MORNING BRIEF

MARKETS - GROUND SERIES - ONE USEFUL IDEA

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WHAT MATTERS THIS MORNING

01 GIFT Nifty is 140 points above the previous NIFTY close (+0.58%).

02 Institutional flows: FII +408 Cr; DII +3,974 Cr.

03 Overnight US: S&P 500 +0.21%; Nasdaq +0.16%.

04 Macro moves: Gold +4.37%.

MARKET CONTEXT

INDIA

INDEX	CLOSE	CHANGE
NIFTY 50	24,078.30	-0.32%
Bank NIFTY	57,239.75	-0.04%
India VIX	11.32	-0.61%

OVERNIGHT

INDEX	CLOSE	CHANGE
S&P 500	7,707.98	+0.21%
Nasdaq	26,331.09	+0.16%
S&P Futures	7,743.00	+0.38%
Nikkei 225	66,143.04	+1.25%

CRUDE OIL	GOLD	USD/INR	TQQQ	BTC
84.69	**4,556.90**	**95.82**	**$72.06**	**$69,298**
-0.29%	+4.37%	+0.13%	-0.65%	+7.53%

GROUND SERIES WATCH

INDUSTRIAL AI

TerraPower’s nuclear reactor has a secret weapon for powering AI data centers

Nuclear power startups have been pitching themselves as the antidote to what ails AI data centers: power that’s always...

MANUFACTURING

Escorts Kubota announces Rs 2,000 cr investment on new plant in UP

The plant to be developed across 154 acres at Sector 10, Gautam Buddha Nagar, in the industrial area of the Yamuna...

ROBOTICS

Waymo’s cheaper, next-gen robotaxi is now open to all riders in these three cities

Waymo has opened its next-generation robotaxi to all riders in Los Angeles, Phoenix, and San Francisco - a notable milestone...

ONE OTHER DEVELOPMENT

MARKETS

Rupee falls to a 3-week low of 95.71, raising financial concerns

The RBI has consistently intervened for the past nine trading sessions, arresting weakness in the rupee, as oil...

THREE IDEAS, ONE LINE EACH

GITA — True confidence doesn't come from superior resources alone. Inner strength matters more than external advantages. Don't let fear drive you to...

POWER — Never Put Too Much Trust in Friends, Learn How to Use Enemies: Be wary of friends-they will betray you more quickly, for they are easily aroused to envy.

READING — Regularly ask: do I actually want this, or do I want to be seen wanting this? Strip away social approval and ask what remains. Many of...

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