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"An index can stand perfectly still while everything inside it moves."
**— a working rule of thumb**

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## Twenty-Five Up, Twenty-Five Down

On Tuesday's monthly expiry the Nifty 50 closed at 22,749.75, down 3.45 points or 0.02% - and its fifty constituents split EXACTLY twenty-five higher against twenty-five lower. Around that stillness the market moved hard. The Smallcap 100 rose 2.69% with seventy-seven of its hundred constituents up, the Midcap 100 1.00% and the Next 50 1.30%. Nifty Media rose 3.66%, the best of the fifteen sectoral indices, ending a six-session losing run; the three bank indices all fell. Foreign investors BOUGHT a net Rs 4,240.39 crore and domestic institutions SOLD Rs 1,250.03 crore, both reversing Monday. India VIX fell 4.41% to 16.40, ending six consecutive rises. And NSE's published dividend yield moved for the first time in ten sessions - downward, across the index family, and still without an explanation.

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# Global Market Setup

THE NSE OCTOBER MONTHLY EXPIRY PRODUCED AN ALMOST PERFECTLY FLAT INDEX OVER A MARKET THAT WAS ANYTHING BUT. The Nifty 50 fell 3.45 points or 0.02% to 22,749.75 with its constituents split EXACTLY 25 up and 25 down. Beneath it the Smallcap 100 rose 2.69% to 18,468.70 on internal breadth of 77 up against 23 down, the Midcap 100 1.00% on 67 against 33, the Next 50 1.30% and the Nifty 500 0.58%. ELEVEN OF THE FIFTEEN SECTORAL INDICES ROSE, led by Media at 3.66% - the best of the fifteen, ending a six-session losing run - with Realty 1.94% and Pharma 1.91% behind it. The four that fell were Private Bank at 0.73%, Bank Nifty at 0.72%, Financial Services at 0.62% and Information Technology at 0.26%, so the drag was concentrated in exactly the places the index is heaviest. THE FLOWS REVERSED HARD: foreign investors bought a net Rs 4,240.39 crore and domestic institutions sold Rs 1,250.03 crore. India VIX fell 4.41% to 16.40. Today Jio Platforms and Paras Healthcare both list at 10am and the Federal Open Market Committee decides tonight.

**Nifty 50 (Prev. Close)**
22,749.75
**-0.02% (Tue, -3.45 pts)**
Constituents split exactly 25 / 25

**Sensex (Prev. Close)**
73,598.67
**-0.01% (Tue, -8.08 pts)**
BSE index; a conflicting 73,598.87 rejected

**Nifty Smallcap 100**
18,468.70
**+2.69% (Tue)**
Internal breadth 77 up, 23 down

**Sectoral indices up**
11 of 15
**From 13 of 15 on Monday**
The four fallers were banks and IT

**Nifty Media**
1,615.05
**+3.66% (Tue)**
Best of fifteen; ends a six-session run

**Nifty Private Bank**
26,628.45
**-0.73% (Tue)**
Weakest; Bank Nifty -0.72%

**FII Cash (Tue, net)**
+Rs. 4,240.39 cr
**Bought 24,517.65, sold 20,277.26**
Reverses Monday; an expiry session

**DII Cash (Tue, net)**
-Rs. 1,250.03 cr
**Bought 15,702.74, sold 16,952.77**
Also reverses Monday

**India VIX (Prev. Close)**
16.40
**-4.41% (Tue, -0.76)**
Ends six consecutive rises

**Nifty Next 50**
67,343.95
**+1.30% (Tue)**
Midcap 100 +1.00%, Nifty 500 +0.58%

**Nifty 50 P/E**
19.07
**From 19.18 on 26 October**
P/B 2.79, unchanged

**F&O ban list**
1 name
**SAIL only, from three**
NSE's own published list

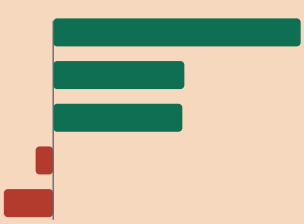
**Jio Platforms**
Lists today
**10am, both exchanges**
Issue price Rs 1,119

**GIFT Nifty (Wed 08:41)**
22,624.00
**-0.33% vs its own settlement**
Rolled to the 23 Nov contract

*THE PREVIOUS SESSION IS TUESDAY, 27 OCTOBER 2026 - the NSE October monthly derivatives expiry. Every Indian index level and percentage here - Nifty 50, Next 50, Bank Nifty, Midcap 100, Smallcap 100, MidSmallcap 400, Nifty 500, all fifteen sectoral indices, India VIX and the Nifty 50 P/E and P/B - is Tuesday's close from NSE's own official dated index close file. THE INTERNAL BREADTH COUNTS ARE BACK THIS MORNING AND THAT IS DELIBERATE: yesterday's edition had to omit the Nifty 50's internal advance-decline count because the publish run could not reach the pipeline until after the pre-open auction had rolled the live feed to the new session. Today's run read the feed at 08:43 IST, before 09:00, and captured the Nifty 50's 25 up and 25 down together with the Midcap 100's 67 against 33 and the Smallcap 100's 77 against 23 - all the exchange's own. The FII and DII figures are NSE's own provisional cash data. THE FLOW FIGURES CARRY ONE CAVEAT THAT IS NOT A SOURCING CAVEAT: Tuesday was a monthly expiry, and expiry sessions distort cash-market flow data in ways this page cannot separate out, so the figures are reported and nothing is built on them. GIFT Nifty has ROLLED TO THE 23 NOVEMBER CONTRACT following the expiry, so its quote is not comparable with the October contract carried in recent editions, and it is labelled accordingly. No live 28 October quote for any market appears anywhere in this edition.*

