	+0.39%
Silver	87.81	+2.68	+3.15%
Crude Oil	101.09	-1.09	-1.07%
USD/INR	95.62	-0.01	-0.01%

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- GIFT Nifty trading above prev NIFTY close by 176 pts (+0.75%) — signals a gap-up open.
- NIFTY dropped -1.83% — heavy selling.
- India VIX at 19.3 — moderate zone.
- FII sold 4,703 Cr, DII bought 5,869 Cr — domestic absorbing foreign outflows.
- Wall Street closed strong (S&P +0.58%) — positive cue for Asian markets.
- S&P futures pointing higher (+0.76%).
- Crude oil dropped -1.07% — watch energy stocks.

CRYPTO

COIN	PRICE	24H
BTC	\$79,572.00	-1.84%

Fear & Greed Index: **34** (Fear)

- BTC dipping -1.8% — mild correction territory.
- Fear & Greed at 34 (Fear) — sentiment cautious.

HACKER NEWS

1. [I moved my digital stack to Europe](#)

How I Moved My Digital Stack to Europe On digital sovereignty, and why European cloud is better than you think April 29, 2026 10 min.

883 pts · 536 comments

2. Leaving GitHub for Forgejo

On April 27, 2026 the Dutch Ministry of the Interior soft-launched code.overheid.nl, a self-hosted Forgejo instance for Dutch government source code.

524 pts · 281 comments

3. Setting up a free *.city.state.us locality domain (2025)

tl;dr In the US, can get a domain name like somename.city.state.us for free.

483 pts · 154 comments

4. Open Source Resistance: keep OSS alive on company time

Do the work Review PRs, update dependencies and ship fixes where your work is already OSS. Open Source Resistance The Open Source software you rely on at work is already maintained by people working at your organisation or another.

245 pts · 78 comments

5. Princeton mandates proctoring for in-person exams, upending 133 year precedent

All in-person examinations at Princeton will be proctored starting July 1, representing the most significant change to the honor system since it was established in 1893.

240 pts · 342 comments

MARKET NEWS

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

STATE OF THE MARKETS - Tech View: The daily RSI continues to remain in a bearish crossover, suggesting that the negative momentum is still intact. On the upside, the 23,500 zone continues to act as a strong resistance level.

Stocks in news: HAL, TMPV, Bharti Airtel, Anant Raj, Zydus Life, Tata Motors

In today's trade, shares of HAL, TMPV, Bharti Airtel, Anant Raj, Zydus Life, Tata Motors among others will be in focus due to various news developments and other quarterly results.

Global Market Today: Asian stocks, US futures climb on tech optimism

A gauge of regional stocks edged 0.1% higher after US benchmarks closed at record highs. A strong outlook by Cisco Systems Inc. lifted Nasdaq 100 futures contracts 0.5%, reinforcing the bullish narrative for the technology sector.

Oil edges up ahead of Trump-Xi meeting in Beijing

Brent crude futures were up 13 cents, or 0.12%, to \$105.76 a barrel by 0015 GMT, while U.S. West Texas Intermediate futures rose 12 cents, or 0.12%, to \$101.14.

Metal stocks shine as global base metal rally lifts investor sentiment

The Nifty Metal index rose 3.2%, while the benchmark Nifty edged up 0.1%. Of the 15 index constituents, 14 advanced, led by steel and non-ferrous players.

CRYPTO NEWS

Ethereum app builder Consensys has delayed its potential IPO until fall

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The Protocol: Solana's 'Alpenglow' upgrade is live for testing

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Metaplanet delays preferred share listing amid challenging Japanese market structure

Metaplanet delays preferred share listing amid challenging Japanese market structure CEO Simon Gerovich says regulatory and infrastructure challenges are slowing the launch of Metaplanet's perpetual preferred share.

UK parliament to probe Nigel Farage's \$6.8 million donation from crypto billionaire

UK parliament to probe Nigel Farage's \$6.8 million donation from crypto billionaire If found guilty of violating the Parliamentary code of conduct, the Reform UK party leader could be suspended from the House of Commons.

Bitcoin buyers with long-term 'conviction' surges 300% with most recent buyers sitting on profits

Bitcoin buyers with long-term 'conviction' surges 300% with most recent buyers sitting on profits Bitcoin held by so-called conviction buyers has surged to nearly 4 million BTC, a roughly 300% increase since late 2025.

TECH & STARTUPS

Notion just turned its workspace into a hub for AI agents

Productivity software maker Notion is stepping into the agentic era.

Musk's xAI is running nearly 50 gas turbines unchecked at its Mississippi data center

Elon Musk's xAI is running nearly 50 natural gas turbines at its Mississippi data center, power plants that the state is currently not regulating thanks to a loophole.

Anthropic's Cat Wu says that, in the future, AI will anticipate your needs before you know what they are

With the tech industry singularly focused on AI models, Anthropic is having an exceptionally good year.

This is what some of the world's largest banks of malware look like stacked as hard drives

Malware research group vx-underground, which says it has the largest collection of malware source code, said in a post on X that its archive of data amounts to about 30 terabytes.

Geothermal startup Fervo Energy pops 33% in IPO debut fueled by AI data center demand

Fervo Energy, the geothermal energy startup, saw its market valuation surpass \$10 billion in its public market debut, an increase driven by demand for AI data centers — and the energy that can power them.
