

THIS IS THE LOWEST LEVEL IN SIX MONTHS

China's factory activity decline deepens in Dec

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CHINA'S FACTORY ACTIVITY shrank in December to the lowest level in six months, fuelling expectations the government may have to act soon to add impetus to the economy.

The official manufacturing purchasing managers index (PMI) declined to 49, the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) said in a statement on Sunday. That was weaker than the median forecast of 49.6 by economists in a Bloomberg survey, and matched the reading seen in June.

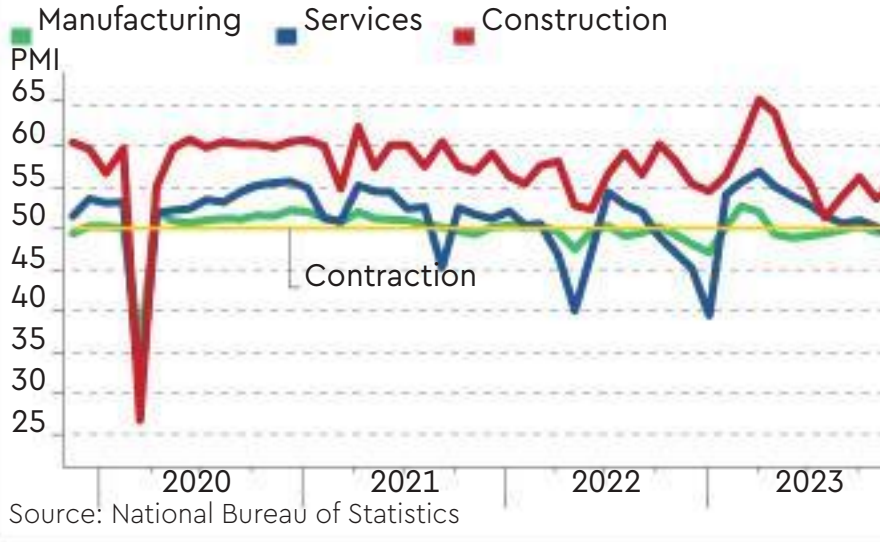
A gauge of non-manufacturing activity rose to 50.4 from 50.2 in November, boosted by expansion in the construction sector as government-led infrastructure investment accelerated in recent months. Services activity, however, remained in contraction with an underlying measure staying at 49.3.

Any reading above the 50 mark suggests an expansion from the previous month, while a figure below that denotes contraction.

The PMI figures provided more signs of weakness in China's economic recovery in the final months of the year. They are also likely to add pressure on fiscal and monetary

FACTORY ACTIVITY IN LAST SIX MONTHS

Services sector shrinks for the second straight month amid cold weather



Xi pledges to strengthen economic recovery

PRESIDENT XI JINPING said on Sunday that China will consolidate and enhance the positive trend of its economic recovery in 2024, and sustain long-term economic development with deeper reforms.

In a televised speech to mark the New Year, Xi said China would deepen reforms to shore up confidence in the economy. Xi said China will

urgently, after leaders vowed to maintain a pro-growth stance in 2024.

"The weaker-than-expected PMI data showed growth momentum has declined further amid a low season and the cold weather," said Xing Zhao, a senior strategist at Australia & New Zealand Banking Group.

"We can't rule out the possibility that the central bank

"consolidate and enhance the positive trend of economic recovery, and achieve stable and long-term economic development," Xi said. "We must comprehensively deepen reform and opening up, further boost confidence in development, enhance economic vitality, and make greater efforts to promote education."

may cut rates in early January," he said.

NBS analyst Zhao Qinghe said in a separate statement that "falling overseas orders coupled with insufficient effective domestic demand" was the biggest trouble reported by some companies in the official PMI survey.

The textile and non-metal mineral product sectors were unable to make use of their full capacity due to subdued

Maersk pauses sailings through Red Sea again

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HOUTHI SCARE

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IRANIAN-BACKED HOUTHI MILITANTS attacked a Maersk container vessel with missiles and small boats, prompting the company to pause all sailing through the Red Sea for 48 hours, Maersk said on Sunday.

The crew of the Maersk Hangzhou crew was safe and there was no indication of fire onboard the vessel, which was fully manoeuvrable and continued its journey north to Port Suez, Maersk said.

The attack was the latest by Houthi militants in Yemen, who have been targeting vessels in the Red Sea to show their support for Palestinian Islamist group Hamas fighting Israel in Gaza. The attacks have disrupted world trade, with major shipping companies taking the longer and costlier route around the Africa's Cape of Good Hope rather than through the Suez Canal.

The Red Sea is the entry point for ships using the Suez Canal, which handles about 12% of global trade and vital for the movement of goods between Asia and Europe.

The United States launched Operation Prosperity Guardian on December 19, saying more than 20 countries had agreed to participate in the efforts to safeguard ships in Red Sea waters near Yemen. In response, Maersk

said on December 24 it would resume sailings through the Red Sea. However, attacks have continued and US allies have proven reluctant to commit to the coalition, with nearly half not declaring their presence publicly.