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# Sectors, Movers, Flows and Breadth

## Sectoral indices, prior session



*Sectoral levels and percentages are the TUESDAY, 27 October close from NSE's own official dated close file. ELEVEN OF THE FIFTEEN ROSE. The eleven, in order: Media 3.66% to 1,615.05, Realty 1.94% to 805.05, Pharma 1.91% to 26,267.25, Healthcare 1.65% to 15,917.60, Auto 1.48% to 25,340.80, Consumer Durables 1.19% to 34,254.80, FMCG 0.74% to 43,118.20, Energy 0.68% to 35,261.85, Metal 0.64% to 11,806.70, PSU Bank 0.41% to 8,126.70 and Oil and Gas 0.14% to 10,536.00. THE FOUR THAT FELL ARE THE WHOLE EXPLANATION OF A FLAT INDEX: Private Bank 0.73% to 26,628.45, Bank Nifty 0.72% to 53,974.90, Financial Services 0.62% to 24,303.75 and Information Technology 0.26% to 32,189.45 - between them the heaviest weights the Nifty 50 carries. READ THE TOP OF THE LIST AGAINST LAST WEEK: Media had fallen for six consecutive sessions and was the one index this page kept reporting as the place the selling had not stopped. It rose 3.66% on Tuesday, the best of the fifteen. Media is also the smallest of the fifteen and moves on few names, which is worth remembering before reading much into a single session.*

## Top gainers




## Top losers

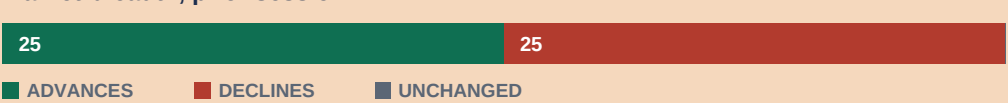



*NO STOCK-LEVEL MOVER TABLE IS PRINTED TODAY, AND THE PANELS CARRY SECTORS INSTEAD, LABELLED AS SUCH. The reason is the session itself: the Nifty 50 split exactly twenty-five up against twenty-five down and closed 3.45 points lower, so a five-name gainers list and a five-name losers list would both be drawn from a nearly flat index and would imply a dispersion the index did not have. What actually explains Tuesday is sectoral, and it is printed directly: eleven of fifteen indices rose, and the four that fell - Private Bank, Bank Nifty, Financial Services and Information Technology - are between them the heaviest weights the index carries. That is the whole arithmetic of a flat headline over a market where the Smallcap 100 rose 2.69% on seventy-seven advancing constituents. Individual movers return when the session's dispersion makes them the better description. ONE POINT RECORDED RATHER THAN ASSERTED: two research runs on consecutive mornings have given OPPOSITE answers on whether BSE Ltd is a Nifty 50 constituent - one stating it replaced Wipro effective 30 September 2026, the other stating it is not a member. No stock table is printed today, so nothing here depends on it; the conflict is noted so that it is settled against the exchange's own constituent file before any mover table runs again.*

## Cash-market flows, prior session (Rs crore)




## Market breadth, prior session




ADVANCES DECLINES UNCHANGED

*THE THREE ROWS DISAGREE COMPLETELY AND THAT DISAGREEMENT IS TUESDAY'S WHOLE STORY. The Nifty 50's own constituents split EXACTLY twenty-five up against twenty-five down - the exchange's own count, read at 08:43 IST this morning, before the pre-open auction rolled the feed. One index below it, the Smallcap 100 ran seventy-seven up against twenty-three down, and the Midcap 100 sixty-seven against thirty-three; both counts are from the same feed and the same reading. Eleven of the fifteen sectoral indices rose, derived from the exchange's own dated close file. A market in which roughly three stocks in four are rising across the broad indices, while the headline index splits down the middle and closes 3.45 points lower, is a market whose weight sits somewhere other than its breadth - and on Tuesday that weight was in the four sectoral indices that fell, all of them financials or technology. The all-market count of 2,455 advances against 1,103 declines is from a compilation that names the NSE and is attributed as such - it is the only row in this panel that is not first-party, and it points the same way as the two that are. TAKE THE PANEL AS A WHOLE: 2,455 stocks rising against 1,103 falling, the Smallcap 100 at seventy-seven up against twenty-three, and the Nifty 50 split exactly down the middle at twenty-five each. The index was flat because of where the weight sits, not because the market was quiet.*

