

Nifty Next 50 index

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The **National Stock Exchange (NSE)** has announced the introduction of derivative contracts on the **Nifty Next 50 index**, set to commence from 24th April 2024.

- The Nifty Next 50 Index represents 50 companies from Nifty 100, excluding the Nifty 50 companies.
 - NSE has received approval from the <u>Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)</u> for these derivative contracts.
- The exchange will provide three serial monthly index futures and index options contract cycles.
 - Contracts will be cash-settled and expire on the last Friday of the expiry month.
- Derivatives in the market refer to financial contracts between two or more parties and derive their value from an underlying asset or benchmark.
 - There are two main types of derivatives:
 - **Futures**, which involve a binding agreement to buy or sell the underlying security on a future date.
 - **Options,** which give the holder the right (but not the obligation) to buy or sell the underlying asset at a predetermined price within a specified period.
- The NSE is one of the two main stock exchanges in India, with the other being the <u>Bombay Stock</u> <u>Exchange (BSE)</u>. It was the first exchange in India to provide modern, fully automated electronic trading.
 - NSE emerged as the world's largest derivatives exchange in 2023, in terms of the number of contracts traded, according to the Futures Industry Association (FIA).

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