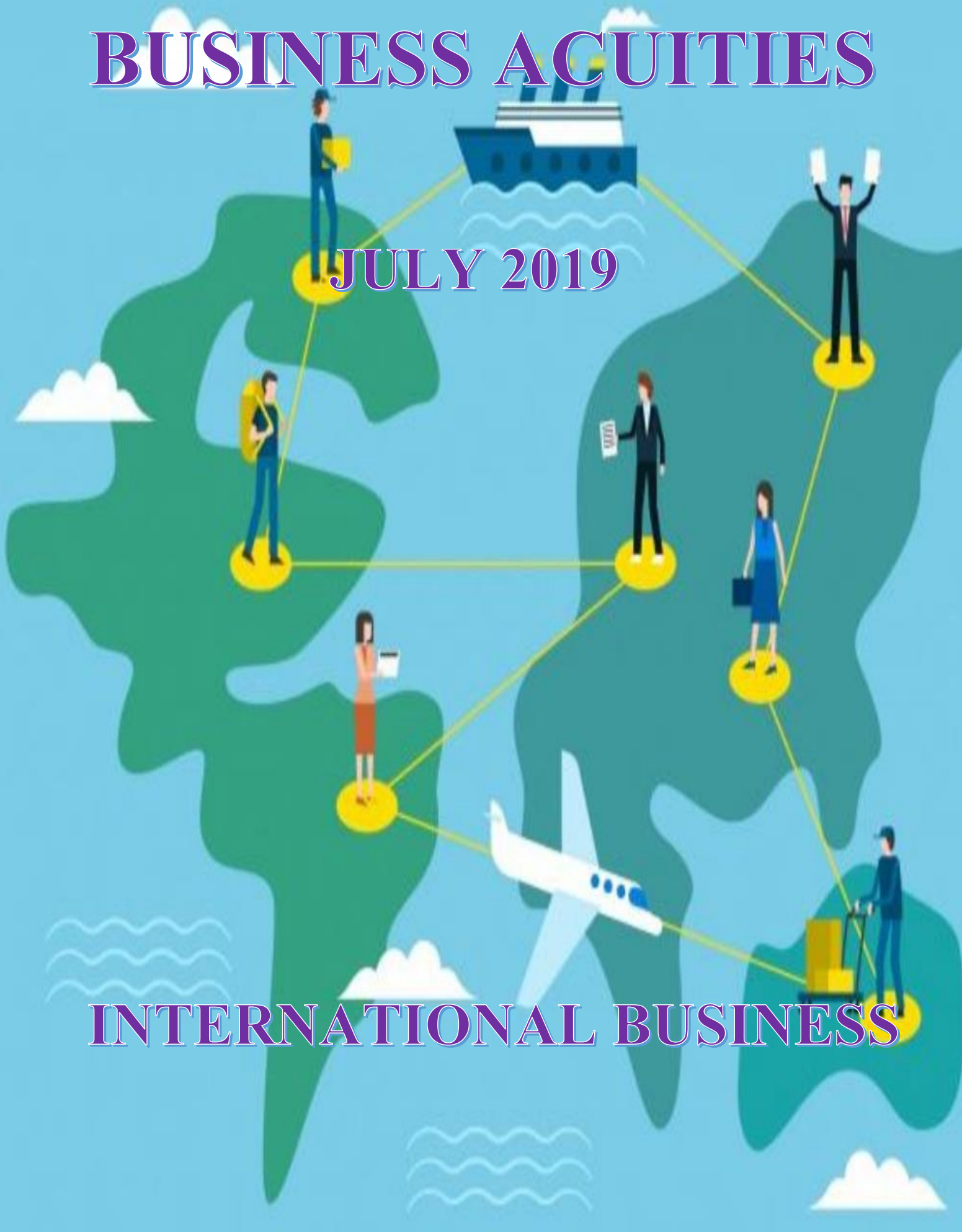


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DOMESTIC NEWS

Goods and Services Tax (GST): The implementation of the Goods and Services Tax, a comprehensive indirect tax reform, was still relatively new, having been introduced on July 1, 2017. The industrial sector was adjusting to the new tax regime, streamlining operations, and adapting to the changes.



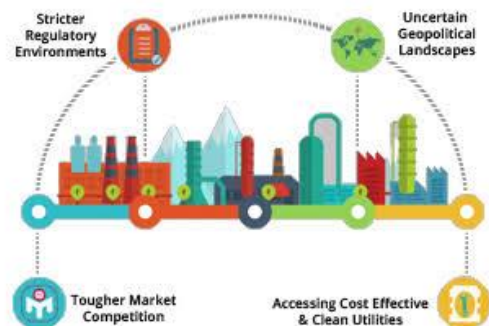
Manufacturing Sector: India's manufacturing sector was a focus area for the government's "Make in India" initiative. Efforts were being made to boost domestic manufacturing, attract foreign direct investment (FDI), and improve the ease of doing business. Several sectors such as automobiles, electronics, textiles, and pharmaceuticals were witnessing growth and investments.

Infrastructure Development: The Indian government was actively promoting infrastructure development through initiatives like Bharatmala, Sagarmala, and Smart Cities Mission. These initiatives aimed to enhance transportation

networks, build new roads and highways, modernize ports, and develop smart cities, which created opportunities for the industrial sector.

