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#### **Section 1: Regulatory and Policy Developments**

In the past month, India's fintech and digital lending sectors have experienced significant regulatory advancements:

→ RBI issues directions on Due Diligence of Aadhaar Enabled Payment System (AePS) Touchpoint Operators The draft directions introduced the concept of AePS Touchpoint Operator (ATO) & aimed at streamlining the process for onboarding of ATOs by acquiring banks.

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→ RBI Bulletin – June 2025 The Bulletin includes bi-monthly monetary policy statement, two speeches, five articles and current statistics.

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Review of Priority Sector Lending norms - Small Finance Banks
RBI issued the notification for Review of Priority Sector Lending
norms - Small Finance Banks.

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→ RBI Issues the Reserve Bank of India (Project Finance) Directions, 2025 The draft guidelines proposed an enabling framework for the regulated entities (REs) for financing project loans, while addressing the underlying risks.

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→ Reserve Bank of India (Know Your Customer (KYC)) (Amendment) Directions, 2025 RBI had issued Reserve Bank of India (Know Your Customer (KYC)) Directions, 2016 in compliance of the provisions of the PML Act, 2002 and the Rules made there under.

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→ RBI Governor's Statement: June 6, 2025 RBI Governor's Statement for the 55th meeting of the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) held in the start of the monsoon season.

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→ RBI Monetary Policy Statement, 2025-26 Resolution of the MPC June 4 to 6, 2025 The MPC voted to reduce the policy reportate by 50 basis points (bps) to 5.50 per cent with immediate effect.

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#### Section 2: Investments in Fintech and Digital Lending

→ Telangana govt bags ₹2,150 cr investment in biotech, tech, fintech sectors The investment is expected to promote innovation and growth, further positioning Telangana as a global hub for emerging industries.

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#### Section 3: UFF Members' News

Mobikwik and Navi were voted the best "Emerging TPAP App" at Digital Payments Awards 2025 by the Ministry of Finance
The award was presented to their teams by the Hon'ble Finance Minister of India, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman.

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→ UGRO Capital to acquire Profectus Capital in Rs 1,400-crore all-cash deal to boost MSME lending The acquisition, said to be value accretive from Day 1 of consolidation was made through a share-purchase agreement with global private equity investors Actis PC Investment and Actis PC.

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→ Flexiloans raises ₹375 crore in Series C funding led by BII, others
With total funds raised at ₹665 crore over six months, Flexiloans will
scale operations, boost technology and expand reach across India's
underserved MSME sector.

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Fintech startup Decentro raises Rs 30 cr in series B round led by InfoEdge Ventures, others The firm raised Rs 30 crore in a series B round led by InfoEdge Ventures, with participation from Stargazer Growth and existing investors, including Uncorrelated Ventures.

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CRED raises \$72 Mn from Lathe, Kunal Shah's QED & others Fintech unicorn CRED has received Rs 617 crore (\$72 million) from multiple investors, including Lathe Investment, RTP Global, Sofina Ventures, & QED Innovation Labs, the family office of founder Kunal Shah.

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→ Fintech Slice set to launch Rupay credit card months after merger with NESFB The Bengaluru-based firm will issue credit cards under the Slice brand and has decided to go with the domestic card network Rupay.

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#### Section 4: India FinTech News

Flipkart secures NBFC license from RBI-becomes first Indian e-comm player to offer direct lending This is the first time the RBI has granted a large e-commerce player in India a non-bank finance company (NBFC) licence, allowing it to lend but not take deposits.

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➡ Explainer: How India emerged as one of the most dynamic fintech markets in the world From UPI to Aadhaar, major lift in digital public infrastructure led to India becoming an attractive destination for financial technology startups and businesses.

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→ Indians Are Switching to App-Based Credit Cards; Here's Why You Should Too! Smartphones & demanding quick & personal credit services have made digital-first credit a real breakthrough for many people.

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#### **Section 5: Global Fintech News**

→ Fintech's Next Chapter Scaled Winners and Emerging Disruptors by BCG and QED Fintech revenues rose 21% year-on-year, outperforming the broader financial services sector, which grew just 6%.

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### **Section 6: Events/Upcoming Events**

→ UFF partnered with CII for Financial Inclusion and Fintech Summit - 7 July 2025, New Delhi The event will have representation from banks, NBFCs, Fintechs, MFIs, Small Finance Banks, Payment Banks, Cooperative Banks, Insurance, etc.

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→ UFF partnered with SYNC for SYNC MUMBAI - 12 August 2025, Mumbai The event will have representation from banks, NBFCs, Fintechs, Investors & VCs, Government Agencies, Consultancies, etc.

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