MARKET WATCH

	30-10-2017	% CHANGE
Sensex	33,266	0.33
US Dollar	64.85	0.31
Gold	30,275	-0.25
Brent oil	60.44	0.31

NIFTY 50		
	PRICE	CHANGE
Adani Ports		
Ambuja Cements	283.55	4.65
Asian Paints	1182.55	2.00
Aurobindo Pharma	767.15	5.10
Axis Bank	484.00	-1.95
Bajaj Auto	3282.20	17.95
Bajaj Finance	1804.30	14.70
Bharti Airtel	492.90	7.60
Bosch	21259.05	-44.45
BPCL	536.25	8.30
Cipla	626.05	1.00
Coal India	288.90	-0.25
Dr Reddys Lab	2438.50	43.55
Eicher Motors	32371.05	559.30
GAIL (India)	475.70.	4.60
HCL Tech	836.35	18.60
HDFC	1705.80	6.75
HDFC Bank	1815.00	23.95
Hero MotoCorp	3833.00	46.35
Hindalco	273.20.	3.15
HPCL	454.80	-1.25
Hind Unilever	1234.20	-25.95
Indiabulls HFL	1261.10	-3.20
ICICI Bank	300.55	-0.60
IndusInd Bank	1620.75	-6.60
Bharti Infratel	429.70	11.15
Infosys	944.10	-2.25
Indian OilCorp		
ITC		
Kotak Bank	1028.90	0.10

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942.50

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EXCHANGE RATES Indicative direct rates in rupees a unit

M&M

ONGC

Maurti Suzuki

PowerGrid Corp

Reliance Ind

State Bank

Tata Motors

Tata Steel

Vedanta

YES Bank

Tech Mahindra

CURRENCY	TT BUY	TT SELL
US Dollar	64.65	64.97
Euro	75.21	75.58
British Pound	85.18	85.61
Japanese Yen (100).	56.89	57.17
Chinese Yuan	9.73	9.78
Swiss Franc	64.78	65.11
Singapore Dollar	47.42	47.66
Canadian Dollar	50.37	50.62
Malaysian Ringitt	15.24	15.34

BULLION RATES CHENNAI October 30 rates in rupees with previous rates in parentheses

BUSINESS CONNECT

Lenders to take 51% in Reliance Comm

Aim to sell assets to repay ₹17,000 crore debt; Mukesh Ambani's Jio may be potential bidder

PIYUSH PANDEY

Promoters of the Anil Ambani-led Reliance Communications (RCom) will cede control to lenders who will own 51% stake in the debtladen company.

Debt of ₹7,000 crore will be converted into equity. Promoter holding in RCom will decline to 26% from 59%. This comes after RCom's talks with rival Aircel to merge its wireless business with the latter fell through.

Mukesh Ambani-led Reliance Jio is likely to bid for RCom's assets, it is learnt.

When asked about the possibility of Reliance Jio buying out 51% stake in RCom from the joint lenders' forum-led sale process, Puneet Garg, executive director, RCom, said, "They [Jio] don't want to deal directly but have shown interest in bidding for many of our as-



Exit pangs: Lenders have appointed SBI Capital Markets as adviser to help monetise the assets of the company. • REUTERS

sets in a transparent manner." However, he did not reveal names of interested buyers citing non-disclosure agreements. "All I can say is that if they are one of the interested parties and if they emerge as the winner, their name will be disclosed."

A mail sent to Reliance Jio

regarding its interest in buying RCom and its assets re-

mained unanswered.

RCom's lenders have appointed SBI Capital Markets
Limited as the adviser to run
a competitive process meant
to monetise the assets of the
company.

RCom has presented a

comprehensive debt resolution plan to its domestic and foreign lenders, which envisages no loan write-offs by them.

As per the plan, the company will pay off up to ₹17,000 crore of debt, by monetising assets including spectrum, towers, fibre and media convergence nodes.

Additional dabt

Additional debt
Besides, RCom will pay an additional ₹10,000 crore of debt out of the proceeds of sales and commercial development of Dhirubhai Ambani Knowledge City and other real estate assets across eight metros. The firm's current outstanding debt stands at ₹45.000 crore.

After the asset sale, RCom will be left with a portfolio comprising enterprise, carrier, Internet data centre and global submarine cable networks in India and overseas. It will also have revenues and

secured debt of ₹6,000 crore each.

"Debt of ₹7,000 crore is proposed to be converted into 51% of the company's equity, as per the SDR guidelines of the RBI.

"Shareholders of the company at the AGM held on September 26 have already approved issuance of equity shares to lenders by conversion of loans," said a company statement.

RCom is under a standstill (or moratorium) period for interest and principal repayments till December 2018 and expects to complete the SDR process as per applicable RBI guidelines.

"Mukesh Ambani is interested in buying out Reliance Communications from Anil Ambani but in a transparent manner so that he knows exactly what he is getting and for what amount," investment advisor S.P. Tulsian told *The Hindu*



App-solutely smart: The government wants the app to provide many features to attract users. • SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

New version of BHIM app misses Oct. date

'Upgrade' pushes roll-out by a month

YUTHIKA BHARGAVA NEW DELHI

The Centre's plan to unveil a new version of its flagship digital payment application BHIM (Bharat Interface for Money) as a single interface point for all mobile payments seems to have hit a roadblock, with its proposed roll-out being pushed back by at least a month.

To achieve its target of 2,500 crore digital transactions for 2017-18, the government wants the new BHIM app to be a "fully functional" one that enables utility payments, recharge of mobile phones or wallets and other periodical payments, said a senior official at the Ministry of Electronics and IT (Meity).