### Valuation context

**NIFTY 50 P/E**
19.07
*27 Oct close, NSE official dated file*

**NIFTY 50 P/B**
2.79
*27 Oct close, same file*

*THE DIVIDEND YIELD MOVED ON TUESDAY FOR THE FIRST TIME IN TEN SESSIONS, AND IT MOVED DOWN. This publication has withheld NSE's published dividend yield since 9 October, when the series stepped UP across almost the entire index family - 120 of 145 indices by more than two percent - while the price-earnings and price-to-book of those same indices continued to move only with price. On Tuesday, of the 145 indices carried in both Monday's and Tuesday's files, SEVENTY moved by more than two percent and SIXTY-NINE OF THOSE SEVENTY FELL, with a median change across the whole family of minus 1.92%. Nifty Information Technology went from 3.52 to 2.89, a fall of 17.9%, on a price move of minus 0.26%; the Nifty 50 from 1.51 to 1.43 on a price move of minus 0.02%. IT IS NOT A RETURN TO THE STARTING POINT: the Nifty 50 read 1.24 on 8 October, stepped to about 1.52, held for ten sessions and has now come part of the way back. Searches of NSE Indices' press-release listing, its dividend-yield page, its methodology and NSE's circular archive were run again this morning and again found no announcement, no effective date and no erratum. A SERIES THAT STEPS IN BOTH DIRECTIONS WITHOUT EXPLANATION IS NOT MORE PUBLISHABLE THAN ONE THAT STEPPED IN ONE, so the figure is withheld for an ELEVENTH session. The P/E of 19.07 and price-to-book of 2.79 ARE printed, because both moved with the index as they should, from 19.18 and 2.79 on 26 October. Separately and in one sentence: the valuation ordering this page closed yesterday reappeared on Tuesday, the five indices ranked by multiple moving in exactly that order again. It is recorded with no causal claim and no further weight, because an observation that comes and goes is a curiosity rather than a finding.*

## WHAT THE DATA SHOWS

Tuesday's expiry session is best described by two numbers that sit beside each other and disagree. THE FIRST IS MINUS 3.45 POINTS. The Nifty 50 closed at 22,749.75, down 0.02% - as close to unchanged as an index gets - and its fifty constituents finished EXACTLY TWENTY-FIVE UP AND TWENTY-FIVE DOWN. That is not a figure of speech; it is the exchange's own count, read before this morning's pre-open.

THE SECOND IS PLUS 2.69 PERCENT. That is the Smallcap 100, which rose on internal breadth of seventy-seven constituents up against twenty-three down. The Midcap 100 rose 1.00% on sixty-seven against thirty-three, the Next 50 1.30% and the Nifty 500 0.58%.

A market in which three stocks in four are rising and the headline index does not move is a market where the weight is in the wrong place for the index to notice - and on Tuesday the weight was in the banks. Private Bank fell 0.73%, Bank Nifty 0.72%, Financial Services 0.62% and Information Technology 0.26%.

Those four were the only sectoral indices to fall out of fifteen, and between them they carry most of the index. WHAT ROSE HARDEST WAS WHAT HAD FALLEN LONGEST. Nifty Media rose 3.66%, the best of the fifteen, after six consecutive sessions lower - the one index this page had been reporting as the place last week's selling had not stopped.

It stopped. Realty rose 1.94%, Pharma 1.91%, Healthcare 1.65% and Auto 1.48%.

THE FLOWS DID SOMETHING THIS EDITION HAS NOT REPORTED ALL MONTH. Foreign investors were net BUYERS of Rs 4,240.39 crore - gross purchases Rs 24,517.65 crore against sales of Rs 20,277.26 crore - while domestic institutions were net SELLERS of Rs 1,250.03 crore. Both signs reverse Monday's, and the foreign figure is substantially the largest single-session purchase this page has carried in October, in a month when foreign investors have been net sellers in the overwhelming majority of sessions.

Expiry days distort flow data in ways this page cannot separate out, and one session has twice already this month proved not to be a turn. The figures are reported; nothing is built on them.

INDIA VIX FELL 4.41% TO 16.40, ending the six-session rise this page reported yesterday. Yesterday's edition noted that the rise had continued through both a fall and a recovery and said three ordinary explanations were available without being able to choose between them.

One of those was the expiry itself, and the reading fell on expiry day. That is consistent with the expiry explanation and does not establish it.

AND THE DIVIDEND YIELD MOVED. This publication has withheld NSE's published dividend yield for ten consecutive sessions, since the series stepped UP across almost the whole index family on 9 October - 120 of 145 indices by more than two percent - while the price-earnings and price-to-book of the same indices kept moving only with price. On Tuesday the series moved for the first time since, and it moved DOWN: of the 145 indices carried in both Monday's and Tuesday's files, 70 moved by more than two percent and SIXTY-NINE OF THOSE SEVENTY FELL, with a median change across the whole family of minus 1.92%.

Nifty Information Technology fell from 3.52 to 2.89, a drop of 17.9%, on a price move of minus 0.26%. The Nifty 50 fell from 1.51 to 1.43 on a price move of minus 0.02%.

It is not a return to where the series started: the Nifty 50 read 1.24 on 8 October, stepped to about 1.52, held there for ten sessions and has now come part of the way back to 1.43. Searches of NSE Indices' own press-release listing, its dividend-yield page, its methodology and NSE's circular archive were run again this morning and again found no announcement, no effective date and no erratum.

