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WHEN SOFTWARE GOES SHOPPING

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AI agents are learning to run our errands.

Inside: Indian IT's rally and  TSMC's chip sales.



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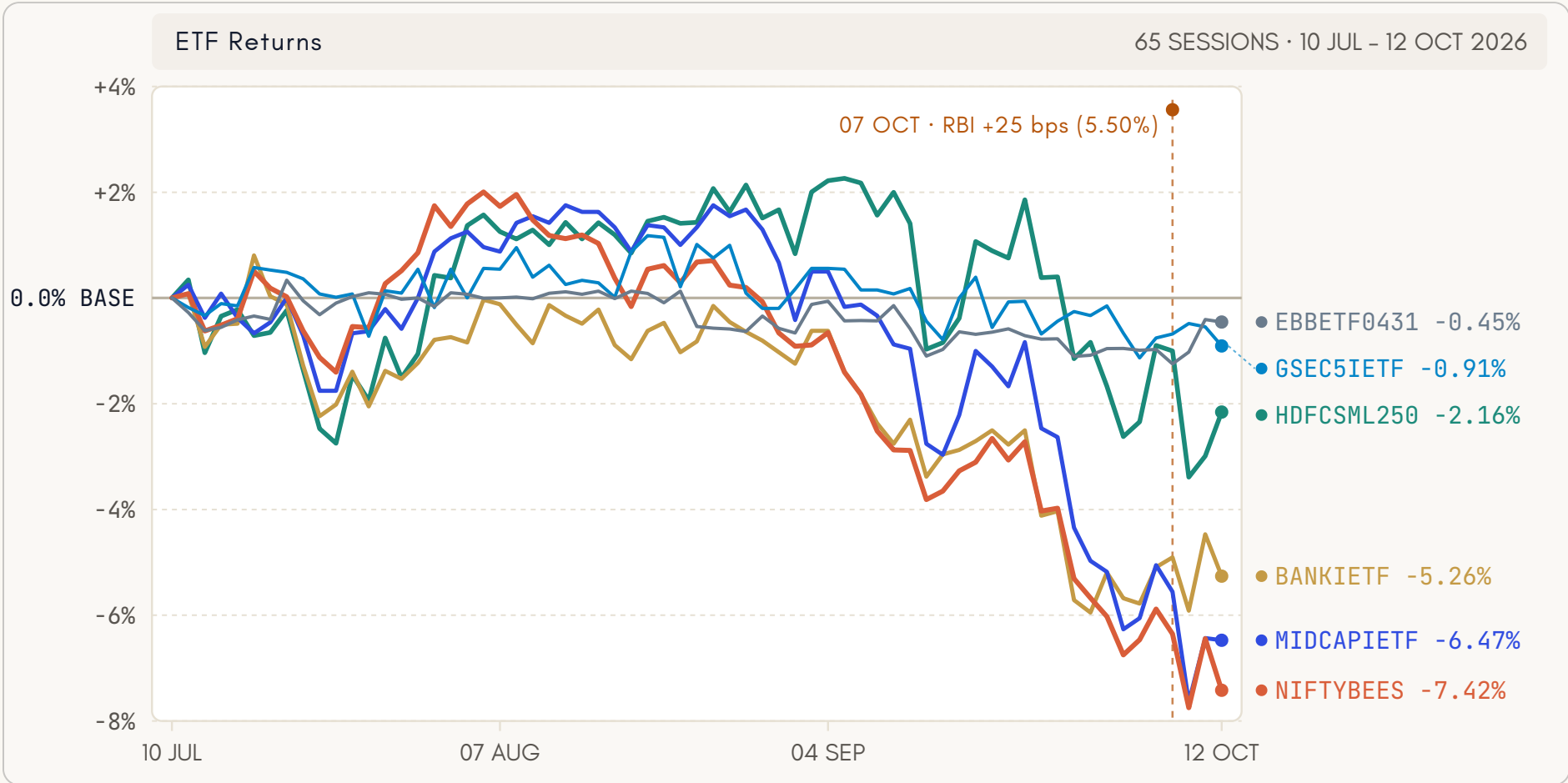


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Smallcaps took the *smaller* hit.



