

'India likely to be first to sign trade deal with Washington'

PTI, NEW YORK/ WASHINGTON: US Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent has said he expects India to strike the first bilateral trade deal to avoid President Donald Trump's reciprocal tariffs, according to the New York Post.

TARIFF BYPASS

A 26% 'reciprocal' tariff on Indian exports to the US is currently on a 90-day pause, set to expire on July 8. However, like other countries, India is presently sub-

ject to a 10% tariff under the existing policy. According to the New York Post, Bessent told a roundtable of about a dozen reporters on Wednesday that trade talks with India are "very close" to reaching a successful conclusion because the world's most populous nation doesn't have "so many high tariffs."

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US Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent speaks during the International Finance Institute Global Outlook Forum at the Willard InterContinental Washington on Wednesday, in Washington, DC

to American goods, as well as eliminate US trade deficits, the New York Post said. Earlier on Tuesday, US

Vice President JD Vance in Jaipur urged India to drop non-tariff barriers, give greater access to its markets and buy more American energy and military hardware as he laid out a broader roadmap of deeper ties between the two nations for a "prosperous and peaceful" 21st century.

The New York Post quoted data from Census Bureau to say that India accounted for nearly 3% of imported goods to the US as of February. The US had a \$45.7 billion trade deficit with India in 2024, according to the Office of the US Trade Representative.

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A vlogger who dressed up to look like a humanoid robot poses at the Shanghai auto show on Thursday

BSE CEO cautions investors: 'Regulations alone can't save you if you don't protect yourself'

KOLKATA: Stressing the need for investor awareness and responsibility, BSE Managing Director and CEO Sundararaman Ramamurthy on Thursday said that regulations alone cannot protect investors if they do not take adequate precautions while investing. "You trade what you understand, and you understand what you trade — if you don't do that, you have a problem," Ramamurthy said, urging investors to be vigilant and informed. He criticised the tendency of investors to rely on hearsay rather than due diligence. "You scan a vegetable before you buy it, but when you invest your life's earnings, you go by hearsay — that's not how it should be," he said. On regulatory expectations, the BSE chief remarked that there is a general perception that regulators are blamed when investors lose money, but when markets do well the same person praise their own knowledge. "If you don't want to safeguard yourself, no amount of regulation can save you. Be alert," he stressed.

currency		bullion	
US Dollar	85.31	Silver (Rs/Kg)	97,349
British Pound	113.56	Gold (Rs/10gm)	95,650
Euro	96.95		
Russian Ruble	1.02		
Kuwaiti Dinar	278.27		
Bahraini Dinar	226.90		
Qatari Riyal	23.43		
Emirati Dirham	23.23		
Omani Rial	221.58		
		markets	
		Sensex	79801.43
		Nifty	24246.70

Global trade could slide this year: WTO

AP, GENEVA: The World Trade Organisation says the volume of trade in goods worldwide is likely to decrease by 0.2% this year due to US President Donald Trump's shifting tariff policies and a stand-off with China, but it would take a more severe hit if Trump carries through on his toughest "reciprocal" tariffs.

TRUMP'S TARIFFS

The decline in trade will be particularly steep in North America even without the stiffest tariffs, the global trade forum said Wednesday, with exports there this year expected to fall by 12.6% and imports by 9.6%. The WTO based its report on the tariff situation as of Monday. Initially, 2025 and 2026 were expected to have continued expansion of world trade, but Trump's trade war forced WTO economists to substantially downgrade their forecast, the forum said. Trade in goods worldwide would slump by 1.5% if Trump follows through on his stiffest tariffs on most nations, and Mexico about tariffs on their goods.

China denies talks with US to reach deal on tariffs

PTI, BEIJING: China on Thursday denied any talks with the US to reach a deal on tariffs, saying that there is "no factual basis" for any claims of progress in the bilateral talks.

"China and the US are not having consultation or negotiation on tariffs, still less reaching a deal," Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Guo Jiakun told a media briefing here, reacting to reports that China and the US are having talks and are even about to reach a deal.

