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Macro:**Govt launches 'Moheshkhali Integrated Development Authority'**

- The government has brought the "Moheshkhali Integrated Development Authority (MIDA) Ordinance, 2025" into effect, marking the start of a new chapter in Moheshkhali Island's planned transformation into a major energy and industrial hub.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/govt-launches-moheshkhali-integrated-development-authority-3959236>

Revenue reform, tax digitisation, trade-clearance systems start paying

- Three major steps on digitisation of the tax administration in last one year of the interim government has already started paying off through faster trade documentation and leak-plugged tax mobilisation, officials claim. The digitising of revenue system has been minimizing the hassles in tax payment and expediting the release of goods from customs points.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/revenue-reform-tax-digitisation-trade-clearance-systems-start-paying-1754758243>

Sector & Industries:**BANK | BB allows loan rescheduling for 250 firms up to 15 years**

- The central bank has approved a mega loan rescheduling facility for some 250 companies, including some of the country's biggest corporate defaulters, in an attempt to boost business activity amid slowing economic growth. The Bangladesh Bank (BB) will allow these firms to extend loan repayment over 5 to 15 years, with down payments as low as 1% and grace periods of up to 3 years, officials familiar with the matter told The Daily Star, adding that the terms will, however, vary case by case.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bb-allows-loan-rescheduling-250-firms-15-years-3959231>

TEXTILES | US tariff hike no big blow to non-leather footwear exports

- Emerging export item non-leather footwear remains largely unscathed after the US tariff storm, thanks to Bangladesh's limited exposure to the American market and a stronger competitive position than some peers.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/us-tariff-hike-no-big-blow-non-leather-footwear-exports-3959246>

TEXTILES | Garment exports drop 12% in Q4

- Bangladesh's garment exports fell 11.92% from the previous quarter to USD 9.11 Bn in the April–June period of the current fiscal year, according to the latest quarterly data from the central bank. Still, the figure was 3.15% higher than a year earlier. Bangladesh Bank said the readymade garment sector faced multiple headwinds during the quarter.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/garment-exports-drop-12-q4-3958971>

BANK | President to pick BB governor from search body candidates

- In a landmark move to strengthen central bank independence, the newly finalised draft amendment of the Bangladesh Bank Ordinance, 2025 introduces a "double-layer" system for appointing the governor—a major shift from the current politically influenced process.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/president-pick-bb-governor-search-body-candidates-1208516>

TRADE | 20% US reciprocal tariff kicks in, triggers export surge at Ctg Port

- The newly imposed 20% reciprocal tariff on Bangladeshi exports to the United States took effect at 10am on Wednesday, prompting a sharp surge in shipments from Chattogram Port as exporters rushed to beat the deadline.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/us-20-counter-tariff-kicks-triggers-export-surge-ctg-port-1207391>

Stocks:**NRBBANK | BSEC launches probe into NRB Bank Securities over possible irregularities**

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has initiated an enquiry into NRB Bank Securities, a Dhaka stock exchange member, to protect the interests of the capital market and general investors. The investigation will examine allegations of illegal transactions, use of undeclared funds, and dealings with related parties. It will also review any violations of securities rules during shareholder changes or board appointments.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-launches-probe-nrb-bank-securities-over-possible-irregularities-1208476>

ACI | ICB, Shanta Holdings offload 0.3 Mn ACI shares in July

- The Investment Corporation of Bangladesh (ICB) and Shanta Holdings Limited sold a combined total of 295,035 shares of ACI PLC from their respective stakes in July, according to ACI's monthly shareholding disclosure for the month. Both entities are major stakeholders in ACI, and following these sales, ICB's stake in ACI decreased to 8.72% from 9.01%, and Shanta Holdings' stake dropped to 4.98% from 5.05%.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/icb-shanta-holdings-offload-295-lakh-aci-shares-july-1208471>

NCCBANK | NCC Bank's half-year profit jumps 55%

- National Credit and Commerce (NCC) Bank PLC reported a 55.22% year-on-year increase in the consolidated profit for the first half of 2025. The bank's consolidated earnings per share (EPS) stood at BDT 1.04 during the period, up from BDT 0.67 in the same period last year, according to its unaudited financial statement for the January–June quarter.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/ncc-banks-half-year-profit-jumps-55-1208446>

Stock and Commodities*

Index Name	Close Value	Value Change YTD	% Change YTD
Crude Oil (WTI)*	USD 63.88	(USD 7.55)	-10.57%
Crude Oil (Brent)*	USD 66.59	(USD 7.80)	-10.49%
Gold Spot*	USD 3,397.75	USD 789.27	30.26%
DSEX	5,408.07	191.63	3.67%
S&P 500	6,389.45	482.51	8.17%
FTSE 100	9,095.73	974.72	12.00%
BSE SENSEX	79,857.79	1,657.86	2.12%
KSE-100	145,382.80	30,123.80	26.14%
CSEALL	19,826.57	3,881.96	24.35%

Exchange Rates**1 US Dollar = 121.45 BDT****1 GBP = 163.29 BDT****1 Euro = 141.32 BDT****1 INR = 1.39 BDT**

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