Smallcaps fell 2.2%. Nifty 50 fell 7.4%.



ETF RETURNS	3-MONTH	YTD
● Edelweiss Bharat Bond ETF Apr-2031 EBBETF0431	-0.45%	+2.75%
● ICICI Prudential Nifty 5yr Benchmark G-Sec ETF GSEC5IETF	-0.91%	+2.44%
● HDFC Nifty Smallcap 250 ETF HDFCSML250	-2.16%	+6.53%
● ICICI Prudential Bank Nifty ETF BANKIETF	-5.26%	-7.41%
● ICICI Prudential Nifty Midcap 150 ETF MIDCAPIETF	-6.47%	-2.27%
● Nippon India ETF Nifty 50 BeES NIFTYBEES	-7.42%	-13.77%

Takeaways

- Smallcaps fell less over three months and stayed positive for the year.
- Banks beat midcaps over three months, but trailed them this year. The time window changes the ranking.

One week. Four different *moves*.



Weekly price changes from 5 to 12 October 2026 across 10 ETFs and benchmarks. Sorted from the largest gain to the largest fall.

INSTRUMENT	SEGMENT	5 OCT CLOSE	12 OCT CLOSE	WEEKLY % CHANGE
ICICI Prudential Bank Nifty ETF BANKIETF • NSE ETF	BANKING	₹56.07	₹56.38	+0.55%
Edelweiss Bharat Bond ETF Apr-2031 EBBETF0431 • Target Debt	PSU BOND	₹1,427.05	₹1,434.77	+0.54%
S&P 500 Index (US Benchmark) SPX • 9 Oct Close (pts)	US EQUITY	7,774.22 pts	7,811.54 pts	+0.48%
ICICI Prudential Nifty 5yr Benchmark G-Sec ETF GSEC5IETF • Short G-Sec	5Y SOVEREIGN	₹65.39	₹65.54	+0.23%
HDFC Nifty Smallcap 250 ETF HDFCSML250 • NSE ETF	SMALL CAP	₹178.32	₹178.66	+0.19%
Nippon India ETF Liquid BeES LIQUIDBEES • Overnight Cash	CASH / NAV	₹1,000.00	₹1,000.00	0.00%
Nippon India ETF Gold BeES GOLDBEES • Commodity ETF	GOLD	₹56.54	₹56.38	-0.28%
ICICI Prudential Nifty Midcap 150 ETF MIDCAPIETF • NSE ETF	MID CAP	₹22.21	₹22.11	-0.45%
SBI ETF 10 Year Gilt SETF10GILT • Long G-Sec	10Y SOVEREIGN	₹260.58	₹258.55	-0.78%
Nippon India ETF Nifty 50 BeES NIFTYBEES • NSE ETF	LARGE CAP	₹257.29	₹254.66	-1.02%

Banks rose. The wider market fell.
Bank Nifty ETF gained +0.55% while the Nifty 50 ETF slipped -1.02% and midcaps fell -0.45%. A resilient banking week did not lift the broad index.