'All-inclusive app'

The government wants the BHIM ecosystem to represent India's digital transaction system "and the application has to provide all the features" to attract users. "This will require a major software feature enhancement on which the NPCI is working," the official said.

The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) was tasked with rolling out the application by October 15. However, it is now likely to be around November 15. "Of the 2,500 crore transactions, UPI and BHIM will be a big contributor," the official said. NPCI refused to comment on the reasons for delay.

As per reports, UPI is ex-

pected to account for about 40 crore transactions. In September, the NPCI board had approved B. Sambamurthy's appointment as the interim chairman of the board, replacing Balachandran M, while in

August, Dilip Asbe was appointed as CEO-in-charge after the term of A.P. Hota came to an end.

The MeitY official added

that NPCI was also working on integrating the Bharat QR code with BHIM app. "This will enable a uni-

"This will enable a universal acceptance mode for digital transactions. There will be almost negligible transaction cost," the official said, adding that the code would be displayed by all merchants, government departments and PSU receipt points and enable payment of utility bills, GST bills, public transport, etc.

To popularise BHIM and push transactions through the application, the government is also in discussion with banks to re-brand their UPI-applications to BHIM and the name of the bank. For example, SBI's application will be called SBIBHIM.

Jaitley-led panel to oversee PSB mergers

Goyal, Sitharaman are also members

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Moving ahead with reforms in the public sector banking space, the government has constituted a Ministerial panel headed by Finance Minister Arun Jaitley that will oversee merger proposals of state-owned banks.

The other members of

the panel include Railways and Coal Minister Piyush Goyal and Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman. "Govt. walks the talk on

banking reforms; constitutes Alternative Mechanism for PSBs consolidation; Finance Minister to head," Financial Services Secretary Rajiv Kumar tweeted.

While announcing the



Arun Jaitley

unprecedented ₹2.11 lakh crore capital infusion roadmap for the public sector banks last week, Mr. Jaitley had said this will be accompanied by series of banking reforms over next few months.

Secretary The constitution of Aled. ternative Mechanism is a cing the movement in that direction.

Centre extends last date for filing GST returns

Notification will be issued shortly, says Finance Ministry

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI

The Centre extended the last date for filing GSTR-2 returns, required to claim input tax credit under the Goods and Services Tax (GST) regime, for July, till November 30. The earlier deadline was October 31.

At the same time, the last date for filing GSTR-3 returns for July, 2017 was extended to December 11 as opposed to the November 10 deadline, the Finance Ministry said.

"A notification in this regard is being issued very shortly. This will facilitate about 30.81 lakh taxpayers filing GSTR-2 for the month



of July, 2017," the Ministry said on Monday.

This is the latest in a series of steps by the government to facilitate the transition of businesses into the new indirect tax system. Last week, the Ministry decided to waive the late fee on

cing] the anxiety among various industry players caused on account of various challenges being faced in filing GSTR 2 and the fact that government utility for filing the same was released only a few days back," said Abhishek Jain, tax partner at EY India.

of August and September in

view of the difficulties faced

by taxpayers during the pro-

"This would aid in [redu-

cess of filing returns.

'Less anxiety'

Deloitte India partner M.S. Mani said the additional time for filing returns could boost GST compliance.

ZI CLINIC CELEBRATES FIRST ANNIVERSARY



ZI Clinic, the finest luxury skin clinic in Chennai celebrated its first anniversary recently at their Poes Garden clinic. The centre offers clinical dermatology and aesthetic skin care services at affordable prices. Run by the Celebrity Dermatologist, Dr. Sethuraman V, whose core interest is Cosmetic Dermatology includes skin care, anti-aging, body contouring, hair and laser treatments, the clinic offers a range of skin, hair and laser treatments under the reassuring care of experienced dermatologists and skin care experts with FDA approved world class technologies. The centre has also launched its second clinic at Anna Nagar. For more details contact *91 93397 12345 or write to info@ziclinic.com or just visit www.ziclinic.com.

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GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATED BY KINGSWAY CONSULTANTS



M/s Kingsway Consultants a leading firm of Architects and Engineers, No.13, Jarret Gardens, Casa Major Road, Egmore, Chennai celebrated their Golden Jubilee Anniversary recently at Hotel Raddison Blu. G. Viswanathan, Chancellor of VIT University presided over the function. Deepak Nallusamy, Director, Saveetha University, Jayakumar Daniel, Chancellor's Representative, Karunya University, Rev. Fr. Arul Raj, Principal of Don Bosco School, Dr. Shuba Charles, Psychiatrist, Immanual Koilraj, Chairman, Builder's Association, Andaman Nicobar Islands and Bobby Benedict Managing Director of B & B Developers & Builders spoke on the occasion and greeted M/s Kingsway Consultants on successful completion of 50th Anniversary.

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KVB INAUGURATES ITS 730™ BRANCH IN

Karur Vysya Bank (KVB) expanded its footprint with the inauguration of its 730° Branch at Plot No. 26, Judge Cehllappa Naickar Street, Poonamallee, Chennai - 600 056. This is the 44° Branch of the Bank in the metro. The branch is equipped with onsite ATM and offers gamut of KVB products including a customized deposit and loan schemes and NRI services. The Branch is equipped with a Cash Recycler, which both accepts and dispenses cash. The Branch was inaugurated by Dr. K. Krishnaraj, MBBS, DPH, Deputy Director of Public Health, Poonamallee, Chennai. S. Chitra, Municipal Commissioner, Poonamallee lit the Lamp. G R Sairaj, General Manager and V Anburaj, Deputy General Manager, Chennai Division participated. The Branch Head, D. Sivaprakash can be reached on 89398 2185.

BUTTERFLY REIGNITES THE JOY OF COOKING



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