



FROM THE EDITOR

Dear Reader,

With NAMO 3.0 in place, albeit slightly stunted, the broad economic agenda shall see a continuity. The markets gave a high volatility performance post elections on the Exit poll and actual result outcome and are on the uprise since then.

What was very heartening to note on results day, was that despite the Sensex correcting by more than 5000 points and some individual stocks by as much as 25%, there was no panic amongst retail investors and most of them were still making buy calls.

Was it optimism, Was it newfound confidence due to their recent market gains, was it belief in the market or was it the belief in the India Growth story? Whatever it was, they were willing to bet on the market.

Now, that the noise and the event is over, it is time to get back to the basics. The economic agenda for the new government is more or less clear. The elections have given a verdict for more inclusive growth, and an urgent need for addressing the unemployment and rural distress.

Given the stage of the Indian economy and the current momentum, a 6% GDP growth is more or less a given. The challenge is to increase the growth rate to 8% and beyond for a more inclusive growth and benefits to trickle down faster to the unprivileged and uplift them from below subsistence levels. For this to happen, all four cylinders need to fire, Govt capex as a % of GDP needs to increase, spur Private capex waiting on the sidelines since a long time for job creation; Exports, both manufacturing and services need to touch the coveted \$1 Trillion mark in the next 2 years and private consumption needs a boost which can happen with increase in disposable income by reducing interest rates and increasing income.

What gets us most excited, is the almost \$1 Trillion which is going to be the addition to savings every year going forward based on the current savings rate of a \$ 4 trillion economy.

With increased awareness and financialisation, more and more money will be coming to the markets, making the markets more mature and less dependent on the fickleness of the FPIs.

Everything seems too good to be true and I often ask myself, "Is this time going to be truly different?" History teaches us otherwise, but only a Black Swan can now disrupt the linear Bull run.

According to Shankar Sharma, "Ideally a "Horse" should be used as an indicator of the rally seen in the markets as it can run long distances at a fast pace. A "Bull", he said, can at best do a short sprint and needs occasional breaks/pauses to catch its breath before charging again." Has the time for rest for the Bull come?

Given the expected EPS growth of 15% in FY 25, and a PE multiple range of 18-25, the markets should broadly trade within a range of 28000 on the upper end and 21000 on the lower end by Mar 25. A lateral time correction in FY 25 and a range of 22000-25000 will be healthy for the market and remove the froth and make it ready for the next Bull run.

As Benjamin Graham said, "In the short run, the market is a voting machine, but in the long run, it is a weighing machine."

Stay invested in the market for the long term and the only thing I can add is, "Don't Bet against India" as we move to become a \$ 5b Trillion and the 3rd largest economy in the coming years.

Happy Investing!

Sandeep Sahni Editor



NIFTY 50

5 BEST PERFORMING SECTORS OF MAY 2024

NAME	RETURN (IN %)
REALTY	5.90%
MNC	5.01%
METAL	4.82%
AUTO	3.90%
PSE	2.36%

Source: www.ngenmarkets.in

NIFTY 50

5 WORST PERFORMING SECTORS IN MAY 2024

NAME	RETURN (IN %)
PSU BANK	-1.90%
PHARMA	-1.76%
IT	-1.59%
ENERGY	-0.78%
SERVICES SECTOR	-0.57%

Source: www.ngenmarkets.in

The Month that was May 2024

INDEX	AS ON 30-04-24	AS ON 31-05-24	CHANGE %
NIFTY 50	22604.85	22530.70	-0.33%
NIFTY SMALL CAP	17011.80	16696.70	-1.85%
NIFTY MID CAP 100	50868.20	51705.70	1.65%
SENSEX	74482.78	73961.31	-0.70%
US \$	83.49	83.46	-0.04%
BITCOIN \$	60621.80	67472.40	11.30%
DOW JONES IN USD\$	37815.92	38686.32	2.30%
SHANGHAI COMP \$	3104.82	3086.81	-0.58%
BRENT CRUDE OIL \$	86.33	81.62	-5.46%
NASADQ 100 IN \$	17440.69	18536.65	6.28%
GOLD IN	7260	7276	0.22%
10 YEAR GOVT BOND	7.19	6.98	-2.92%

Source: investing.com, goodreturns.in, google.com, tradingview.com

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY - 2024

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Top 5 Nifty 50 Gainers - May 2024