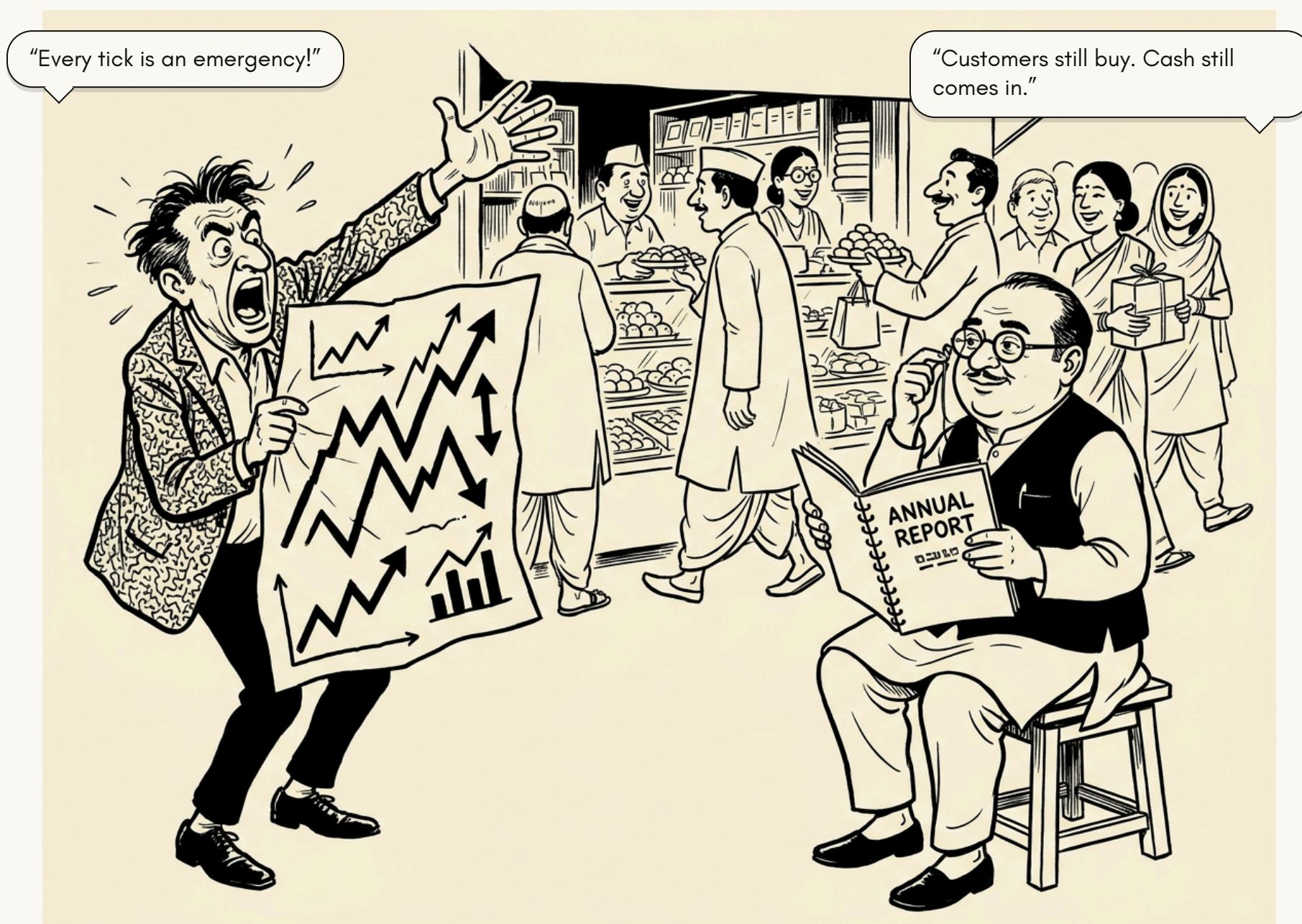
Short bonds held up. Ten-year gilts fell.
Five-year G-Secs (+0.23%) and 2031 target-maturity bonds (+0.54%) rose, while 10-year Gilt ETFs dropped -0.78% as longer-dated yields repriced after the RBI hike.

Cutoff: 12 Oct 2026 15:30 IST (NSE settled closes in ₹; SPX settled 9 Oct in index pts)

Short-term noise. Long-term *business*.



Price moves quickly. Understanding a business takes longer.



Look behind the price: customers, cash and business quality.

The price dips, your phone lights up, and suddenly everyone has a reason to sell. A red screen can make a small wobble feel like a verdict on your future.

Then look inside the business. Customers may still be buying. Bills may still be paid. A falling ticker doesn't tell us whether the company has weakened or its shares have become more attractive. That answer lives in sales, cash, debt and the price you pay.

