ITI Morning Boost

August 20, 2026

NIFTY – 24,078.30 (Daily Chart)

•In Wednesday's trading session, the Nifty opened on a negative note and remained under pressure throughout the session, resulting in a negative close for the seventh consecutive trading session.

• On a daily scale, the index has formed a bearish candle and slipped below the 100 DEMA, continuing to trade below this key moving average. The index also managed to fill the gap created on 29 July. The RSI is gradually trending lower, indicating weakness in the index. However, the positive takeaway for the bulls is that the index is holding the support of the rising trendline. If this support is sustained, the possibility of a bounce cannot be ruled out. The 24,000 level will act as a crucial psychological support.

• **For Thursday's trading session, 24,025 will act as the initial support level, while on the higher end, 24,110 will act as the initial resistance level.**

BANK NIFTY – 57,239.75 (Daily Chart)

- In Wednesday's trading session, the banking index opened on a negative note but remained range-bound throughout the session, which helped limit further downside. The index nevertheless closed in negative territory.

- On a daily scale, the index has formed a Doji candlestick pattern, indicating indecisiveness among market participants. The index continues to remain in a prolonged consolidation phase, hovering within the broad 55,890–58,705 range for the past two months. A decisive breakout on either side of this range will determine the next directional move.

- **For Thursday's trading session, 57,000 will act as the initial support level, while on the higher end, 57,280 will act as the initial resistance level.**

TITAN CMP- 5,068.00(Daily Chart) BUY ABOVE 5,075 SL 5,025 TGT 5,180.

DABUR CMP- 399.75 (Daily Chart) SELL FUT BELOW 399 SL 402.95 TGT 391.

STOCK’S IN NEWS

HDFCLIFE : The firm said it has received approval from the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) for the reappointment of Vibha Padalkar as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer for a period of five years, effective September 12, 2026.

CMP- 536.30
IMPACT- **NEUTRAL**

HYUNDAI : South Korean auto major said it will increase the prices of its vehicles by up to 1% across its portfolio, effective September 2026. The price revision has been necessitated by rising input and commodity costs, higher operational expenses, and continuing geopolitical and macroeconomic uncertainties, among other factors.

CMP- 2,174.50
IMPACT- **POSITIVE**

OIL : The Maharatna CPSE has fixed September 4, 2026 as the record date for final dividend for 2025-26, which was recommended by the board on May 13, 2026. The dividend will be paid within the stipulated period of 30 days after shareholders’ approval.

CMP- 474.85
IMPACT- **NEUTRAL**

LALPATHLAB : Major diagnostic chain said its wholly owned Dubai-based subsidiary, Dr Lal PathLabs FZCO, has incorporated a new company, Dr Lal PathLabs Indomed LLC, in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, on August 19, 2026. The subsidiary will subscribe to 70% of the share capital of the newly incorporated entity.

CMP- 1,887.20
IMPACT- **POSITIVE**

ECONOMIC NEWS

- RBI Governor Sanjay Malhotra said greater clarity on the inflation trajectory is needed before any recalibration of the policy rate, as the central bank remains alert to risks from food, fuel and input costs. The MPC retained the repo rate, with members favouring a wait-and-watch approach amid persistent uncertainties.

- India's outward FDI rose 17% year-on-year to $5.70 billion in July from $4.88 billion a year earlier, according to provisional RBI data. It was also higher than the $3.14 billion recorded in June.

- Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal leads a large delegation to Singapore. This visit aims to strengthen trade and investment ties between the two nations. The delegation will engage in discussions on partnerships and technology collaboration. Singapore remains a significant economic partner and investment source for India.

NIFTY50 TOP GAINERS

Company	Price	Change	%Gain
HCL Tech	1,324.80	26.80	2.06
JSW Steel	1,285.80	18.20	1.44
Sun Pharma	1,900.00	24.90	1.33
Eternal	320.00	4.10	1.30
Wipro	179.55	1.49	0.84

NIFTY50 TOP LOSERS

Company	Price	Change	%Gain
Max Healthcare	997.00	-17.40	-1.72
Coal India	400.00	-6.90	-1.70
Power Grid Corp	263.50	-4.50	-1.68
Bajaj Finance	1,080.20	-14.10	-1.29
ITC	267.05	-2.95	-1.09

NIFTY200 TOP GAINERS

Company	Price	Change	%Gain
ICICIAMC	3,260.90	154.90	4.99
Adani Total Gas	664.25	16.95	2.62
One 97 Paytm	1,583.50	37.20	2.41
COFORGE	1,813.10	40.10	2.26
Dixon Technolog	14,462.00	312.00	2.20