NAME	30th April 2024	31st May 2024	CHANGE %
ADANI ENTERPRISES LTD.	2993.30	3660.00	22.27%
ADANI PORTS AND SPL ECO ZONE LTD.	1320.35	1590.30	20.45%
MAHINDRA & MAHINDRA LTD.	2192.95	2640.00	20.39%
HERO MOTOCORP LTD	4546.90	5162.45	13.54%
LARSEN & TOUBRO LTD	3499.10	3897.40	11.38%

Source: www.ndtvprofit.com

Top 5 Nifty 50 Losers - May 2024

NAME	30th April 2024	31st May 2024	CHANGE %
SUN PHARMA INDUS LTD.	1508.40	1453.25	-3.66%
HCL TECH LTD	1347.80	1314.60	-2.46%
ASIAN PAINTS LTD.	2927.50	2865.80	-2.11%
LARSEN & TOUBRO INFOTECH LTD	4654.45	4645.00	-0.20%
EICHER MOTORS LTD.	4598.45	4670.80	1.57%

Source: www.ndtvprofit.com



Mutual Fund Category wise fund performance

As on 31st May 2024

Return in (%)

				Retuirin (70)
CATEGORY	1 YEAR	3 YEARS	5 YEARS	10 YEARS
EQUITY - CONTRA	45.35	23.46	21.85	17.43
EQUITY - ELSS	35.56	18.06	17.34	15.36
EQUITY - FLEXI CAP FUND	35.79	17.59	17.24	15.25
EQUITY - FOCUSED FUND	34.11	17.12	16.56	15.04
EQUITY - LARGE & MID CAP FUND	40.36	20.23	19.15	16.41
EQUITY - LARGE CAP FUND	31.09	15.37	15.06	13.51
EQUITY - MID CAP FUND	48.73	23.80	23.24	18.92
EQUITY - MULTI CAP FUND	43.20	21.74	20.96	17.14
EQUITY - SMALL CAP FUND	45.36	25.32	26.40	20.64
EQUITY - VALUE FUND	45.10	21.51	19.22	16.42
HYBRID - AGGRESIVE	28.17	14.92	14.69	13.00
HYBRID - ARBITRAGE FUND	7.44	5.36	4.96	5.84
HYBRID - BALANCED ADVANTAGE	22.29	12.44	12.15	11.38
HYBRID - EQUITY SAVINGS	14.92	9.08	8.99	8.30
NIFTY 50	21.50	13.06	13.56	12.02
NIFTY NEXT 50	60.38	21.39	19.37	15.83
NIFTY 100	27.47	14.17	14.33	12.58
NIFTY 500	33.74	16.84	16.55	13.77

Source: masterstrokeonline.com

The Best Way of Working out in the Market



SIP ASANA

Practise this asana to step closer to your goals.









FIIS DON'T DRIVE THE MARKET ANYMORE... DIIS DO...

Financial Year (INR Crores)	FII Net Flows	Dil Net Flows	Nifty Returns	Who moved my market?
FY13	100,088	-66,936	8.3%	Fils
FY14	74,482	-54,072	13.1%	Fils
FY15	63,761	-19,264	26.8%	Fils
FY16	-44,909	78,687	-5.4%	Fils
FY17	25,362	29,932	16.9%	Dils/ Fils
FY18	-78,531	114,600	8.7%	Dils
FY19	-26,002	72,407	8.2%	Dils
FY20	-90,044	128,208	-26.8%	Fils
FY21	201,377	-132,389	49.0%	Fils
FY22	-274,244	221,660	19.4%	Dils
FY23	-198,639	255,236	1.5%	Dils
FY24	-14,394	206,717	23.6%	Dils
FY 12-24	-261,695	834,785	325.4%	Dils
FY 12-16	193,421	-61,585	47.5%	Fils
FY 16-20	-169,216	345,147	9.5%	Dils
FY 20-24	-285,900	551,224	126.4%	Dils



THE JOURNEY OF THE SENSEX TO 76,000

The journey of the Sensex to 76,000 has been anything but linear. It's been a story of ups and downs, reflecting the Indian economy's growth and challenges. Here's a glimpse into some milestones:

Early Days (1979-1990): The Sensex started humbly, reaching the 100 mark in 1979 and taking over four years to reach 1,000 in 1990. Liberalization and Boom (1991-2000): India's economic liberalization in the early 1990s fueled market growth. The Sensex crossed the

A Decade of Consolidation (2000-2010): The burst of the dot-com bubble and the global financial crisis of 2008 led to volatility. However, the Sensex reached 10,000 in 2006. Steady Rise (2010-2020): The Indian economy continued to grow, and the Sensex crossed 25,000 in 2014.