A SERIES THAT STEPS IN BOTH DIRECTIONS WITHOUT EXPLANATION IS NOT MORE PUBLISHABLE THAN ONE THAT STEPPED IN ONE. The figure is withheld for an eleventh session, and the ten sessions of withholding now look better justified rather than worse. Two short notes.

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Today: JIO PLATFORMS AND PARAS HEALTHCARE BOTH LIST at 10am on both exchanges, Jio at an issue price of Rs 1,119. The Federal Open Market Committee decides tonight.

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# Stocks in the News

**THE SPLIT**

## Twenty-Five Up, Twenty-Five Down, and the Index Moved 3.45 Points

The Nifty 50 closed Tuesday's monthly expiry at 22,749.75, down 3.45 points or 0.02%, with its fifty constituents finishing EXACTLY twenty-five higher and twenty-five lower. The Sensex closed at 73,598.67, down 8.08 points or 0.01%. That stillness was not the market's. Across the exchange 2,455 stocks advanced against 1,103 that declined; the Smallcap 100 rose 2.69% to 18,468.70 on internal breadth of seventy-seven up against twenty-three, the Midcap 100 1.00% on sixty-seven against thirty-three, the Next 50 1.30% and the Nifty 500 0.58%.

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**THE DRAG**

## A Flat Index Is an Arithmetic Fact About Where the Weight Sits

Eleven of the fifteen sectoral indices rose on Tuesday. The four that fell were Private Bank at 0.73% to 26,628.45, Bank Nifty at 0.72% to 53,974.90, Financial Services at 0.62% to 24,303.75 and Information Technology at 0.26% to 32,189.45. Between them those four carry the heaviest weights in the Nifty 50, which is the entire explanation of how an index can close 3.45 points lower on a day roughly seven stocks in ten were rising across the exchange. Nothing more interpretive than that is required, and this page is not offering more.

*All fifteen sectoral closing levels and percentages are the exchange's own. That matters again today: the 06:45 research run reported that NO sectoral closing levels for 27 October exist anywhere in the sources it read - percentages only, several of them in conflict. The dated file supplies all fifteen levels and all fifteen percentages. This is the eighth occasion this month on which the first-party file has closed a gap the research run could not.*

**NIFTY MEDIA**

## The One Index That Had Not Stopped Falling, Stopped

Nifty Media rose 3.66% to 1,615.05, the best of the fifteen sectoral indices, after six consecutive sessions lower. For most of last week this page reported it as the single place the selling had not stopped - it fell on 22 and 23 October, fell again on 26 October when thirteen of fifteen indices rose, and was the weakest of the fifteen on that session. On Tuesday it led. Two things belong beside that: Media is the smallest of the fifteen sectoral indices and moves on relatively few names, and one session does not undo six.

*Levels and percentages for both the six-session run and Tuesday's move are from NSE's own dated close files for the sessions concerned, as reported in this edition on each of those mornings.*

**FLOWS**

## Foreign Investors Bought Rs 4,240 Crore, and Domestic Institutions Sold

Foreign investors were net BUYERS of Rs 4,240.39 crore on Tuesday - gross purchases Rs 24,517.65 crore against sales of Rs 20,277.26 crore - while domestic institutions were net SELLERS of Rs 1,250.03 crore, having bought Rs 15,702.74 crore and sold Rs 16,952.77 crore. Both signs reverse Monday's, and the foreign figure is substantially the largest single-session purchase this page has carried in October, in a month where foreign investors have been net sellers in the large majority of sessions.

*NSE's own provisional cash data. ONE CAVEAT THAT IS NOT ABOUT SOURCING: Tuesday was the monthly derivatives expiry, and expiry sessions distort cash-market flow data in ways this page cannot separate out. The figures are reported and nothing is built on them. Twice this month a single-session flow reversal has not been a turn, on 16 and 21 October. NO MONTH-TO-DATE TOTAL IS PRINTED, for the second consecutive edition: published October totals disagree by thousands of crore depending on the session count used.*

**INDIA VIX**

### The Six-Session Rise Ended on Expiry Day

India VIX fell 4.41% to 16.40, ending six consecutive rises that had carried it from 14.06 on 16 October to 17.16 on Monday - a run that continued through a four-session fall and through the recovery that followed it. Yesterday's edition reported that run and said three ordinary explanations were available without being able to choose between them: the monthly expiry, the Federal Open Market Committee meeting, and a large listing. The reading fell on the expiry itself. That is CONSISTENT with the expiry explanation and does not establish it, and the other two are still ahead rather than behind.

*The level and percentage are from NSE's own dated close file. Two secondary readings bracket it at 16.41 with minus 4.37% and 16.4 with minus 4.43%; a third circulating figure of 16.35 is an explicitly intraday 15:31 reading and is not used.*

**TODAY**

### Two Listings at 10am, and a Fed Decision After the Indian Close

Jio Platforms lists today on both exchanges at 10am, an entirely fresh issue priced at Rs 1,119 and reported as subscribed 22.19 times. Paras Healthcare lists the same morning. The Federal Open Market Committee decides tonight, at roughly 11:30pm Indian time - AFTER the Indian close - so the reaction is a Thursday event here rather than a Wednesday one. Hindustan Unilever reports results today; the rest of the day's results slate rests on a single aggregator and is not named here.

