

# US Data Center Daily Briefing

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## KEY THEMES

- Starwood SOF XIII \$10.2B final close names data centers in asset mix
- Echelon Data Centres 50% stake funded through Fund XII and SREIT, not SOF XIII
- Starwood Digital Ventures 1.5 GW pipeline built on ~\$8B across multiple vehicles
- India met record 256.1 GW peak April 2026, softening data-center power scarcity case

## Starwood's \$10.2B SOF XIII names data centers – the Echelon platform sits in Fund XII

Starwood Capital said on July 1, 2026 that it closed its latest opportunistic real estate fund, Starwood Distressed Opportunity Fund XIII, with [capital commitments in excess of \\$10.2 billion](#). The firm named data centers among the fund's targeted asset classes and said it has [already closed or committed to 20 transactions, committing more than \\$3 billion of equity](#). The release describes an initial portfolio with data-center investments spanning the United States, Europe and Asia. The clearest named data-center platform in Starwood's public record, Echelon Data Centres, is funded through earlier vehicles – Starwood Opportunity Fund XII and Starwood Real Estate Income Trust.

- [Starwood closes SOF XIII at \\$10.2B, names data centers in target mix](#) – Starwood Capital reports 20 transactions closed or committed and more than \$3 billion of equity deployed as of the July 1, 2026 final close.
- [Starwood Digital Ventures anchors a 1.5 GW pipeline](#) – the January 2024 launch release put Starwood's data-center commitments at ~\$8 billion across 1.5 GW, drawing on “various Starwood Investment Vehicles.”
- [Echelon Data Centres stake sits in Fund XII and SREIT](#) – Starwood committed ~\$850 million for a 50% stake in the European platform in February 2024, alongside a €900 million Morgan Stanley/UOB debt facility.
- [India met a record 256.1 GW peak on April 25, 2026 without shortage](#) – the Ministry of Power said it expects to meet demand of around 270 GW over the year, softening the “India power scarcity” case for data centers.
- [RDSS smart-meter rollout: 3.90 crore installed as of Dec 31, 2025](#) – against 19.79 crore sanctioned, with AT&C losses improved from 21.91% in FY2021 to 15.04% in FY2025.

- [CEA transmission plan targets 900+ GW non-fossil integration by 2035-36](#) – the planning document frames a large grid buildout underpinning India’s forward demand projections.

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