NIFTY200 TOP LOSERS

Company	Price	Change	%Gain
Hitachi Energy	33,800.00	-1,475.00	-4.18
Adani Energy	1,540.70	-62.30	-3.89
CG Power	863.05	-31.15	-3.48
Page Industries	35,240.00	-1,185.00	-3.25
Bharat Dynamics	1,349.00	-44.00	-3.16

OPEN INTEREST GAINERS

Symbol	Price	Change	Change%	Open Interest ('000)	Open Int Chg %
LTF	315.90	-9.95	-3.05%	43,670.30	2.58%
SBILIFE	1,782.60	2.20	0.12%	5,969.60	2.58%
SONACOMS	826.40	-1.10	-0.13%	14,266.40	1.74%
IRFC	85.03	-0.95	-1.10%	94,335.30	1.36%
ASTRAL	1,540.60	13.70	0.90%	6,693	0.93%

OPEN INTEREST LOSERS

Symbol	Price	Change	Change%	Open Interest ('000)	Open Int Chg %
AUROPHARMA	1,619.20	-22.00	-1.34%	6,353.10	-30.60%
CANBK	128.69	-0.33	-0.26%	2,66,436.00	-22.38%
INDIGO	5,197.50	-19.50	-0.37%	4,145.10	-21.95%
PFC	373.40	-0.90	-0.24%	46,441.20	-14.91%
INDUSTOWER	372.60	-2.15	-0.57%	76,497	-14.30%

INDEX HIGHEST OI

F&O Ban list
BANDHANBNK
SAIL
MANAPPURAM
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Monthly exp	Indices	Highest CE strike	Highest PE strike	PCR OI
25/08/26	NIFTY	24,500	24,000	0.70
25/08/26	BANKNIFTY	58,000	57,000	0.71

FII & DII TRADING ACTIVITY CASH

	FII Rs Crores			DII Rs Crores		
Date	Gross Purchase	Gross Sales	Net Purchase / Sales	Gross Purchase	Gross Sales	Net Purchase / Sales
Month till date	1,82,982.29	1,79,341.94	3,640.35	2,21,087.19	1,92,379.70	28,707.49
19-Aug-26	12,875.76	12,467.77	407.99	17,288.58	13,314.86	3,973.72
18-Aug-26	13,543.30	11,891.77	1,651.53	15,566.07	12,986.76	2,579.31
17-Aug-26	11,546.16	14,081.26	-2,535.10	16,654.08	11,552.62	5,101.46
14-Aug-26	12,854.44	12,346.32	508.12	14,295.49	13,939.09	356.40

FII & DII TRADING ACTIVITY STOCK F&O

	FII Stock Fut			FII Stock Opt		
Date	Gross Purchase	Gross Sales	Net Purchase / Sales	Gross Purchase	Gross Sales	Net Purchase / Sales
Month till date	2,23,684.58	2,26,453.00	-2,768.42	2,89,999.68	2,96,224.81	-6,225.13
19-Aug-26	26,817.41	26,369.99	447.42	29,191.17	30,288.49	-1,097.32
18-Aug-26	17,969.04	19,722.04	-1,753.00	25,803.67	26,944.96	-1,141.29
17-Aug-26	12,975.58	12,829.03	146.55	21,598.43	22,027.06	-428.63
14-Aug-26	13,934.61	14,108.71	-174.10	22,502.13	23,034.52	-532.39

*Data in above table is based on previous day closing bases.

TOP SECTORS PERFORMANCE OF THE DAY

Name	Daily (%)	1 Week (%)	1 Month (%)	3 Months (%)	6 Months (%)	1 Year (%)
Sugar	3.13	6.94	11.49	12.87	22.11	3.21
Air Transport Service	2.42	-2.92	-0.05	11.18	15.5	-14.41
Railways	1.27	-3.84	-4.18	-10.07	-18.89	-26.45
Shipping	1.22	-3.58	-4.6	-6.1	3.53	29.11
Refractories	1.08	1.26	3.21	23.27	19.83	23.5

UPCOMING ECONOMIC EVENTS

Thursday, 20 August 2026	Country	Event’s	Forecast		Previous
18:00	US	Philadelphia Fed Manufacturing Index (Aug)	24.3		41.4
18:00	US	Initial Jobless Claims	210K		209K
Friday, 21 August 2026					
10:30	IN	S&P Global Services PMI (Aug)			5.30
10:30	IN	S&P Global Manufacturing PMI (Aug)			53.50
17:00	IN	FX Reserves, USD			707.00B
19:15	US	S&P Global Manufacturing PMI (Aug)	54.00		53.90
19:15	US	S&P Global Services PMI (Aug)	53.90		54.60

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