*The issue terms and subscription figure are from the issue's own filings and the exchange data reported for them. NO UNOFFICIAL PRE-LISTING PRICE INDICATION APPEARS ANYWHERE IN THIS EDITION, in any section, in any form - such figures were present in the material this edition was built from and were discarded in full. The listing itself will be reported tomorrow from exchange data and nothing else. The FOMC timing is from the Federal Reserve's own calendar.*

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## Earnings & Corporate Radar

### Hindustan Unilever, today

**The only results name this edition will print for today**

The 06:45 research run reported that the rest of the day's schedule rests on a single aggregator and had not been corroborated at the time it ran.

*NO FURTHER COMPANIES ARE NAMED AS REPORTING TODAY. This is the same discipline applied on 22 October, when the published calendars covered only sixteen of roughly twenty-four companies and no list was printed at all. A partial slate presented without that caveat reads as the day's slate.*

## Jio Platforms lists today

**Rs 30,213 crore, entirely fresh, priced at Rs 1,119 and reported subscribed 22.19 times**

Listing is at 10am on both exchanges. The band was Rs 1,065 to 1,119 and the issue priced at the top of it. The anchor book of Rs 8,109.85 crore was placed on 19 October with half the shares locked to 25 November and the rest to 24 January. Paras Healthcare, whose issue closed the same day at a reported 2.34 times, lists the same morning.

*THE LISTING PRICE WILL BE REPORTED TOMORROW FROM EXCHANGE DATA AND NOTHING ELSE. NO UNOFFICIAL PRE-LISTING PRICE INDICATION APPEARS ANYWHERE IN THIS EDITION, in any section, in any form, for either issue. One figure conflict is carried rather than resolved: the issue size has been given as Rs 30,187.65 crore by one source and Rs 30,213 crore by another across the week.*

## The FOMC decides after the Indian close

**Roughly 11:30pm Indian time tonight, so the reaction is a Thursday event here**

The two-day meeting began on Tuesday. The decision and the press conference both fall well after Indian markets close, which means today's session trades without them and tomorrow's prices them.

*Stated explicitly because the timing is routinely collapsed in summary coverage into 'the Fed decides today', which for an Indian reader implies a same-session effect that cannot happen. Meeting dates and timing are from the Federal Reserve's own published calendar.*

## Crude is not printed as a level today

**The sources read disagree too widely to publish a number**

Readings across the sources span roughly USD 109.73 to USD 113.88 for Brent, and gold readings disagree by about USD 66 and on direction as well.

*NO CRUDE OR GOLD LEVEL IS PRINTED. A figure of about USD 116 described as a six-month high has been circulating in Indian coverage; it traces back to the 23 October settlement and is NOT a current level, and it is named here so it is not re-introduced. This edition has carried Brent as a settled figure on most recent mornings; where the sources cannot agree, it is omitted rather than averaged.*

## The F&O; ban list has shrunk to one name

**SAIL alone, from AMBUJACEM, KAYNES and SAIL across the previous four sessions**

The list is published by the exchange each evening for the following trading day and rolls overnight.

*NSE's own published list, read this morning. Recorded because a three-name list had been unchanged for four consecutive sessions and the change is the kind of detail that is easy to carry forward by habit.*

## Corporate announcements since the last close

| Company | Announcement |
|---|---|
| TWENTY-FIVE UP, TWENTY-FIVE DOWN | Nifty 50 22,749.75, -3.45 pts or -0.02% on the October monthly expiry, with its constituents split EXACTLY 25 each way. Sensex 73,598.67, -8.08 pts or -0.01% |
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| 11 OF 15 SECTORALS ROSE | Media +3.66% to 1,615.05 led, then Realty +1.94%, Pharma +1.91%, Healthcare +1.65%, Auto +1.48% |
| AND THE FOUR THAT FELL CARRY THE INDEX | Private Bank -0.73%, Bank Nifty -0.72%, Financial Services -0.62%, Information Technology -0.26%. That is the whole arithmetic of a flat headline |
| MEDIA'S SIX-SESSION RUN ENDED | It fell on 22, 23 and 26 October among others and was weakest of fifteen on Monday. On Tuesday it was strongest. Media is the SMALLEST of the fifteen and moves on few names |
| INDIA VIX -4.41% TO 16.40 | Ends SIX consecutive rises that ran from 14.06 on 16 October through a four-session fall and the recovery after it. A third circulating figure of 16.35 is an intraday 15:31 reading and is not used |
| THE EXPIRY EXPLANATION, PARTLY | Yesterday this page gave three ordinary reasons for the VIX climb - the expiry, the FOMC and a large listing - and could not choose. The reading fell ON the expiry. Consistent with the first; does not establish it. The other two are still ahead |
| FII BOUGHT Rs 4,240.39 cr | Gross purchases 24,517.65, sales 20,277.26. SUBSTANTIALLY THE LARGEST SINGLE-SESSION PURCHASE this page has carried in October |
| DII SOLD Rs 1,250.03 cr | Bought 15,702.74, sold 16,952.77. Both signs reverse Monday's |
| BUT IT WAS AN EXPIRY SESSION | Expiry distorts cash-market flow data in ways this page cannot separate out. Reported; nothing built on it. Twice this month a single-session reversal has NOT been a turn |
| NO MONTH-TO-DATE TOTAL, SECOND EDITION RUNNING | Published October totals disagree by thousands of crore depending on whether the compiler counts 12, 14 or 15 sessions. DIRECTION ONLY: FII heavy net sellers across the month, DII heavy net buyers |
| THE DIVIDEND YIELD MOVED, FIRST TIME IN TEN SESSIONS | And it moved DOWN. Of 145 indices in both Monday's and Tuesday's files, SEVENTY moved more than 2% and SIXTY-NINE OF THOSE SEVENTY FELL. Median change across the family -1.92% |
| AND NOT BECAUSE OF PRICE | Nifty IT 3.52 -> 2.89, a fall of 17.9%, on a price move of -0.26%. Nifty 50 1.51 -> 1.43 on a price move of -0.02% |