Maersk, one of the world's major cargo shippers, said on Sunday it would delay all transits through the area for 48 hours, after the Maersk Hangzhou was struck by a missile at around 1730 GMT on Saturday 55 nautical miles southwest of Al Hodeidah, Yemen.

North Korea to launch new satellites

NORTH KOREA VOWED to launch three new spy satellites, build military drones, and boost its nuclear arsenal in 2024 as leader Kim Jong Un said U.S. policy is making war inevitable, state media reported on Sunday.

Kim lashed out at Washington in lengthy remarks wrapping up five days of ruling party meetings that set economic, military and foreign policy goals for the coming year.

"Because of reckless moves by the enemies to invade us, it is a fait accompli that a war can break out at any time on the Korean peninsula," he

said, according to state news agency KCNA.

He ordered the military to prepare to "pacify the entire territory of South Korea," including with nuclear bombs if necessary, in response to any attack.

Kim's speech comes ahead of a year that will see pivotal elections in both South Korea and the United States.

Experts predict North Korea will maintain a campaign of military pressure for leverage around the U.S. presidential elections in November, which could see the return of former President Donald

Trump, who traded in both threats and historic diplomacy with Kim.

"Pyongyang might be waiting out the US presidential election to see what its provocations can buy it with the next administration," said Leif-Eric Easley, professor of international studies at Ewha Womans University in Seoul.

President Joe Biden's administration says it is open to talks, but it imposed new sanctions as North Korea pushed ahead with more missile tests banned under United Nations' sanctions.

demand, Zhao added.

Weak demand and sluggish confidence has also been reflected in deepening consumer price deflation and shrinking imports.

The worst property downturn in modern China is expected to persist, which will further curb demand for goods from furniture to home appliances.

A sub-index for factories' new orders fell to 48.7 as demand weakened, while a gauge measuring new export orders contracted to 45.8.

For non-manufacturing sectors, a gauge of construction activity climbed to 56.9 from 55 in November, according to the NBS.

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NEW YEAR'S EVE BASH



Fireworks are seen over the Sydney Opera House and Harbour Bridge during New Year's Eve celebrations in Sydney, on Sunday.

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Secretary

Infinity Fincorp Solutions Private Limited
Registered Office at: A-507, Level 5 of the building A, 215-Atrium, 151, Andheri Kurla Road, Chakala Andheri (East) Mumbai - 400093
Securitisation Notice under S. 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002
Infinity Fincorp Solutions Private Limited (hereinafter referred to as "IFSP") acting through Authorized Officer, hereby serve subject notice as hereunder Infinity Fincorp Solutions Private Limited, had advanced the Loan facility on request and representation made by the following customers for an amount more particularly mentioned hereunder and as per the terms of the agreement the property against which the loan were availed were secured by way of equitable mortgage

Name of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Guarantor, Loan Account No & NPA Date	Description of property	Date and Amount of Demand Notice 13(2)
1.Anuradha Yogesh Mhaske At- S No.180, Laxmi Kamal Park, Flat No.38, Pune, Sangola Solapur-413308, Maharashtra. Also At :- 38, Laxmi Kamal Park, Saswad Road, Hadapsar, Pune, Maharashtra-412308. 2.Yogesh Baburao Mhaske At- S No.180, Laxmi Kamal Park Flat No.38, Pune, Sangola, Solapur-412308, Maharashtra. Also At :- 38, Laxmi Kamal Park, Sr.No.180, Behind Power House, Fursungi, Pune, Maharashtra-412308. Loan Account No: INPUNLR0001897 NPA Date: 10/01/2023	All that piece and parcel of the Flat No.38 , situated on Fourth Floor, known as Laxmi Kamal Park PHASE-1 constructed at CTS No.180 (Old S. No.152) Hissa No.16 A, Fursungi, Pune admeasuring about 31.22 Sq.Mts ie 336 Sq.Fts. within the municipal corporation of Pune belonging to Anuradha Yogesh Mhaske. Boundaries as:- On or Towards North- By property of Mr. Eknath Harpale, On or Towards South- By Property of M/s Nirmiti Enterprises, On or Towards East- By remaining Property, On or Towards West- By property of M/s Nirmiti Enterprises	21/12/2023 Rs. 20,01,000/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs One Thousand Only) with future interest thereon as per agreement from 20/12/2023 till date of repayment of the dues in full.

As per the terms and conditions of the agreement, you the above-mentioned Borrowers were required to keep the loan account regularised by payment of the equated monthly instalments as and when the same became due. However, the operation and the conduct of the accounts in respect of the above-mentioned loan facility have become irregular and thus Infinity Fincorp Solutions Private Limited, was constrained to classify your account as NPA as per RBI procedure.

Now IFSP calls upon you under the powers conferred in terms of Sec 13(2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 to repay the total amount outstanding/s within a period of 60 days from the date hereof together with interest thereon and other costs involved in the transactions. On your failure, IFSP shall be constrained to take recourse of relevant of the provisions of the said Act, against all or any one or more of the secured assets, entirely at your risk as to costs and consequences thereof.