Recent Surge (2020-2024): A combination of factors like government reforms, digital growth, and foreign investments propelled the Sensex to new highs. It reached 76,000 for the first time in May 2024, a significant jump from 70,000 just five months prior. Here's a graph depicting the Sensex's journey ([Image Sensex historical chart]) Factors that shaped the Sensex's journey. Economic growth: A strong Indian economy with rising GDP has been a key driver.

Government policies: Government initiatives like infrastructure development and foreign investment reforms have boosted investor confidence.

NAMO 3.0

MODI GOVT 3.0: THE ECONOMIC AGENDA

- ➤ Sustain growth, manage inflation, revive farm sector, spur investment by private sector for job creation
- > Revive disinvestment and asset monetisation to generate resources for capex and development schemes
- > Rationalisation of GST rates, work on pending direct tax reforms, including those related to capital gains
- > Decide the regulatory architecture for crypto assets along with RBI
- > Ensure stock markets concerns on F&O in tandem with Sebi



Communications

- > Manage spam and pesky calling/messaging which also result in cyber frauds: improve quality of services for consumers, and tackle nagging call drops and patchy internet network
- Enable adequate provision of spectrum and regular auctions as 5G networks expand and industry works on new solutions such as Machine-2-Machine (M2M)



- conversations and Internet of Things
- > Restructure postal dept that is sitting on prime land and lost traditional business

Electronics & IT

- ➤ Kickstart work on the new IT Law (Digital India Act), a bill that will be drafted after public consultations and other requisite processes
- Look at giving scale to electronics manufacturing beyond smartphones by adding weight to making of laptops, servers, and telecom & IT
- > Strengthen the work on semiconductor manufacturing, and create a new incentive scheme for new players looking at Indian market

> Expanding washery capacity for reducing metallurgical coal import bill

Coal

> Encouraging coal

Coal Output (Million tonnes)	gasification and
2019-20 730.8	liquefaction
2020-21 716	projects
2021-22 778.2	> Preparing
2022-23 893	Coal India for reduced
2022-24 997-7	Tor reduced

Petroleum > Bringing predictability &

transparency in the fuel retail		
Crude Producti (Million ton		market, especially
2019-20	32.2	pricing ➤ Bringing
2021-22	29.7	back foreign investors in
2022-23	29.2	exploration a

Reforming natural gas pricing regime, ensuring viability of city gas networks

Power

Bringing in	private players
by separating	carrier &
Floctricity	content for

Generation	improved
(Billion unit)	service
2019-20 1389.1	> Enhancing
2020-21 1381.8	transmission network to
2021-22 1491.8 2022-23 1624.1	ensure grid
2023-24 1176-1	balance
(Up to Nov '23)	> Ramping
up domestic man	nufacturing

capacity for power plant gear

> Bringing aviation turbine fuel under GST for less hostile

stic flyers airline

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> Hive off air navigation

services from Airports

Authority of India and

operating cost and affordable

> Improve

airports to create true

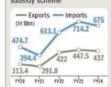
aviation hubs

fares

Civil Aviation

Commerce & Industry

- > Deepen exports, expand to newer markets and accelerate services exports against the backdrop of geopolitical uncertainty
- > Move ahead with FTAs, one with Oman likely to be signed soon, work on others with Latin American countries
- > Ensure PLI payments are maintained and spur foreign
- > Stabilise payments and supply chains for exports and imports, decide on interest



to rising private competition **Transport & Highways**

- > To get approval for new highway development programme to maintain the
- > Need to focus on quality and timely completion
- > Reducing number of road deaths, injuries and crashes

Highway construction (In kilometres)		
2019-20	0 10,237	
2020-21	13,32	
2021-22	010,457	
2022-23	0 10,332	
2222 24	12 240	

policy quickly to

related issues

- > Increasing capacity to carry more passengers & cargo. Bringing down long waitlist and operating more trains pace of NH construction
 - > Expediting penetration of Vande Bharat, Amrit Bharat & Vande Metro trains
 - > Enhancing safety



Labour & Skilling Heavy Industry & MSMEs > Implement labour codes in > Work out details of new sultation with states 曲 get the likes of Tesla > Revamp EPFO

