





WHEN TRADE WINDS SHIFT BETWEEN INDIA AND THE US

A Changing Global Partnership

The India-United States trade equation has entered a turbulent phase in 2025. Washington's decision to impose a 25 percent tariff on Indian exports, followed quickly by a steep 50 percent levy effective August 27, has unsettled what was once one of the fastest-growing bilateral trade relationships in the world. For Non-Resident Indians, such shifts have direct implications on investments, remittances, and professional prospects.

Beyond Tariffs: The Strategic Undercurrent

While tariffs dominate headlines, they are only one layer of a more complex story. The duties reflect not just trade balances but also India's choice of purchases from nations involved in the broader geopolitical dynamic shaping commerce. This undercurrent of strategic maneuvering makes the landscape more unpredictable, with ripple effects that can extend far beyond the listed tariffed goods. For NRIs, it underscores the need to interpret trade news not in isolation but as part of a broader diplomatic chessboard.

Rising Technology and Services Trade

Amid this turbulence, technology and services remain the ballast of India-US commerce. Indian IT, consulting, and knowledge industries continue to hold strong appeal in the American market, with NRIs often bridging both ecosystems. Yet this stability is not immune to policy headwinds. Stricter visa rules or constraints on technology transfer could affect mobility, recruitment, and the global talent pipeline. For NRIs in these sectors, foresight and flexibility will be essential.

Manufacturing and Supply Chain Realignments

The disruption has also spotlighted India's role in global supply chain diversification. Industries such as pharmaceuticals, electronics, and renewable energy stand to gain from companies looking beyond China. At the same time, export-oriented sectors like textiles, gems, jewellery, and auto components now face sharp tariff barriers. Government estimates suggest nearly 48 billion dollars' worth of exports will be impacted. NRIs with exposure to these industries, either through business or investment, will need to weigh risks alongside opportunities.

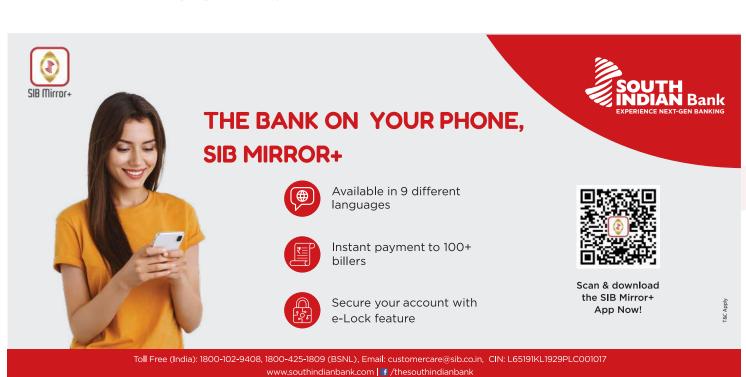
Impact on Currency and Capital Flows

Trade tensions often reverberate in currency markets. A steep tariff burden could weigh on the rupee, while stronger export inflows might support it if talks eventually stabilize. For NRIs, this volatility matters. Fluctuations in exchange rates affect both the value of remittances and the returns on deposits or investments. Keeping a close eye on these movements is therefore essential.

Why Vigilance Matters

While governments work to maintain stable ties, trade relationships remain sensitive to political changes, global conflicts, and domestic priorities. NRIs will benefit by keeping a close watch on these developments, seeking professional advice where needed, and ensuring that their financial choices remain aligned with evolving realities.

India-US trade shifts will continue to carry both opportunities and risks. For NRIs, awareness is the first safeguard. By following the trajectory of these changes, one can make informed decisions that protect wealth while embracing new possibilities. Remaining attentive to policy signals, currency movements, and sectoral opportunities will help ensure that strategies stay relevant in a fast-changing landscape.





INDIAN REAL ESTATE: EMERGING HORIZONS FOR NRI INVESTORS

A Market on the Move

Indian real estate has entered a phase of renewed momentum in 2025. Structural reforms, resilient demand, and rising global interest have made property a compelling option for Non-Resident Indians seeking long-term investment avenues. For NRIs, the attraction lies not only in potential returns but also in the sense of connection to a rapidly evolving homeland. At a time when global markets remain uncertain, Indian property offers a familiar anchor, supported by strong demographic and economic fundamentals.

Residential Demand Rebounds

Urban housing continues to anchor the property story. After a period of consolidation, demand for mid-segment and premium residences has strengthened across metro cities. Stable interest rates, government incentives for affordable housing, and a cultural preference for home ownership have created a favourable environment. NRIs looking to secure family homes or rental income streams find that well-located residential projects offer both financial and emotional value.

Commercial Spaces Gain Traction

Beyond housing, commercial real estate is emerging as a strategic opportunity. Office leasing has surged with global firms expanding their India operations, while co-working and flexible workspaces are reshaping demand. Warehousing and logistics hubs, driven by e-commerce and supply chain realignments, are also attracting institutional capital.

For NRIs, participation is becoming more accessible. Fractional ownership platforms, Real Estate Investment Trusts, and structured investment products now provide avenues to benefit from rental yields and capital appreciation without the complexities of direct property management.

Tier II and Tier III Cities on the Radar

A significant trend is the rising prominence of Tier II and Tier III cities. Improved connectivity, government-backed infrastructure projects, and growing local economies have made cities like Jaipur, Coimbatore, Kochi, and Indore attractive for both residential and commercial investments. Early movers in these markets may benefit from more affordable entry points and significant appreciation potential. For NRIs, these cities also offer the advantage of being less saturated than metros, with opportunities to engage in community-linked development that balances profit with legacy.

