

Nifty signals flat open for Sensex, Nifty; Asia shares slip!!

- Benchmark indices Nifty 50 and Sensex open muted on Monday, May 19, as weak global cues impacted investor sentiment. Strong inflows from foreign institutional investors (FIIs), Moody's downgrade of the US credit rating, and mixed global cues are expected to influence the sentiment of Indian benchmark indices—Nifty50 and Sensex—on Monday, the first trading day of the week.
- On Friday, the 30-share benchmark index ended at 82330.59 down by -200.15 points or by -0.24 % and then NSE Nifty was at 25019.8 down by -42.3 points or by -0.17 %.
- On the global front, Wall Street futures dipped on Monday, the dollar weakened, and U.S. Treasury yields edged higher following Moody's downgrade of the U.S. credit rating, reflecting market concerns over unpredictable economic policies. U.S. equity futures fell 0.7 percent after Moody's lowered the country's credit rating from Aaa to Aa1 on Friday. The dollar index declined 0.3 percent, while Treasuries opened mostly unchanged. Markets in Japan, South Korea, and Australia also began the week on a subdued note. Asian markets traded mostly lower on Monday ahead of key regional economic data. The MSCI Asia-Pacific index excluding Japan slipped 0.2 percent. Japan's Nikkei 225 declined 0.54 percent, while the Topix fell 0.36 percent. South Korea's Kospi dropped 0.47 percent and the Kosdaq shed 0.77 percent. Futures for Hong Kong's Hang Seng also signaled a weak start.
- Back home, Top traded Volumes on NSE Nifty – Bharti Airtel Ltd. 100662047.00, Bharat Electronics Ltd. 68855818.00, Eternal Ltd. 30854384.00, IndusInd Bank Ltd. 27168178.00, Tata Steel Ltd. 22884754.00, On NSE, total number of shares traded was 460.60 Crore and total turnover stood at Rs. 149817.59 Crore. On NSE Future and Options, total number of contracts traded in index futures was 111540 with a total turnover of Rs. 20163.08 Crore. Along with this total number of contracts traded in stock futures were 1523360 with a total turnover of Rs. 94687.66 Crore. Total numbers of contracts for index options were 46815593 with a total turnover of Rs. 8699532.35 Crore. and total numbers of contracts for stock options were 8572587 with a total turnover of Rs. 559289.70 Crore.
- The FIIs on 16/05/2025 stood as net buyer in equity and debt. Gross equity purchased stood at Rs. 21440.45 Crore and gross debt purchased stood at Rs. 117.31 Crore, while the gross equity sold stood at Rs. 15693.92 Crore and gross debt sold stood at Rs. 853.27 Crore. Therefore, the net investment of equity and debt reported were Rs. 5746.53 Crore and Rs. -735.96.

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