> Skilling has seen poor results, need to > Ensure MSMEs grow, address their payment and loan review architecture; implement PM-VIKAS aggressively

and BCAS Tourism

2020 6.3

Improve overall experience for tourists, including provision of uality taxi and hotel services

> Improve infrastructure for hospitality sector





COMPANY SIZE AS PER RANK

Company Ranking as on Marketcap	Company Name	Market cap as on 27 May 2024	Net profit last year
1	Reliance Industr	₹ 19,84,473.89	₹ 79,020.00
30	Avenue Super.	₹ 2,95,289.96	₹ 2,535.61
50	Trent	₹ 1,66,634.71	₹ 1,477.46
100	Shriram Finance	₹ 89,564.50	₹ 7,398.89
250	SKF India	₹ 30,370.36	₹ 551.77
500	Thomas Cook (I)	₹ 9,595.45	₹ 271.11
1000	Arman Financial	₹ 2,189.37	₹ 173.57
1500	Trident Techlabs	₹ 743.78	₹ 9.37
2000	Vadilal Enterp.	₹ 293.60	₹ 7.51
2500	JSL Industries	₹ 142.04	₹ 6.16
	•	•	A 27 OF 2024

Cash (liquid fund)
Fixed income (fixed deposit)

n for liquid funds category as de

9.12

17.12

5.02

5 YEARS

Source: Screener

As on 27-05-2024

13.65

5.75

17.93

7.08

1 YEAR

Returns on investments

3 YEARS

What Drove Growth in FY24

The Indian economy grew 8.2% in FY24, more than a percentage point higher than the previous year's growth of 7%, according to data released last week. The pace of expansion in some sectors was at multi-year highs, barring FY22 when the economy recovered from Covid-related contraction. ET takes a look at the factors that pushed growth:



Manufacturing growth at 9.9% was the highest since FY17, barring FY22

Mining and quarrying also grew at the fastest pace in seven years

Since 1 117, builting 1 122 Seven years								
(% Growth, Y-O-Y)	MINING AND QUARRYING		MANUFACTURING		CONSTRUCTION			
FY13	0.6			5.5		0.3		
FY14	0.2			5.0		2.7		
FY15	9.7			7.9		4.3		
FY16	10.1			13.1		3.6		
FY17	9.8			7.9		5.9		
FY18		-5.6		7.5		5.2		
FY19		-0.8		5.4		6.5		
FY20		-3.0		-3.0		1.6		
FY21		-8.2		3.1			-4.6	
FY22	6.3			10.0		19.9		4
FY23	1.9			-2.2		9.4		
FY24	7.1			9.9		9.9		

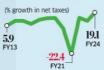
FY24 7.1	9.9	9.9			
Construction's contril	bution to the	e economy	rose		
Construction's share in economy at an 11-year high			al services tributed		
(% share of total GDP)		FY19	FY24		
Agriculture and mining	3	15.8	15.2		
Manufacturing	16.6	15.8			
Construction	7.3	8.3			
Trade, hotels, transpor	18.1	17.0			
Financial, real estate 8	19.4	21.2			
Others	22.7	22.5			
* communication and services related to broadcasting					

Net tax contributions also rose

Net taxes grew at the fastest pace since FY12

Share in GDP at **8.7%**, highest in four years

Collections grew and govt rationalized subsidies



Investment returned

Investments share in real grew **9%**, GDP was also at an 11-year high



What Will be Key

Economists say investment push to continue

Construction activity will keep pace
Consumption revival on anvil

India's Mcap Crosses USD 5 Trillion for the First Time

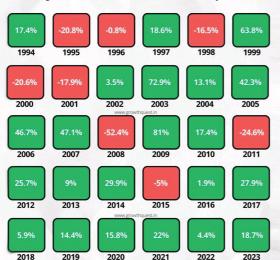
5th Biggest Equity Market After US, China, Japan & Hong Kong



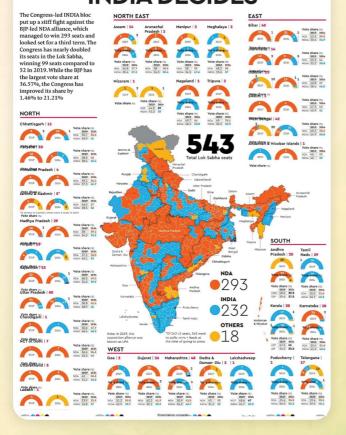


BSE SENSEX RETURNS

The average annual returns for the BSE SENSEX in last 30 years is 14.7%.