A cheaper share still needs a sound business case.

An AI agent walks into a *shop*.



Tell your AI the errand. Let it deal with the shop.

CUSTOMER INSTRUCTION
Return this jacket

RETAILER COUNTER
Supported task: returns



AGENT PERMISSION
Return only

Poppy draft • 9 Oct 2026 • Muse download estimate: first 22 days, US & Canada • Early design, not universal rollout.

Today we tap through apps. Personal AI agents aim to do the errand for us. On 9 October, Sierra published Poppy, a draft shared with Meta, Stripe, Shopify and other partners.

In its jacket-return example, your agent identifies itself and uses only the access you approved. The shop sets the rules. You keep control.

Meta’s Muse reached an estimated 5 million downloads in 22 days in the US and Canada. That shows interest, not proven use. For Indian businesses, customers may start sending instructions instead of visiting an app.

The next person in the queue might be someone’s software.

IT shares rose. Did the business *improve*?

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US green-card scrutiny returned. Indian IT shares still rose.

US GREEN-CARD REVIEW
Reported pause at 8 companies

INDIA • SOFTWARE DELIVERY
Offshore engineering team



9 OCT MARKET MOVE
Nifty IT +3.02% ≠ proof of new orders

9 Oct 2026 • Nifty IT closing move: +3.02% • Reported pause concerns green-card processing, not all work visas.

The US reportedly paused a green-card process for 8 companies, including Tata Consultancy Services (~~tcs~~ TCS) and ^{Infosys} Infosys. That sounds like trouble for Indian IT. But on 9 October, the Nifty IT index rose 3.02% by the close.

The key detail was what had stopped: PERM, a step in a company-sponsored green-card application. It wasn't a blanket ban on work visas or software delivered from India. The rally was real; stronger customer demand still has to show up in new deals and revenue.

A shorter visa queue cannot fill an order book.

AI is booming. Who gets *paid*?

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TSMC is selling chips. Firmus still needs funding.



September consolidated sales · IPO withdrawn 9 Oct · Neither company is India-listed. [Read the full analysis →](#)

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company (TSMC) makes advanced chips. On 8 October, it reported September sales of NT\$511.86bn, up 54.6% from a year earlier. That is money from products sold, not quarterly profit or AI-only revenue.

Firmus builds AI data centres. On 9 October, it withdrew its planned US\$5bn Australian stock-market listing, citing market conditions, and turned to private funding. Indian investors looking at the AI boom need to separate businesses selling products today from those still raising money to build capacity.

AI may be one boom. Its businesses are on different clocks.



Which businesses can take the *hit*?



Oil, the rupee and rates: where businesses feel the squeeze.

Repo Rate

5.50%

+25 bps · 7 Oct · RBI MPC

Forex Reserves

\$734.6bn

2 Oct · ~11m import cover · RBI

Indian Crude Basket

\$116.1

Sep avg/bbl · \$90.2 Aug · RBI (PPAC)

Equity Fund Inflows

₹38.3k cr

Sep net inflow · Smallcap ₹9,039 cr

3M Commercial Paper

6.91%

Avg since Aug · T-Bill 5.29% · RBI

Foreign Equity Flows

-₹23.3k cr

1-7 Oct FII · DII +₹24.9k cr · NSE cash

Can prices keep up with costs?

Where energy and imported inputs rise, check gross-margin history, currency hedges and whether a business can pass higher costs to customers without losing volume.

When will borrowing costs reset?

Loan pricing depends on debt terms, credit spreads and maturity schedules, not the repo rate alone. Check floating-rate debt share and refinancing due over the next two quarters.

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Note from the founder

I'm building Invexor for Indian investors and advisors. AI can help us read more, compare better and explore the evidence. But deciding what matters is still a human job.

That is also the standard for this Weekly. Smallcaps and largecaps can tell different stories. An AI agent can change how people deal with businesses. Chip sales and fundraising are different parts of the same boom. The charts, words and art should make those differences clear.

More information isn't the point. Better judgment is.

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