

 MONTHLY ROUNDUP — JUNE 2026

# India Business & Finance **Key Developments** — What Every Loan Applicant & Entrepreneur Must Know



RBI holds repo rate, MSME credit surges 21.8%, bank lending rates fall — here is what June 2026's financial landscape means for your loan, business, and investment decisions.

 Repo Rate: 5.25% MSME Credit Growth: 21.8% YoY Home Loans from 7.35% India GDP Outlook: 6.6%

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EDITOR'S NOTE

## Why This Monthly Update Matters for

# You

At **Pragati Saathi Private Limited**, we prepare bank project reports daily — and we know that monetary policy, lending rates, and MSME credit conditions directly impact your loan sanction prospects. A lower repo rate means cheaper bank loans. Rising MSME credit means banks are actively lending. This June 2026 roundup translates macro news into **actionable intelligence for farmers, entrepreneurs, and loan applicants** across Madhya Pradesh and beyond.

**5.25%**

**RBI Repo Rate**

Held steady — June 5, 2026

**21.8%**

**MSME Credit Growth**

YoY as of Nov 2025

**6.6%**

**GDP Forecast FY27**

RBI revised projection

**7.35%**

**Home Loan Rate**

Bank of Maharashtra (from)

**8.30%**

**Highest FD Rate**

Small Finance Banks (Senior Citizens)

**313**

**Billionaires by 2031**

India — 51% growth from 2026

# RBI Holds Repo Rate at 5.25% — What It Means for Your Loan EMI

The Reserve Bank of India's Monetary Policy Committee (MPC), in its meeting from **June 3–5, 2026**, held the repo rate steady at **5.25%** for the second consecutive meeting. The neutral policy stance continues, balancing growth support against rising inflation projections.

Key RBI Rates (Effective June 5, 2026):

Repo Rate: 5.25% | Reverse Repo Rate: 3.35% | Bank Rate / MSF: 5.50% | SDF Rate: 5.00%

While the rate was held, the RBI has **revised its GDP growth forecast for FY2026–27 downward to 6.6%** from an earlier estimate of 6.9%. Inflation is now projected to average 5.1% — higher than the previous estimate of 4.6%, driven by rising LPG, base metal, plastics, and rubber prices. Despite this, **borrowing conditions remain far more affordable than two years ago**, when rates were at 6.50%.

## Impact on Bank Loan Interest Rates

Following earlier rate cuts (the RBI cut rates by a cumulative 100 basis points since February 2025), multiple public sector banks have already passed on the benefits to borrowers:

| Bank    | Loan Type | Revised Rate | Change |
|---------|-----------|--------------|--------|
| Bank of | Home Loan | From         | ↓ 50   |

|                       |                                 |                |                |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Maharashtra           |                                 | 7.35%          | bps            |
| Bank of Maharashtra   | Car Loan                        | From 7.70%     | ↓ 50 bps       |
| Canara Bank           | External Benchmark Lending Rate | Reduced        | ↓ 50 bps       |
| Union Bank of India   | External Benchmark Lending Rate | Reduced        | ↓ 50 bps       |
| Indian Overseas Bank  | EBLR                            | Reduced        | ↓ 50 bps       |
| <b>Bank of Baroda</b> | <b>MCLR (all tenors)</b>        | <b>Reduced</b> | <b>↓ 5 bps</b> |

💡 **Pragati Saathi Insight for Loan Applicants:** If you are planning to apply for a dairy loan, agri-business loan, or any bank-funded scheme like the Kamdhenu Yojana, **now is a good time**. With EBLR (External Benchmark Lending Rate) directly linked to the repo rate, your loan interest is at a multi-year low. This directly lowers your EMI burden and improves the **Debt Service Coverage Ratio (DSCR)** in your project report — making approval easier.