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| NOT A RETURN TO THE START EITHER | Nifty 50 read 1.24 on 8 October, stepped to about 1.52, held ten sessions, now 1.43 - part of the way back |
| STILL NO EXPLANATION ANYWHERE | NSE Indices' press-release listing, its dividend-yield page, its methodology and NSE's circular archive searched again this morning: no announcement, no effective date, no erratum. WITHHELD FOR AN ELEVENTH SESSION |
| THE ORDERING REAPPEARED | The five indices ranked by P/E moved in exactly that order again on Tuesday, a session after breaking. Recorded in one line with NO causal claim and no further weight - an observation that comes and goes is a curiosity, not a finding |
| NO STOCK MOVER TABLE TODAY | The index split 25/25 and closed 3.45 points lower; five-name gainer and loser lists drawn from that would imply a dispersion the index did not have. The panels carry SECTORS and are labelled as such |
| A CONSTITUENCY CONFLICT RECORDED | Two research runs on consecutive mornings gave OPPOSITE answers on whether BSE Ltd is a Nifty 50 constituent. Nothing printed here depends on it; it will be settled against the exchange's own constituent file before any mover table runs again |
| NO CRUDE OR GOLD LEVEL PRINTED | Brent readings span about USD 109.73 to 113.88 across sources; gold disagrees by about USD 66 and on direction. A circulating 'USD 116, six-month high' traces to the 23 OCTOBER settle and is NOT current - named so it is not re-introduced |
| EIGHTH TIME THE FIRST-PARTY FILE CLOSED A GAP | The 06:45 research run reported that NO sectoral closing levels for 27 October exist anywhere in its sources - percentages only, several conflicting. The exchange's dated file supplied all fifteen levels |
| SENSEX TYPO REJECTED | One live blog printed 73,598.87, which does not reconcile against the prior close. The reconciling 73,598.67 is used |
| TODAY: TWO LISTINGS AT 10AM | JIO PLATFORMS, entirely fresh at Rs 1,119 and reported subscribed 22.19x, and PARAS HEALTHCARE at a reported 2.34x. The listing prices will be reported TOMORROW from exchange data and nothing else |
| AND A FED DECISION AFTER THE CLOSE | About 23:30 IST, so today trades without it and tomorrow prices it. HINDUSTAN UNILEVER reports today; the rest of the slate rests on a single aggregator and is not named |
| F&O; BAN DOWN TO ONE NAME | SAIL alone, from AMBUJACEM, KAYNES and SAIL across the previous four sessions. NSE's own published list |
| GIFT NIFTY ROLLED | 22,624.00 at 08:41, -0.33% against its own settlement, now on the 23 NOVEMBER contract after the monthly expiry - not comparable with the October contract carried in recent editions |

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# Global & Macro Factors

### A. A Flat Index Over a Market That Was Not Flat

■ THE NIFTY 50 SPLIT EXACTLY 25 UP AND 25 DOWN and closed 3.45 points or 0.02% lower at 22,749.75 on the October monthly expiry. The Sensex fell 8.08 points or 0.01% to 73,598.67.

■ Around it: 2,455 stocks advanced against 1,103 across the exchange; the Smallcap 100 rose 2.69% on internal breadth of 77 up against 23, the Midcap 100 1.00% on 67 against 33, the Next 50 1.30% and the Nifty 500 0.58%.

■ ELEVEN OF FIFTEEN SECTORAL INDICES ROSE. The four that fell - Private Bank 0.73%, Bank Nifty 0.72%, Financial Services 0.62% and Information Technology 0.26% - carry between them the heaviest weights in the index. That is the whole arithmetic of the flat headline.

■ Nifty Media rose 3.66%, the best of the fifteen, after six consecutive sessions lower. It is also the smallest of the fifteen and moves on few names; one session does not undo six.

### B. The Dividend Yield Moved, Downward, and Still Without an Explanation

■ This publication has withheld NSE's published dividend yield since 9 October, when the series stepped UP across almost the whole index family - 120 of 145 indices by more than two percent - while the P/E and price-to-book of the same indices kept moving only with price.