Renewable Energy: India was making significant strides in renewable energy, particularly in the solar and wind sectors. The country had set ambitious targets to increase its renewable energy capacity, and several projects were being implemented. The industrial sector was actively involved in the manufacturing and installation of renewable energy equipment.

Challenges: The industrial sector in India faced challenges such as issues related to land acquisition, complex regulatory procedures, lack of skilled labor, and infrastructure bottlenecks. These challenges were being addressed by the government through policy reforms and initiatives to improve the ease of doing business.



SHARE MARKET

Trade tensions: Trade tensions between the United States and China were a significant focus for investors globally. Any developments or announcements related to trade negotiations between the two countries could have impacted the stock markets.



Economic indicators: Key economic indicators, such as GDP growth, inflation rates, and employment data, both globally and in India, could have influenced market sentiment and investor confidence.

Corporate earnings: The release of quarterly earnings reports by companies could have affected individual stock prices and overall market sentiment. Investors closely watch earnings announcements for insights into a company's financial performance and future prospects.



Monetary policy: Actions and statements by central banks, such as the U.S. Federal Reserve and the Reserve Bank of India, regarding interest rates and monetary policy decisions, could have impacted the stock markets.

Geopolitical events: Geopolitical events, such as political developments, elections, or global conflicts, can create uncertainty and volatility in the stock markets. Any significant geopolitical news during July 2019 could have influenced investor sentiment.



To access specific stock market news from July 2019, I recommend referring to financial news websites, newspapers, or market analysis reports from that period. These sources will provide you with detailed and accurate information about the stock market activities and

news during July 2019.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Chandrayaan-2 Mission: The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) launched the Chandrayaan-2 mission on July 22, 2019. It aimed to land a rover on the Moon's surface, making India the fourth country to achieve a soft landing on the lunar surface. Although the mission faced a setback with the loss of communication during the landing attempt, it was still a significant milestone in India's space exploration efforts



FaceApp Viral Trend: FaceApp, a mobile application that uses artificial intelligence to alter facial features and age people's photos, went viral in July 2019. Many people participated in the trend, using the app to see how they might look in the future. However, concerns were raised regarding privacy and data security, prompting discussions about the implications of AI-powered applications.

Climate Change Research: July 2019 witnessed various climate change-related news. A heatwave struck

Europe, resulting in record-breaking temperatures and triggering discussions about the urgency of climate action. Scientists also highlighted the accelerated melting of ice in Greenland and Antarctica, emphasizing the need for immediate measures to address climate change.

Advances in Gene Editing: In July 2019, researchers made significant advancements in gene editing technology. Scientists successfully used CRISPR-Cas9, a gene-editing tool, to treat genetic disorders in human embryos. This breakthrough raised both excitement and ethical concerns surrounding the potential applications and implications of gene editing.



Electric Vehicles and Renewable Energy: The adoption of electric vehicles (EVs) and advancements in renewable energy technologies continued to make headlines in July 2019. Several countries and companies announced plans to accelerate the transition to electric vehicles and invest in renewable energy infrastructure, contributing to the global efforts to reduce carbon emissions.

Robotics and AI Developments: July 2019 saw advancements in robotics and artificial intelligence.



Researchers developed innovative robots for various applications, such as healthcare, manufacturing, and agriculture. Additionally, AI-driven technologies were being deployed in different sectors, including finance, healthcare, and customer service.

Please note that the above highlights are not an exhaustive list, and there may have been other significant science and technology news events in July 2019. For more detailed information on specific topics, I recommend referring to reliable news sources or archives from that time.

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS

Boeing's 737 MAX Crisis: July 2019 marked a significant period in the ongoing crisis surrounding Boeing's 737 MAX aircraft. The 737 MAX had been grounded worldwide since March 2019 following two fatal crashes. During this time, investigations were underway to determine the causes of the accidents, and Boeing was working

on fixes to address the issues with the aircraft's software.



Automotive Industry Developments: The automotive industry faced challenges and changes in July 2019. Electric vehicles (EVs) gained further prominence as major automakers announced new EV models and investment plans in electric mobility. Additionally, the industry faced concerns about declining sales in some markets and the impact of trade tensions on global automotive supply chains.

Green Energy Transition: The push for renewable energy and sustainability continued in July 2019. Many countries and companies made commitments to reduce carbon emissions and increase the share of renewable energy sources in their energy mix. Investments in wind and solar energy projects were on the rise, contributing to the global transition towards cleaner energy systems.

Tech Industry and Innovation: The technology industry continued to witness advancements and innovation in July 2019.

Developments in artificial intelligence, 5G technology, and Internet of Things (IoT) applications were prominent. Companies were exploring new ways to leverage these technologies in various sectors, such as healthcare, manufacturing, and smart cities.

Aerospace and Space Exploration:
July 2019 saw notable advancements in aerospace and space exploration. Besides the aforementioned Boeing 737 MAX crisis, there were developments in the commercial space industry, with companies like SpaceX and Blue Origin conducting tests and launching satellites. Efforts to explore Mars and the Moon also garnered attention.



These are just a few highlights of international industrial news in July 2019. Please note that the list is not exhaustive, and there may have been other significant events and developments during that period. For more detailed and specific information, I recommend referring to reliable news sources or archives from that time.