## STORY 2 — MSME CREDIT BOOM

# MSME Credit Grows 21.8% Year-on-

# Year — Banks Are Actively Lending

India's MSME sector is experiencing an unprecedented credit expansion. According to the **Economic Survey 2026**, MSME credit grew by **21.8% year-on-year** (as of November 2025), with micro and small enterprises growing at an even sharper **24.6% YoY** — up from just 10.2% in November 2024.



## 21.8% MSME Credit Growth

Overall MSME lending outpacing large-industry credit — key driver of industrial momentum



## 30% of India's GDP

MSMEs contribute nearly one-third of India's GDP and 45% of total exports



## 240 Million Livelihoods

MSME sector provides employment to 240 million people — India's economic backbone



## Data-Driven Underwriting

Banks now assess GST returns, account aggregators, and digital invoices for faster loan approval

The Government has also launched significant MSME-support measures in 2026. Under the **Export Promotion Mission**, a **2.75% interest subvention** on pre- and post-shipment credit has been announced, along with **collateral guarantee support of up to 85%** through CGTMSE for exporters. The MSME classification investment and turnover limits

have been enhanced to **2.5x and 2x respectively**, allowing more businesses to access MSME-specific benefits.

 **Critical Point for Loan Seekers:** Banks are now increasingly rewarding applicants with clean CIBIL records, regular GST filing, and formal banking relationships. If your project report includes a strong **cash flow projection backed by documented income**, your chances of loan sanction improve significantly in the current lending environment.

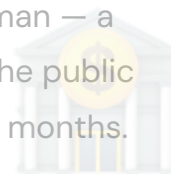
### STORY 3 — BANKING SECTOR

## Public Sector Banks Post Strong Profits — Lending Capacity Grows

India's public sector banks — the primary funders of government-sponsored schemes — reported strong financial results for FY2025-26, signalling robust lending capacity ahead.

-  **Union Bank of India** posted a net profit of ₹5,316 crore for Q4 FY26 — a 6.6% year-on-year increase — with annual net profit rising to ₹18,697 crore, up 4% from FY25. Improved asset quality and lower NPAs supported the results.
-  **IndusInd Bank** reported a net profit of ₹594 crore for Q4 FY26, recovering sharply from a loss of ₹2,329 crore in the same quarter last year, following resolution of earlier accounting discrepancies.

- ▶ **Bank of Baroda** remains one of the fastest-growing major PSBs in terms of asset expansion, with strategic focus on retail and MSME loan disbursements.
- ▶ **Canara Bank** — nodal bank for schemes like Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar Kamdhenu Yojana — cut its EBLR by 50 basis points, directly benefiting dairy and agri-business loan applicants.
- ▶ **IDBI Bank** process remains under active review by **disinvestment** Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman — a development that may reshape the public banking landscape in the coming months.



#### STORY 4 — FIXED DEPOSITS & SAVINGS

## Small Finance Banks Offer Up to 8.30% FD Returns in June 2026

For depositors and conservative investors, Small Finance Banks continue to offer highly competitive Fixed Deposit interest rates — well above large commercial bank rates — making them an attractive option for farmers and entrepreneurs parking surplus funds.

| Bank | Tenure | General Rate | Senior Citizen Rate | Effective From |
|------|--------|--------------|---------------------|----------------|
|      |        |              |                     |                |

|                            |           |       |       |               |
|----------------------------|-----------|-------|-------|---------------|
| Unity Small Finance Bank   | 501 Days  | 7.80% | 8.30% | June 11, 2026 |
| Equitas Small Finance Bank | 888 Days  | 7.75% | 8.25% | June 10, 2026 |
| Unity Small Finance Bank   | 1 Year    | 7.50% | 8.00% | June 11, 2026 |
| AU Small Finance Bank      | 30 Months | 7.40% | 7.90% | June 2026     |

⚠️ **Small Finance Banks are RBI-regulated and DICGC-insured up to ₹5 Lakh per depositor**

💡 **Pragati Saathi Savings Advice:** If you are an entrepreneur building your **15% margin money** for a dairy or business loan, consider parking your savings in a Small Finance Bank FD at 7.5–7.8% to earn a safe return while your application is in process. Ensure deposits are DICGC-insured within the ₹5 lakh limit per institution.