■ ON TUESDAY IT MOVED FOR THE FIRST TIME IN TEN SESSIONS, AND IT MOVED DOWN. Of the 145 indices carried in both Monday's and Tuesday's files, SEVENTY moved by more than two percent and SIXTY-NINE OF THOSE SEVENTY FELL. The median change across the whole family was minus 1.92%.

■ The moves are not explained by price. Nifty Information Technology went from 3.52 to 2.89, a fall of 17.9%, on a price move of minus 0.26%. The Nifty 50 went from 1.51 to 1.43 on a price move of minus 0.02%. Nor is it a return to the starting point: the Nifty 50 read 1.24 on 8 October, stepped to about 1.52, held for ten sessions, and has now come part of the way back.

■ Searches of NSE Indices' press-release listing, its dividend-yield page, its methodology and NSE's circular archive were run again this morning and again found no announcement, no effective date and no erratum. A SERIES THAT STEPS IN BOTH DIRECTIONS WITHOUT EXPLANATION IS NOT MORE PUBLISHABLE THAN ONE THAT STEPPED IN ONE. Withheld for an eleventh session, and the ten sessions of withholding now look better justified rather than worse.

### C. The Flows Reversed on an Expiry Day, Which Is the Caveat

■ Foreign investors NET BUYERS of Rs 4,240.39 crore, gross purchases Rs 24,517.65 crore against sales of Rs 20,277.26 crore. Domestic institutions NET SELLERS of Rs 1,250.03 crore, having bought Rs 15,702.74 crore and sold Rs 16,952.77 crore. Both signs reverse Monday's.

■ The foreign figure is substantially the largest single-session purchase this page has carried in October, a month in which foreign investors have been net sellers in the large majority of sessions.

■ TUESDAY WAS THE MONTHLY DERIVATIVES EXPIRY, and expiry sessions distort cash-market flow data in ways this page cannot separate out. The figures are reported and nothing is built on them. Twice already this month a single-session flow reversal has not been a turn.

■ NO MONTH-TO-DATE TOTAL IS PRINTED, for a second consecutive edition. Published October totals disagree by thousands of crore depending on whether the compiler counts twelve, fourteen or fifteen sessions. Direction only: foreign investors heavy net sellers across the month, domestic institutions heavy net buyers.

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## Today's Watchlist

| Watch | Why it matters |
|---|---|
| The two listings at 10am | Jio Platforms, entirely fresh at Rs 1,119 and reported subscribed 22.19 times, and Paras Healthcare at a reported 2.34 times. The first market-set price for the largest issue on record. This page will report it tomorrow from exchange data and nothing else. |
| The FOMC decision lands after the Indian close | Roughly 11:30pm Indian time, so today's session trades without it and tomorrow's prices it. Worth holding against the habit of reading 'the Fed decides today' as a same-session event here. |
| Whether the broad market keeps running ahead of the index | The Smallcap 100 rose 2.69% on seventy-seven advancing constituents while the Nifty 50 split twenty-five each way. That gap is the reverse of the one this page reported on 21 and 22 October, when the index held up and the broad market fell twice as hard. |
| The banks, which were the whole of Tuesday's drag | Private Bank, Bank Nifty and Financial Services were three of the four sectoral indices that fell, and they carry the index. Whether that is a one-session rotation out of weight or something that persists is the question the next few sessions answer. |

| Watch | Why it matters |
|---|---|
| Whether the dividend yield moves again | The series stepped up on 9 October, held for ten sessions and stepped down on Tuesday, both times without an explanation anywhere in NSE's own publications. It is checked every morning and withheld until it can be explained. |
| India VIX after the expiry came off | It fell 4.41% to 16.40, ending six consecutive rises. One of the three explanations this page offered yesterday was the expiry itself, and the expiry has now passed - but the Fed decision has not. |

### The day planner

| Time (IST) | Event |
|---|---|
| 09:15 | NSE and BSE regular trading opens. NO EXPIRY TODAY - the October monthly expiry was yesterday, and the BSE Sensex monthly falls tomorrow, 29 October. Today's F&O; ban list has ONE name, SAIL, down from three |
| 10:00 | JIO PLATFORMS AND PARAS HEALTHCARE BOTH LIST on NSE and BSE. Jio is an entirely fresh issue priced at Rs 1,119, the top of its band, reported subscribed 22.19 times; Paras at a reported 2.34 times. HINDUSTAN UNILEVER reports results today |
| About 23:30 | THE FEDERAL OPEN MARKET COMMITTEE DECISION, well after the Indian close, with the press conference following. The reaction is a Thursday event in this market rather than a Wednesday one |
| 29 Oct - 10 Nov | The BSE Sensex MONTHLY expiry and the European Central Bank decision on 29 October, with Coal India results. The Bank of Japan on 30 October. A MUHURAT SESSION on Sunday 8 November, timings still to be notified by circular, and markets CLOSED Tuesday 10 November for Diwali-Balipratipada, which moves that week's Nifty expiry to Monday 9 November. The next MPC decision is 4 December |

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# Global and Geopolitical Factors

## The Federal Reserve decides tonight, after this market has closed

**What was reported:** The two-day meeting began on Tuesday and the decision lands at roughly 11:30pm Indian time, with the press conference after it. That timing matters more than it looks: today's Indian session trades entirely without the decision, and tomorrow's prices both the decision and whatever the press conference adds to it. Summary coverage routinely compresses this into 'the Fed decides today', which for a reader in this market implies a same-session effect that cannot happen. The American ten-year finished Monday near 4.98%, about a basis point lower and below five percent for the first time in a month, having been above 5.30% earlier in October. This edition is not forecasting the decision, the vote or the language, and notes only that the reaction here is a Thursday event.