INDIA DECIDES



How New Govt Will Face Key Policy Issues

Geopolitical uncertainties and the global economic situation may require acceleration of reforms. But with a coalition govt at the Centre, it may not be easy as some issues, such as privatisation and a relook at GST, need consensus. TOI lists top areas of focus:

GST REVAMP: Five-slab GST rate structure may not be reviewed immediately as it may require merging the 12% and 18% slabs, necessitating an increase in levies on goods and services that move into the higher bracket. That's an issue on which political consensus may not be easy

PUBLIC FINANCES: Privalisation is likely to be put on a backburner for some time. While RBI's mega dividend of RS 2.1L or and robust GST revenues will keep Centre's 11 finances in good shape, the Centre may have to go slow on cleaning up the subsidy regime further, although or practie use of technology to plug leakage is something that won't change

INVESTMENT PUSH: After hitting a ligh of \$85 billion in 2021-22, the annual inflow of foreign direct investments has fallen for two consecutive years, touching \$17 billion in 2023-24. Govd is expected to make the investment regime more attractive in several sectors, including all control in the properties of the prop

POOP PRICES: Although overall inflation has moderated (see chart below), food prices remains both volatile and high. Govt may take steps to weatherproof prices and shield it from climate-induced shocks such as heatways and floods

AGRICULTURE: The latest GDP data indicates a relative stagnation in the farm sector. Reforms focusing on irrigation and use of Al to raise productivity are expected. Election results point to the challenging but imminent need to raise farmers' income

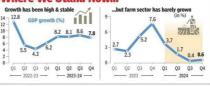
challenging but imminent need to raise farmers' income

EMPORTS A PLE. The production-linked incentive (PLI) scheme has
helped guish exports of smartphones and other products but there
have been demands to extend it to more settors, such as toys
and flootwear. Expect fine-funing of PLI to flocus more sharply on
companies and sectors willing to shift out of China for
export of the production

REGULATORY CLARIT: Before the
poll dates were announced, several
new conomic legislations were in the works.
A better regulation of cryptocurrencies, Al, data
protection is under consideration

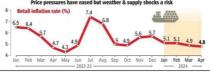
MAINTAINING GROWTH: Most economists do not expect 2024-25 GDP growth to be a repeat of 8.2% growth in 2023-24. But ensuring a growth nate of even 7% in the current global economic environment won't be easy. Among the steps expected are a road map for energy transition and a patch for infra investments. Commonic ministries have made action plans with specific targets for 2030 and 2047. A ministry-wise action plan could be unwelled, if there is a consensus in the new govt

Where We Stand Now...



9.2 9.1 8.6 8.6 8.5 vment rate in % Apr- Jul- Oct-Jun Sept Dec Unemployment rate in 15-29 yrs category (%)

Apr- Jul- Oct-Jun Sept Dec



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CRICKET & INVESTING!



Now that NAMO 3.0 is well entrenched and the Election 2024 Frenzy has got over, India is going to pursue its second most passionate subject after politics for the next 29 days. The 9th ICC T20 Cricket World Cup gets underway on 1st June 2024 and culminates with the Grand Finale on 29th June. The total prize money at \$11.25 Million with the winner taking \$2.45 Million in the 2024 edition.

Investing lessons from cricket are aplenty and a cricket crazy nation like ours can learn a lot from this gentleman's game.

In 2011 after India won the Cricket World Cup, Thousands of eyes got wet (including mine) when Virat said "Sachin has carried Indian cricket for 23 years, and now it was our turn". Sachin was not able to contribute much in the final but he was the backbone of the line up. In life and particularly in financial life we all should have inspirations who take us to the next level. Investing lessons are not the enigmas or mysteries that only financial wizards can crack. In fact many real life experiences from various disciplines can be applied to investing as well. Some lessons can be learnt from sports, media, politics, mythology and other fields as well.

We can learn a lot from sports and draw analogies to be used in our life journey.

There are several parallels that can be drawn between cricket and investing. Although a one-to-one comparison doesn't work, we can use some examples to understand the intricacies of investing, through cricket. For instance long-term investing can be compared to test matches while day trading can be compared with the strategies used by sprinters.