"This tariff war was launched by the US. China's position is consistent and clear. We will fight if it is a must. Our doors are open if the US wants to talk; dialogue and negotiation must be based on equality, respect, and mutual benefit," Guo said.

Separately, China's Commerce Ministry has also refuted reports about the US-China talks to reach a deal on tariffs, saying there is "no factual basis" for such reports.

Replying to questions at a media briefing, the ministry's spokesperson, He Yadong, said, "If the US truly wants to resolve the issue, it should heed rational voices from the international community and domestic stakeholders, completely abolish all unilateral tariffs on China, and find a solution through equal dialogue."

Safety assessment rating for heavy vehicles on lines of Bharat NCAP soon: Gadkari

PTI, NEW DELHI: The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways is planning to launch safety assessment rating for trucks and heavy commercial vehicles on the lines of Bharat NCAP (New Car Assessment Programme), the country's own crash testing programme, Union Minister Nitin Gadkari said on Thursday.

Addressing an event organised by the New Car Assessment Program (GNCAP) and the Institute of Road Traffic Education (IRTE), Gadkari said the idea is to encourage manufacturers to improve the production quality making vehicles more safe.

The road transport and highways minister further said the government is already working on standards and safety assessment system for battery-operated e-rickshaws in the country as they suffer from safety issues.

The safety improvement in e-rickshaws will improve their quality and generate more employment, he added.

In 2023, Gadkari had launched the Bharat NCAP (New Car Assessment Programme), which is aimed at improving

proving at road safety standards of motors vehicles up to 3.5 tonnes.

He said India accounts for the highest number of fatal road accidents with 4.8 lakh road crashes each year resulting in 1.8 lakh deaths.

The government's top priority is road safety, expansion of safe highways and vehicle safety and bolstering electric vehicles, Gadkari added.

He said the government is also working on reducing logistics cost to 9% in the next couple of years from the present 14-16%.

Gadkari also said the road ministry is also working on a law to determine the working hours for truck drivers as they drive 13-14 hours a day at present.

Bengaluru firm unveils tech to recycle plastic that can't be melted

PTI, BENGALURU: In a breakthrough for plastic recycling and sustainable manufacturing, Bengaluru-based Steer World has unveiled the Omega Twin-Screw Extrusion Technology, which could help manufacturers recycle plastics that cannot be melted.

Steer World, headquartered in the Peenya Industrial Area of Bengaluru, specialises in materials transformation technologies.

Speaking to PTI, Prakash Hadimani, Global Head of the Application Development Centre at Steer World, said that although it is technically possible to break down polymers in such plastic waste—also called thermoset waste—using chemicals, the process is intensive, expensive, and environmentally unfriendly. Even bulk producers preferred discarding the waste rather than recycling it.

Crosslinked polyethylene (XLPE)—such as the outer layer of cables that covers copper wire—has long been considered non-recyclable. Traditionally, major players sold these wires in bulk as scrap. Buyers of the scrap would extract the copper and dispose of the shredded plastic, which ends up in landfills

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"The process involved chemicals and extensive use of water to neutralise them, making it neither viable nor eco-friendly," Hadimani added. With Steer World's new technology, he said, it is now possible to break the carbon linkages, softening the polymer into a melt-able form.

"The Omega Twin-Screw Extrusion uses our patented Fractional Geometry Technology (FGT) to re-

cycle thermoset waste into pellet form," he said.

The technology uses a combination of mechanical shear and controlled heat to break the crosslinks in XLPE while preserving its base structure, enabling it to be turned into a reusable form called De-XLPE (Decrosslinked XLPE), Hadimani explained.

De-XLPE can then be used to produce insulation for wires, thus enabling circularity in polymer manufacturing, he added.

"With this process, we're not just recycling—we're redefining what's recyclable," said Hadimani.

"The ability to reclaim and reintegrate thermoset materials like XLPE is a breakthrough the industry has been waiting for," he said.

