



ECONOMIC INDICATORS

5.6 **Q2 2015 Gross Domestic Product**

0.40 **September 2015 Inflation Rate**

- 11.6 **Q3 2015 Consumer Confidence**

20.0 **Q3 2015 Auto-buying Intention**

45.87 **Daily Peso – Dollar Exchange Rate**

MACROECONOMIC SNAPSHOT

APEC Ministers Approve Transportation Road Map

Transportation officials of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) bloc have approved a two-year road map to address the needs of the sector, estimating the infrastructure investment requirement for the region at about \$1 trillion worth of infrastructure investments.



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Investment Pledges Plunge In First Half

Investment pledges registered by the Board of Investments (BOI) and the Philippine Economic Zone Authority (Peza), the country's two largest investment promotion agencies, plunged in the first half of 2015.



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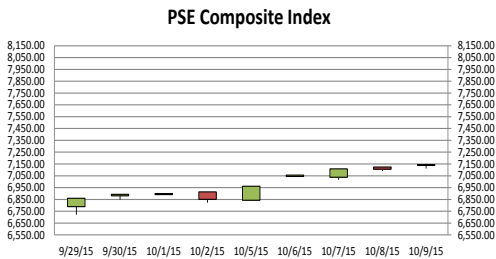
FINANCIAL TRENDS

DBP Aims To Increase Lending To MSMEs By 30%

The Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) aims to grow its loans to micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) by 30% next year as it ramps up its business in a bid to better serve the sector.



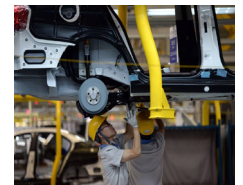
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INDUSTRY NEWS

MVDP Is Still Open To Other Auto Firms

Automotive manufacturers have the option to register with the Motor Vehicle Development Program to obtain fiscal incentives that will not be granted under the newly-drafted rules of the Comprehensive Automotive Resurgence Strategy program.



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GLOBAL WATCHLIST



Here's Why The World Will See More Trade Deals

Amid a slowdown in global growth, countries will explore alternative ways to stimulate growth such as trade agreements, says David Gaud, senior portfolio manager at Edmond de Rothschild Asset Management.

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INTERNATIONAL

Ford GT To Get Carbon Fiber Wheels

The Ford Shelby Mustang GT350R perhaps won't be the only model in the Blue Oval's lineup to ride on a set of carbon fiber wheels from Australian outfit Carbon Revolution. According to Cars Guide from Down Under, the Ford GT will be getting the lightweight rollers, too.



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