## STORY 5 — BIG PICTURE INDIA

# India's Growth Story: Billionaires, Renewables & the GST 2.0 Era

## **India's Billionaire Count to Rise 51% by 2031**

India's billionaire population is projected to grow from 207 in 2026 to 313 by 2031 — a 51% surge, outpacing China and the US — driven by rapid wealth creation in technology, industry, and capital markets. (Knight Frank Report)

### **RENEWABLE ENERGY**

## **India Becomes World's No. 2 Wind Power Market**

India commissioned a record 6.3 GW of wind capacity in 2025 — an 85% jump year-on-year — making it the world's second-largest wind power market outside China. Key players: Adani Green, Suzlon, and Inox Wind. (Bloomberg NEF)

### **TAX REFORM**

## **New Income Tax Law & GST 2.0 Takes Shape**

A new, simplified Income Tax law has been implemented, reducing compliance burden for small businesses. Plans for "GST 2.0" aim to further streamline indirect taxes and customs duties — a significant positive for MSMEs and traders.

### **STOCK MARKET**

## **Top Stock Picks for June 2026**

YES Securities has recommended Entero Healthcare, Maruti Suzuki, and Lupin as top picks for June 2026, citing 20–21% upside potential. Maruti benefits from the EV growth wave; Lupin shines in complex pharma exports. (Livemint)

**India's GDP Revised:** The RBI has lowered its GDP growth forecast for

FY2026–27 to **6.6%** (from 6.9%), citing global headwinds, higher commodity prices, and a challenging interest rate environment globally. However, India continues to be the **fastest-growing major economy in the world**, making it a strong environment for business and entrepreneurship.

#### PRAGATI SAATHI SUMMARY

## What This Means — Key Takeaways for Loan Applicants & Entrepreneurs

Here is how June 2026's financial news directly impacts your loan planning, project reports, and business decisions:

- ✓ **Repo Rate at 5.25%:** Loan interest rates (EBLR/RLLR) are at a multi-year low — ideal time to apply for bank loans for dairy, agri-business, or MSME ventures. Your EMIs will be more manageable, improving DSCR in your project report.
- ✓ **PSB Lending Rates Falling:** Canara Bank, Union Bank, and Bank of Maharashtra have cut rates. For scheme loans like Kamdhenu Yojana, this means lower actual interest cost over the loan tenure.

- ✓ **MSME Credit Booming:** Banks are actively disbursing MSME loans. A clean CIBIL record, formal banking, and a well-prepared project report are your biggest assets right now.
- ✓ **Strong FD Returns Available:** If building margin money (15% own contribution), park savings in Small Finance Bank FDs at 7.5–8.3% for safe, guaranteed returns.
- ✓ **Farmer Welfare Year 2026:** Government of MP has declared 2026 the "Farmer Welfare Year" — scheme budgets are actively disbursed. Apply early for best results.
- ✓ **GST 2.0 & Tax Simplification:** New income tax laws and simplified GST create a more business-friendly environment. Maintain proper books and GST records to strengthen your credit profile with banks.

#### HOW WE CAN HELP

## Need a Bank-Ready Project Report?

At **Pragati Saathi Private Limited**, we specialise in preparing **professionally structured project reports** for all nationalised bank loans — dairy schemes, MSME loans, agri-business, and more. Our reports

include:



### Technical Feasibility Report

Shed layout, breed selection, feed plan, water management — fully aligned to bank norms



### 5-Year Financial Projections

Income & expenditure, cash flows, DSCR, repayment schedule as bankers require



### Subsidy & Margin Calculation

Accurate subsidy workings (SC/ST vs General), margin money, net loan burden



### Document Checklist Support

Guidance on every document — land records, Aadhaar, training certificate, bank passbook

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