In terms of the provisions of S. 13 (13) of the said act, you are hereby prohibited from transferring, either by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of your business), any of the secured assets as referred to in this notice without prior consent our client.

The Notice sent through RPAD were not served, hence the copy of the same is affixed to his house and published in the paper.

Date: 21/12/2023
Place: Pune
For Infinity Fincorp Solutions Private Limited,
A/o:- (Kamleshkumar Shah)

Corporate Office: ICICI Home Finance Company Limited ICICI HFC Tower, Andheri - Kurla Road, Andheri (East), Mumbai - 400059, India
Branch Office: 1st floor, Office No. 23, 24, 25, Satar City Business Center, S No 283/1, A, Final Plot No.-29, Sub Plot No.-1, Radika Road, Karanje Tarf Satar - 415002
[See proviso to rule 8(6)]
Notice for sale of immovable assets
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Symbolic Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of ICICI Home Finance Company Ltd., will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is", as per the brief particulars given hereunder:

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower (s)/ Co Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Legal Heirs. Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outstanding	Reserve Price Earnest Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of Auction
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
1.	Vishnu Maruti Koli (Borrower) Minal Vishnu Koli (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LHSRA00001266082	Flat No.404, 4th Floor, A Wing, Guru Pushp Apartment, Plot No.44 To 47, Survey No.194/1A/1 Kondhve Medha Road, Satar - Maharashtra- 415002	Rs. 16,22,794/- December 15, 2023	Rs.12,05,685/- Rs. 1,20,570/-	January 08, 2024 11:00 AM- 03:00 PM	January 19, 2024 02:00 PM- 03:00 PM
2.	Sanjay Kondiba Salunkhe (Borrower) Vidya Sanjay Salunkhe (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LHSRA00001267982 & NHSRA00001267984	Flat No Fo 4, Sawkar Complex 4th Floor Cts No.54A Cimanpura Peth Satar, Maharashtra, Satar - 415002	Rs. 12,30,724/- December 15, 2023	Rs. 8,54,024/- Rs. 85,410/-	January 08, 2024 11:00 AM- 03:00 PM	January 19, 2024 02:00 PM- 03:00 PM
3.	Amit Ashok Kadam (Borrower) Mangala Ashok Kadam (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LHSRA00001295908	Flat No F 3 Nilam Complex First Floor Mangalwar Peth Satar Tal and Dist Satar Near Samratha Mandir C S No. 413/A/1 Satar - 415002	Rs. 21,66,714/- December 15, 2023	Rs.16,78,950/- Rs. 1,67,900/-	January 08, 2024 11:00 AM- 03:00 PM	January 19, 2024 02:00 PM- 03:00 PM
4.	Rupali Shinde (Borrower) Bharat Shinde (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LHSRA00001362745 & LHSRA00001362746	Shivsai Apartment Shop No L G 10 Ground Floor Pratapganj Peth Satar Tal And Dist Satar Opp Radhika Theatre C S No 167 Satar Maharashtra - 415002	Rs. 18,85,285/- December 15, 2023	Rs.16,55,950/- Rs. 1,65,520/-	January 08, 2024 11:00 AM- 03:00 PM	January 19, 2024 02:00 PM- 03:00 PM
5.	Sandeep Mahadev Dighe (Borrower) Vaishali Sandeep Dighe (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LHPUN00001321532	Plot No.7 and 8 Gat No.153/1 Manorath Nagari Mouje Khed Bk Tal Khandala Dist Satar Maharashtra - 415002	Rs. 46,17,740/- December 15, 2023	Rs.15,79,500/- Rs. 1,57,950/-	January 08, 2024 11:00 AM- 03:00 PM	January 19, 2024 02:00 PM- 03:00 PM

The online auction will be conducted on website (**URL Link- <https://BestAuctionDeal.com>**) of our auction agency **Globe Tech**. The Mortgagors/ notice are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest till **January 18, 2024 before 05:00 PM** else these secured assets will be sold as per above schedule. The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) RTGS/ Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at **ICICI Home Finance Company Limited, 1st floor, Office No. 23, 24, 25, Satar City Business Center, S No.283/1, A, Final Plot No.-29, Sub Plot No.-1, Radika Road, Karanje Tarf Satar - 415002** on or before **January 18, 2024 before 04:00 PM**. The Prospective Bidder(s) must also submit signed copy of Registration Form & Bid Terms and Conditions form at **ICICI Home Finance Company Limited, 1st floor, Office No. 23, 24, 25, Satar City Business Center, S No.283/1, A, Final Plot No.-29, Sub Plot No.-1, Radika Road, Karanje Tarf Satar - 415002** on or before **January 18, 2024 before 05:00 PM**. Earnest Money Deposit Demand Draft (DD) should be from a Nationalized/ Scheduled Bank in favorof **"ICICI Home Finance Company Ltd.- Auction"** payable at **Satar**. For any further clarifications with regards to inspection, terms and conditions of the auction or submission of tenders, kindly contact **ICICI Home Finance Company Limited on 9920807300** or our Sales & Marketing Partner **NexXen Solutions Private Limited**. The Authorized Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please visit **<https://www.icicifhc.com/>**
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