To read the full blog visit:

https://www.sahayakassociates.in/cricket-investing-2/







MONTHLY ECONOMIC HEADLINES

RBI's gives a record dividend to govt ₹2.10 trn for 2023-24

https://www.livemint.com/market/stock-market-news/rbi-announces-record-dividend-of-rs-2-11-lakh-crore-to-government-for-fy24-11716372717212.html

Market cap of BSE-listed companies hits \$5 trillion first time ever

https://www.moneycontrol.com/news/business/earnings/mcap-of-bse-listed-companies-hits-5-trillion-first-time-12727894.html

NRI deposit flows up 63.5% to \$14.7 bn in FY24, the highest in 8 years

https://www.business-standard.com/economy/news/nri-deposit-flows-up-63-5-to-14-7-bn-in-fy24-the-highest-in-8-years-124052101436_1.html

Reserve Bank of India net dollar purchases in FY24 highest since FY21

https://www.business-standard.com/finance/news/reserve-bank-of-india-net-dollar-purchase-in-fy24-highest-since-fy21-124052101308_1.html

GST collection rises 10% to ₹1.73 lakh crore in May

https://www.moneycontrol.com/news/economy-2/gst-collection-for-may-at-rs-1-73-lakh-lakh-crore-up-10-yoy-12738362.html

India's May fuel consumption scales record high on robust manufacturing

https://www.business-standard.com/industry/news/india-s-may-fuel-consumption-scales-record-high-on-robust-manufacturing-123060800952_1.html

UPI transactions set new record, scale 14 billion peak in May

https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/tech/technology/upi-transactions-scale-14-billion-peak-in-may/articleshow/110625651.cms?from=mdr

Auto sales drive into slow lane

https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/industry/auto/auto-news/auto-sales-enter-slow-lane-in-may-expected-to-bounce-back-in-the-festive-season/articleshow/110626005.cms? from=mdr

Petroleum products exports up 3.3% in May

https://www.financialexpress.com/policy/economy-oil-imports-from-russia-hit-new-peak-3508483/

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Amid scorching heat, power consumption rises 15% in May; PM reviews situation

https://www.thestatesman.com/india/amid-scorching-heat-power-consumption-rises-15-in-may-pm-reviews-situation-1503306122.html#google_vignette

AC markets clock 2x jump in May sales

https://www.newsdrum.in/business/ac-makers-clock-two-fold-jump-in-sales-in-may-amid-scorching-summer-4737707

CAD may show dip in Q4 as net

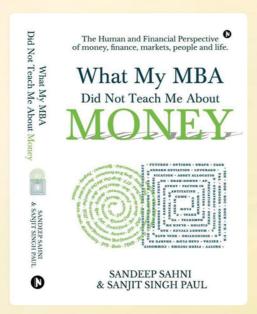
https://www.business-standard.com/economy/news/india-s-cad-may-ease-in-march-quarter-as-net-exports-hit-11-quarter-high-124060200509_1.html

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"Zoom Out"

https://sandeepsahni.com/zoom-out/

A 'Stop Doing It List'

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'Why Not You?'

https://sandeepsahni.com/why-not-you-3/

'21 Day No Complaint Challenge'

https://sandeepsahni.com/21-day-no-complaint-challenge/

'The Sky is falling'

https://sandeepsahni.com/category/2024/5-may-2024/page/3/

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Troy Ounce



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A troy ounce is a unit of measure used for weighing precious metals that

dates back to the Middle Ages. Originally used in Troyes, France, one troy ounce is equal to 31.1034768 grams, according to the U.K. Royal Mint. One standard ounce (also known as an avordupois ounce) is used to weigh other commodities such as sugar and grain. A standard ounce is slightly less than a troy ounce, at 28.35 grams. The troy ounce is to this day the standard unit of measurement in the precious metals market to ensure purity standards. The troy ounce is often abbreviated to read "t oz" or "oz t."

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The Sky is falling



I am a big fan of fables, be it the Ant and the Grasshopper, the Boy Who Cried Wolf, or the Tortoise and the Hare, each are great because they are concise, entertaining, and most importantly, forever relevant.

That said, a fable crossed my desk in recent weeks that I found especially relevant to the world we are currently living in — "Chicken Little".

'Chicken Little' is walking in the woods when she is struck by an acorn falling from one of the trees. Convinced this is a sign the sky is falling, Chicken Little rushes from the woods to go and warn the king.

On her way to see the king, she runs into several friends, who are also birds and go by names like Henny Penny, Goosey Loosey, Ducky Lucky, Turkey Lurkey, and so on. As she meets each along her way, Chicken Little warns them that sky is falling and that she has first-hand evidence of this.