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Vacancy for Cashier for Jimmy's Supermarket in Siliom. Full time and part time. Kindly send CV on whatsapp 8411892216.

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Wanted Sr. Customer service executives. salary 18k-22k Jr. Customer service executives, salary 12-15k for a multibrand automobile service outlet based in Aggacaim Contact: 9545511767

2025011774

Position vacant for Female Staff Secretary /Desk Job at Consultancy office in Patto Panaji. Need fresher only. Contact with CV on Whatsapp 7057525252 for interview.

2025011776

Wanted urgently cashier, waiters, goan cook and all-round cook for a bar and restaurant in fatorda margao 9850472962

2025011780

Wanted office assistant for reputed NGO in St Inez-Panjim. Freshers welcome. Must have own transport for errands in the city. Please WhatsApp CV to 9922642059. No calls, please.

2025011838

Skilled Cutting Master and Tailor wanted in Margao. Contact 9822600300

2025011844

Road Facing Furnished Shop @ Shirvoddem, Navelim; Area 32 Sq.mt double height on ground floor with Liquor License for Sale. Contact 9922915850

2025011845

Freshers Apply! Tuition Center requires Female Office Assistant and Female Tutor (English- History Geography). Honest/ 21 Years/ freshers/ hardworking/ dedicated females. WhatsApp CV: 7758087613 (Margao)

2025011846

Wanted Civil Engineer with 1-2 years experience to handle construction sites and plots development works. Candidates in and around Margao will be preferred. Freshers can also apply. Contact: 7020862323 for interview

2025011847

Wanted experienced, part-time, female Accountant (knowledge of Tally, GST filing, Billing) for Advertising agency, from in/around Porvorim, flexible work hours. Call 9764706686 (office hours) or email resumé to info@printersdev-il.in

2025011849

Job Vacancy!! We are looking for a office female assistant for a travel agency in Navelim Salary (10,000-15,000) +incentives Qualification-graduated please contact 7558367679

2025011850

Required Beautician to work for a Reputed Salon at Benaullim. Good Salary Contact 9930898333 / 9175872719

2025011870

Urgently Required Tandoori, Chinese, Continental, Kitchen Helpers, Dish Cleaner, Waiters, Bartender, Security, Goan Cook, Accountant, for Restaurants in South Goa Benaullim. Call: 8605951791/ 9850829986/ 8378860808/ 9822389177

2025011871

Walk in Interview for the post of One Grade I teacher for 45 days temporary Basis to teach Geology, Qlty: M.Sc.B.Ed. interview on 03/05/2025 at 09.00am to 01.00pm along with application and original certificates. in Aim higher secondary school Rumbadamol, Davorlim Goa. Contact 9284329745, 9637505577

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Wanted female Receptionist for dental clinic in Porvorim. Should be fluent in English. Contact 7038389454.

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Wanted Order Boy for South Goa Pharma Distributor. Salary 15000/- . Call: 9637300306

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Baker cum Pastry Chef needed for a new opening bakery in Carmona, South Goa. Good salary, accommodation, food provided. Please contact 8180977990

2025011877

Hotel Park Plaza, Panjim requires Room boy and Sweeper (female), timing 9 am to 6 pm, Salary Rs. 12,500/- ESIC and PF. Candidates May call: 9420690007

2025011878

Wanted urgently waiters with good English and all-round cooks for a bar and restaurant at Calangute Beach Road contact 9822182578

2025011884

Experienced Waiter urgently required for a restaurant in South Goa. Food & Accommodation provided. Good Salary, Call 9657719242/ 7499406765

2025011885

Female Office Assistant / Office Girl minimum HSSC required for Advocate cum Notary's office in Margao. Contact: 9158091125

2025011890

We are looking for part time Cook/ House help for Muslim family around Shantinagar, Navelim, salary minimum 3000+ Please Contact or What'sapp 9545922170/ 9112153771

2025011892

Wanted sales girl for a cake shop in Margao Benaullim Navelim .9637912721

2025011898

Wanted store manager/cashier for Millennium Farm shop at Margao. Timing 8am to 2pm then 4pm to 8pm Contact 8975909909/7620216472.

