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Banking News

HDFC Bank raises Rs. 2,775 crore through Qualified Institutions Placements (QIP)

- HDFC Bank made a statement that it raised Rs. 2,775 crore. HDFC did so by issuing over 1.28 crore shares through QIP.
- As per the Bank's statement, the share allotment committee of directors has given an approval to the issue and the allotment of 5,25,00,000 equity shares underlying the 1,75,00,000 ADRs to JP Morgan Chase Bank NA as depository pursuant to the ADR offering.

HDFC Bank :

- MD and CEO Aditya Puri
- Headquarters Mumbai
- Founded on August 1994, India

ICICI Bank drops 2% on account of the ongoing investigation against the CEO Chanda Kocchar

- ICICI Bank reported the fall of 2% on August 02, 2018.
- ICICI Bank has been facing issues involving CEO Chanda Kochhar.
- The newly appointed chairman of ICICI Bank Mr. Girish Chandra Chaturvedi has assured the stakeholders, "It will be my topmost priority to uphold best governance practices at this esteemed institution.

ICICI Bank:

- Tag line Hum Hai Na, Khyal Apka
- Headquarters Mumbai

SBI and Jio extends their partnership for digital platform

- State Bank of India has been an equity partner in Reliance Jio's
- This partnership has been taken a step forward by including digital platforms on August 02.
- According to the partnership norms, digital platforms will include ATMs and point of sale (PoS) terminals while SBI's mobile banking application called "Yono" will be through the Jio's mobile application -"MyJio".



Canara Bank announces the retirement of MD and CEO under Regulation 30.

- Canara Bank made an official announcement about the retirement of Shri Rakesh Sharma, managing director and CEO, Canara Bank, under the Regulation 30 of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015.
- Shri Rakesh Sharma retires from the service of the Bank on July 31, 2018 on account of attaining the age of superannuation.

HDFC Bank launches share sale up to Rs. 15,500 Crore.

- HDFC Bank launched a share sale in India and the US on July 30, 2018.
- This launch is said be a part of the bank's announced plan to raise more than \$2 billion.



HDFC raises the interest rates on home loans by 20 basis points.

- Revised home loan rates will be applicable from August 1, 2018.
- According to the revised rates, home loan of up to Rs 30 lakh will be provided to the women borrowers at

8.7 percent while other customers can avail the loan at an interest rate of 8.75 percent.

• To avail a loan of more than Rs 30 lakhs, women borrowers will have to pay interest of 8.80 per cent while other borrowers will be having to pay an interest rate of 8.85 per cent

RBI continues to keep the guards up against future

- Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) headed by RBI Governor Urjit Patel raised a red flag over an anticipated spike in prices in the near future. On Wednesday the MPC hiked the benchmark interest rate by 25 basis points.
- The GDP growth projection for the current fiscal are kept stable at 7.4%

What is Inflation?

- A continuous and gradual rise in prices and fall in the purchase value of money.
- Gross Domestic Product, is the final value of goods produced and services provided in a country during a financial year.

LIC-IDBI: Cabinet gives an approval to the LIC's acquisition of 51% stake in IDBI Bank

- The Union Cabinet, Chaired by the President Shri. Narendra Modi approves the deal that LIC acquires the 51% stake in the IDBI Bank. As per the proposal, IDBI Bank will issue preferential shares to LIC to raise
- LIC currently holds 8 per cent stake in the debtridden IDBI Bank. This means LIC will raise its stake in the bank up to 51 per cent, which makes makes it a majority holder in the bank.
 - CEO B Sriram
 - Headquarters Mumbai
 - Founded in 1964

Government to impose safeguard duty on import of the solar cells for 2 years

- The Ministry of Finance released a notification regarding the decision to impose safeguard duty on solar panels imported from China and Malaysia.
- A request was made by the domestic manufacturers for imposition of provisional safeguard duty to provide interim relief to the domestic industry from suffering irreparable damage.
- This move makes it certain to raise tariffs of future solar projects.

What is safeguard Duty?

- It is a duty payable on import of goods that are already being manufactured in India.
- However, the cost of import is considerably lesser than manufacturing and purchasing in the country.

Indian Motorcycle and HDFC bank to present Limited-Period Finance Offers

- Indian Motorcycle has tied up with HDFC bank to offer two-wheeler loan, for purchasing Indian for a limited period.
- One can avail Motorcycle model, from HDFC bank at low interest rate of 7.99% with 85 per cent loan facility for 3 years on the total amount.
- This offer can be availed only in the month of August 2018.
- The offer also includes a benefit of initial down payment of ₹ 2 lakh if you buy a Scout Sixty, Scout or the Scout Bobber.

"Ripple future" cryptocurrency scam

- Ghaziabad Police on Thursday August 02, 2018 arrested two men in a cryptocurrency scam.
- They are suspected for allegedly cheating 1,800 people for Rs 30 crore.
- According to the reports, the two arrested convicts were accused of running a fraudulent cryptocurrency company called the "Ripple Future".
- "Ripple Future" duped people of Rs. 30 Crore by false-promising the investors to triple their invested money within a time span of 30 days.

ITR filing deadline extended from July 31, 2018 to August 31, 2018

- In relief to taxpayers who have not yet filed their income tax returns, or ITR, the tax department has extended the last date for filing tax returns. The due date for filing ITR for financial year 2017-18 or assessment year 2018-19 has been extended to 31 August, from 31 July.
- The last date for filing of income tax returns for Assessment Year 2018-19 is 31.07.2018 for certain taxpayers.

Appointments and Resignations

Deepak re-appointed as director on HDFC board

- Deepak Parekh was re-appointed as a Non-Executive Director on the board of the country's largest mortgage lender HDFC.
- HDFC Chairman Parekh secured approval of 77.36% shareholders at the annual general meeting (AGM) of the company.

Parekh has been at the helm of HDFC for close to 30 years.

HSBC appoints Surendra Rosha as India CEO

- The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation announced the appointment of Surendra Rosha as Chief Executive Officer for HSBC India.
- Rosha is currently HSBC's Head of Financial Institutions Group (FIG) for Asia-Pacific.
- Rosha joined HSBC's Indian operations in 1991.
- He has worked in multiple roles in forex trading, corporate treasury sales, treasury and capital markets.

Paytm Payments Bank CEO Renu Satti resigns

- Paytm Payments Bank CEO Renu Satti has resigned from the role and will now head Paytm's new retail initiative.
- In the past, she has built businesses ground up that include marketplace, movie ticketing and Paytm Payments Bank.
- Under the 'New Retail' model, consumers will soon be able to discover nearby pharmacies, groceries and other shops to place an order and get instant deliveries.

Financial Schemes & MoUs

Government extended the CFS

- The government extended the Concessional Financing Scheme (CFS) till 2023 to support Indian entities bidding for important infrastructure projects abroad.
- Under the scheme, the government provides the counter-guarantee and interest equalisation to EXIM bank.
- Also, the scheme will now cover all Indian entities, compared to the earlier stipulation of minimum 75% Indian shareholding.

Bill for merger of subsidiary banks with SBI

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SBI Bank :

- Chairman Rajnish Kumar
- Headquarters Mumbai