As a result, these birds join Chicken Little as she makes her way to the king.

Soon enough, there is a large group of them convinced that the sky is falling on them.

On their way, they come across Foxy Loxy (a fox, of course), who asks them why they are in such a hurry. Chicken Little explains that the sky is falling and that they are on their way to tell the king.

Foxy Loxy offers to take them to the castle where they will find the king, and the birds agree to accompany him.

However, the cunning fox leads them not to the castle, but to his den, and the birds are never seen alive again.

The lesson here is simppplie, Fear is not something that is forced upon us. Rather, it is something we force upon ourselves because fear is a reaction we have when we are confronted by something, typically a threat.

This raises a question — is fearing something a problem?

In short, no. Fear itself is not necessarily a bad thing. In fact, a reasonable amount of fear is actually a good thing because it is what makes us more aware of our surroundings and cautious when warranted.

However, an irrational amount of fear is a problem because it makes us susceptible to the "Foxy Loxy's" of the world -

Those who aim to leverage fear for personal gains,

Those who sell advice, products, and services that feed into the fear,

Those who want it to magnify it at every turn.

The media is the obvious culprit, but there are countless others.

The reason this is such an important issue is because while Chicken Little treated a single acorn as a sign that the sky was falling, most people today, seem to be treating each and every "acorn" (i.e. negative headlines) as a sure fire indication that the world is coming to an end and the economy and/or stock markets are bound to crash.

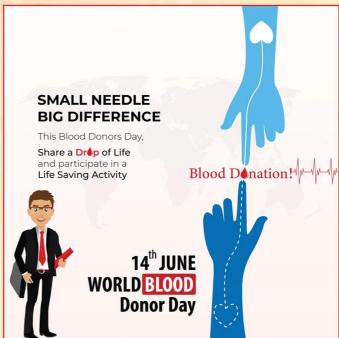
It is Election season in the world, more than 50% of the world population is going to vote this year.

Be wary of the acorns being turned into "The sky is falling" theories. Don't let fear dominate your choice.

The Sky is definitely not falling anytime soon despite all the claims that you may hear, learn from the fables









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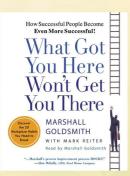
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Money Lessons I learned from Dad

In my college days whenever I confessed to my Dad over the phone of my latest blunder, invariably there was a long silence. Was he angry? His silence was more menacing than a scolding or a lecture, even without him reprimanding, most of the times, his silence worked.

Perhaps most dads are like that — tough on the outside but emotional when nobody is watching. Besides providing emotional and financial security, Dads are also one of the best solutions providers that you will ever find; be it your career, finances or even your love life, depending on how close you are to your dad.

Fathers teach their children many basic things in life: how to read a book, throw a ball, tie a necktie, ride a bike, or drive a car. More importantly, they also help instill time-honoured values in their children, such as hard work, respect, honesty, and being a good citizen.

"Through their words, actions, and sacrifices, fathers play an important role in shaping the characters of their sons and daughters," proclaimed former American President George Bush.

One of the earliest money lessons and the thing I shall always remember is the haggling with my Dad over the increase in my pocket money during my College hostel days and in retrospect the financial lessons they were meant to teach. Living within our means, prioritizing the expenses, the importance of budgeting and making each Rupee count were just some of the lessons. The first priority, the all route DTC Bus pass, ensured you were mobile and payment of Mess Bill and Canteen dues ensured you will not be hungry and nothing else mattered much. A trip to hometown in a deluxe coach was often compromised in lieu of a date and Hot Choc Fudge at Nirula's. For the rest, Jugaad was often the way out and the most common was the somber face that we made and the tutored canteen boy who used to make an appearance at the apt time asking for dues, whenever a relative or an elder cousin came visiting and invariably the outcome used to be a Bonus and a well earned supplement.

No money lesson especially from Dad can be complete without reference to the all time classic written by Robert Kiyosaki, "Rich Dad Poor Dad" which has been one of the most influential books about money lessons since it was first published.

The author, Robert Kiyosaki narrates the money lessons he learnt over the years from two fathers, his biological father (Poor Dad) and his friend's father (Rich dad).

He outlined the stark difference between the two father's ideology of money.

Poor dad (biological father), the educated one believed in "Love of money is the root of all evil" and made money mistakes and was stuck in "rat race".



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