2025011899

Wanted urgently Indian Cooks, Tandoori Cooks, Waiters for Reputed Restaurant in Vasco. Contact: 9890412725.

2025011903

Urgently required 15 Candidates for MNC Company in Margao for their office, Age 25+ years, minimum qualification 12th pass. Fix pay 30000/- Preferred NRIs, Sailors, Rtd. Employees, Housewives, Bankers. Contact: 9657793667 / 8857962173.

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Required urgently students full/ part time. Can generate pocket money. What'sapp CV 8788281475 for interview PVI Palace Paulina Business hub Vidyannagar margao Goa between 10am to 12.00am.

2025011906

Wanted (M/F) with pastry classes experience to work for cafe in Donapaula. Training will be Provided. Salary: 17000/-Contact: 8806448765

2025011908

Immediately Required - Kitchen help for cafe in Colva. Fixed Salary, Service Tips & meals provided. Contact- 9049263524

2025011910

Urgently Wanted Female Child Caretaker having Portuguese Passport. Preferably Goan Candidate should be dedicated & responsible Child Caretaker. Attractive salary package. Free accommodation & meals provided. Interested candidates contact via WhatsApp: + 9 1 8 8 8 9 9 3 5 3 7 □ , +41766517272□

2025011911

Required Roomboys, Housekeep- ing staff & Receptionist for a Resort in Colva. Contact: 7380775533

2025011913

Wanted Truck Driver, Tempo Driver with badge & Audio Engineer in Panaji. Interested contact 8806014400

2025011914

Wanted male helper, min salary 12000, in 2shifts, 7am-7pm and 11am-11pm for perfumery factory in Cuncoim Industrial Estate. Accommodation available. (min 10th pass) contact : 9763682436.

2025011916

SITUATIONS VACANT

Wanted Accounts Executive with knowledge in tally and work experience of 5 yrs. Contact Sitara Motors Pvt Ltd. 9371885530 or apply at nrahul72@hotmail.com

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Wanted: Graphic Designer Passionate Graphic Designer with Canva skills needed in/around Quepem for a Reputed Retail Firm. Must be eager to grow in the industry. Salary: [12,000. Call/WhatsApp your profile on 9359396115

2025011912

Office Boy, Office Executive and Receptionist Clerk required. Attend interview within 3 days between 10 am to 12 noon at GCC, office no 104, First Floor , Above Navara Hotel, Opp Ktc bus Stand, Margao. 9881788888

2025011917

Wanted 2/3 Male Office Staff for packing and dispatching work, in an around Margao. Qualification: 12th Pass or higher.Salary: [13,000/- per month. Timings: Mon-Sat, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM & 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM. Contact: 9822585035/ 7020281945

2025011918

Urgently required All Rounder for a Restaurant in Navelim. Provided with good salary & food.Contact:7972762352/9823216597

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PRAYER TO HOLY SPIRIT

Holy Spirit, You who makes me see everything and You showed me the way to reach my ideals, You who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget the wrong that is done to me and You who are in all instances of my life with me. I want to thank You for everything and confirm once more that I never want to be separated from You no matter how great the material desire may be. I want to be with You and my loved ones in Your perpetual glory. Amen!!

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VEHICLES AVAILABLE

Royal Enfield Electra for sale, 2017 model. Location Corlim, Old Goa. Contact 9823922159

2025011646

Nri royal enfield 350CC 1990(antique original) black 62008km new tyre Glossy paint RTO passing 2029 showroom condition 9326811763 .

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Nri Tata safari 4x2 7 seater gold only 65008km new tyres mag wheels luxury interior p/steering, p/ windows, cd, c/locking, rto passing 2027 excellent condition 7066811804.

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Margao Railway stand e-cello taxi for sale 769811804 Betalbatim.

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