

The Week that was

July 31, 2026

“Markets rebound sharply as IT and Auto lead widespread weekly recovery”

Indian Developments

Broad markets displayed a strong bullish reversal for the week ending July 31, 2026, with the benchmark **Nifty 50 gaining 2.59%** to close at **24,383.60**. Heavy corrections from the prior week were entirely erased across segments, as the **Nifty 100 rallied 2.60%**. Mid-cap and small-cap segments also joined the recovery, with the **Nifty Midcap 150 expanding by 2.00%** and the **Nifty Small cap 250 climbing 1.81%**.

INDIA VIX collapsed by 16.18% over the week, plunging from 14.03 to settle at **11.76**. This sharp drop indicates cooling market anxiety and heightened stability among market participants.

Sectoral Developments

The Winners: Growth-heavy and technology pockets dominated the weekly chart. Nifty IT led the gainers with a massive +6.75% surge, closely followed by Nifty Media (+5.97%) and Nifty Auto (+5.61%).

The Laggards: Defensive and stable income pockets saw the lowest capital allocation over the week. Nifty FMCG finished nearly flat at +0.14%, while interest-sensitive sectors lagged behind the main index moves, as seen in Nifty PSU Bank climbing just +0.26% and Nifty Private Bank rising +0.90%.

Global Developments

Global equity markets faced widespread downward pressure, heavily impacted by an accelerating global macroeconomic rebalancing and sectoral corrections.

- **USA:** Indexes finished highly divergent under institutional profit-booking, while investors weighed incoming quarterly corporate earnings.
- **Asian Markets:** Broad bearishness swept across regional economies, keeping domestic indices under global structural pressure.

Other Markets:

- Brent Crude: **\$88.00 per barrel**
- Rupee ended the week at **₹95.30 against the US dollar**
- 10-Year Benchmark Yield: **6.82%**.

Source: www.nseindices.com; MCX Gold Prices; Economic times, Bloomberg.

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