### Crude and gold are not printed today because the sources cannot agree

**What was reported:** Readings across the sources read this morning span roughly USD 109.73 to USD 113.88 for Brent - a spread of more than four dollars on what should be a single settled figure - and gold readings disagree by about USD 66 and on the direction of the move as well. This edition has carried Brent as a settled figure on most recent mornings, including USD 113.17 on 23 October and USD 108.82 on 22 October, and prints no level today rather than choosing one or averaging across a four-dollar spread. ONE FIGURE IS NAMED SO IT IS NOT RE-INTRODUCED: a level of about USD 116 described as a six-month high has been circulating in Indian coverage, and it traces back to the 23 October settlement rather than to any current reading. Crude remains the input that runs through this publication - into imported inflation, the rupee and a Monetary Policy Committee that moved to calibrated tightening on 7 October - which is exactly why it is not worth printing a number nobody can corroborate.

### Two research runs gave opposite answers on a Nifty 50 constituent

**What was reported:** On Tuesday morning the research run stated that BSE Ltd replaced Wipro in the Nifty 50 effective 30 September 2026, citing the September rejig, and warned that one widely available constituent table was nearly a year stale and would produce the wrong exclusion. On Wednesday morning the research run stated that BSE Ltd is NOT a Nifty 50 constituent, and warned against a source that listed it among the index's gainers. Those cannot both be right. No stock-level mover table appears in this edition, so nothing printed here depends on the answer - but the conflict is recorded rather than quietly resolved in favour of whichever run ran most recently, because a constituency error is invisible to a reader and changes which names a mover table is allowed to carry. It will be settled against the exchange's own published constituent file before any mover table runs again. This is the kind of thing that is worth more attention than it usually gets: two careful processes reading the same public fact a day apart reached opposite conclusions.

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## Closing Note

Tuesday's monthly expiry produced an index that barely moved over a market that moved a great deal. The Nifty 50 closed at 22,749.75, down 3.45 points or 0.02%, with its fifty constituents split EXACTLY twenty-five up and twenty-five down; the Sensex closed at 73,598.67, down 8.08 points or 0.01%. Across the exchange 2,455 stocks advanced against 1,103.

The Smallcap 100 rose 2.69% to 18,468.70 on internal breadth of seventy-seven up against twenty-three, the Midcap 100 1.00% to 57,029.90 on sixty-seven against thirty-three, the Next 50 1.30% to 67,343.95 and the Nifty 500 0.58% to 21,734.90. ELEVEN OF THE FIFTEEN SECTORAL INDICES ROSE: Media 3.66% to 1,615.05, Realty 1.94% to 805.05, Pharma 1.91% to 26,267.25, Healthcare 1.65% to 15,917.60, Auto 1.48% to 25,340.80, Consumer Durables 1.19% to 34,254.80, FMCG 0.74% to 43,118.20, Energy 0.68% to 35,261.85, Metal 0.64% to 11,806.70, PSU Bank 0.41% to 8,126.70 and Oil and Gas 0.14% to 10,536.00. The four that fell carry the index between them: Private Bank 0.73% to 26,628.45, Bank Nifty 0.72% to 53,974.90, Financial Services 0.62% to 24,303.75 and Information Technology 0.26% to 32,189.45.

Two things ended on Tuesday. NIFTY MEDIA'S SIX-SESSION LOSING RUN ended with the best move of the fifteen - though Media is the smallest of them and moves on few names, and one session does not undo six. And INDIA VIX'S SIX-SESSION RISE ended, the reading falling 4.41% to 16.40 after climbing from 14.06 on 16 October through both a four-session fall and the recovery that followed it.

Yesterday this page offered three ordinary explanations for that climb - the expiry, the Federal Open Market Committee meeting and a large listing - and said it could not choose between them. The reading fell on the expiry itself, which is consistent with the first and does not establish it; the other two are still ahead rather than behind. The flows reversed hard in the same session: foreign investors bought a net Rs 4,240.39 crore, substantially the largest single-session purchase this page has carried in October, while domestic institutions sold Rs 1,250.03 crore. Expiry sessions distort cash-market flow data in ways this page cannot separate out, and twice already this month a single-session reversal has not been a turn, so the figures are reported and nothing is built on them.

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It is not a return to where the series began - the Nifty 50 read 1.24 on 8 October - and searches of NSE Indices' releases, its dividend-yield page, its methodology and NSE's circular archive this morning again found no announcement, no effective date and no erratum. A series that steps in both directions without explanation is not more publishable than one that stepped in one, so it is withheld for an eleventh session. Today: both listings at 10am, Hindustan Unilever's results, and a Federal Reserve decision that lands after this market has gone home.

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