Regulatory Clarity and Digital Access

The real estate sector has historically been complex, but reforms such as the Real Estate Regulatory Authority (RERA) Act, have introduced greater transparency and accountability. Combined with the digitization of property records, virtual site tours, and fintech-enabled payment systems, NRIs can now evaluate investments with far more clarity and confidence. At the same time, the basics of diligence remain unchanged. Engaging trusted advisors, verifying documentation, and understanding local regulations are vital to ensure that attractive opportunities translate into secure outcomes.

Why the Moment Matters

India's property market reflects both cyclical recovery and structural transformation. For NRIs, this is a moment to reassess real estate as a balanced component of a wider portfolio. Choices can range from stable residential holdings to high-growth commercial ventures. Currency fluctuations, taxation of rental income, and repatriation rules need to be monitored, yet the long-term narrative remains one of steady expansion. The government's continued emphasis on infrastructure corridors, smart cities, and affordable housing further strengthens the case for sustained growth.

For Non-Resident Indians, property in India represents more than a financial asset. It is a bridge to heritage and a tangible stake in the country's progress. By aligning investment choices with emerging trends, NRIs can capture both value and belonging in the years ahead. Thoughtful selection, informed by professional advice and grounded in long-term perspective, can help transform property into a resilient cornerstone of wealth and identity.



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Japan's National CPI rises 3.1% YoY in July, Core CPI climbs more than expected



Japan's National Consumer Price Index (CPI) rose by 3.1% YoY in July, compared to the previous reading of 3.3%, according to the latest data released by the Japan Statistics

Further details unveil that the National CPI ex Fresh food arrived at 3.1% YoV in July versus.

India sees Asia's biggest earnings downgrades as US tariffs loom

By Patturaja Murugaboopathy and Jaspree Kalra

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India business activity fastest in at least two decades, price rises sharp,

Record expansion was underpinned by the sharpest uptick in total new orders — a key gauge of demand — in nearly 18 years

Updated - August 22, 2025 06:26 am IST -BENGALURU



India private sector activity expanded at the fastest pace on record in August, fuelled by a robust surge in demand led by the dominant

Indian economy likely to have grown between 6.7-7% during April-June quarter

Shishir Sinha | Updated - August 21, 2025 at 04:20 PM

India's O1 FY26 economy remained strong, with Manufacturing PMI at 58.1-58.6, Services PMI at 60.4, CPI inflation at 2.1%, exports up 5.9% yo-y, and forex reserves covering 11 plus months of imports



European shares edge lower ahead of Powell's speech



German economy shrank by 0.3% in Q2, more than initially expected



contraction of 0.3% in the second quarter of 2025.
This is a revision from the initial estimate. Industri
production performed poorly, Household

GoM clears GST 2-slab overhaul, revenue loss in focus



Synopsis
India's GST structure is set for simplification. A
group of ministers approved a plan to move to a
two-sibb system. The CST Gauncii may meet in a
September for faster implementation. The new
structure includes SN, IBN, and 40% slabs. States
are concerned about potential resembe loss. The

Wall Street closes down as investors brace for Powell's speech



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Wall Street indexes declined as investors availed potential hawkish remarks from Federal Riserve Chair Jerome Powell at the Jackson Hole symposium. Concerns about interest rate cuts and Walmarts disappointing quarterly results also weighed on sentiment. Traders have reduced bets on a Sentember rate cut. Consumer statisles led

GDP growth in Q1

demand

projected at 6.7% on

strong govt capex, rural

Canadian PM Mark Carney and President Trump discuss 'new economic and security relationship' amid tariff clash



Mark Carney and Donald Trump talked about trade and security. They want a new economic relationship. But trade is tense, with tariffs on both

South Indian Bank launches 'SIB Gold Xpress', offering instant loans of up to 90% of gold value

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Chennal, 22.08.2025: South Indian Bank has announced the launch of its new gold loan product, SIB Gold Xpress, designed to offer customers quick and convenient access to credit. With this scheme, borrowers can unlock

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US and China are thwarting India's shot at \$7 trillion solar prize



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1 lakh govenrment firm jobs lost to privatisation in 5 years, unemployment worsens

The government carried out strategic disinvestment, which means the entire or substantial sale of government shareholding of a CPSE, along with transfer of management control, in the case of 10 CPSEs since 2016







US DOJ to probe Fed Reserve's Cook, urges Powell to remove her: Report

Cook, who has been accused of mortgage fraud, has said she will not be bullied by Trump into resigning.



RBI keeps repo rate unchanged: Check home loan rates of top banks

Home loon rates range from 7.3% to 9%, with Canana Bank and Union Bank affering lowest rates at 7.30% for Rs 50 lakh loan.

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The Reserve Bank of India's Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) unanimously decided to keep the reporate unchanged at 5.50 percent on August 6.

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	The Bank of New York Mellon (BNY Mellon), 240 Greenwich Street NY 10286, USA ABA ROUTING NO: 021000018	803-3162-716	IRVT US3N
	Standard Chartered Bank, One Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10010-3603 ABA ROUTING NO: 026002561	3582021649001	SCBLUS33
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	Standard Chartered Bank, 1 Basinghall Avenue, London EC2V 5DD, United Kingdom IBAN Number: GB88 SCBL 6091 0412 6928 56	01269285601	SCBLGB2L
EURO	J P Morgan SE , Taunustor 1, 60310 Frankfurt am Main , Germany, IBAN: DE55501108006231419232	6231419232	CHASDEFX
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CHF (Swiss Franc)	Zurcher Kantonalbank, Hardstrasse 201, Zrich (Prime Tower) IBAN Number : CH9500700070001284444	0-0700-01284444	ZKBKCHZZ80A
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SGD (Singapore Dollar)	DBS Bank Ltd 12 Marina Boulevard, Marina Bay Financial Centre Tower 3, Singapore-018982	037-003682-0	DBSSSGSG
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