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Macro:**Dhaka mulls US tariff concessions to boost bilateral trade**

- Bangladesh is considering granting greater duty exemptions on products imported from the United States to boost bilateral trade and reduce the existing imbalance between the two countries, according to sources.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/dhaka-mulls-us-tariff-concessions-to-boost-bilateral-trade-1753034343>

91-day treasury bills rate falls 1.13 percentage points to 10.45% in a week

- The interest rate on 91-day treasury bills has dropped below 10.5%, driven by reduced government borrowing from the banking sector in the first quarter of the fiscal year and increased liquidity in the money market.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/91-day-treasury-bills-rate-falls-113-percentage-points-1045-week-1192896>

Capital machinery imports fall for third year

- Bangladesh's imports recovered in fiscal year 2024-25 after two years of downturns, but capital machinery imports fell for the third consecutive year, reflecting a low appetite for investment among entrepreneurs.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/capital-machinery-imports-fall-third-year-3944226>

Sector & Industries:**TELECOM | Govt forms panel to review draft telecom policy**

- The government has formed a committee to review the draft Telecommunications Network and Licensing Policy 2025, according to a notification issued by the Cabinet Division yesterday.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/govt-forms-panel-review-draft-telecom-policy-3944231>

TELECOM | Starlink officially launches in Bangladesh with BSCL as national reseller

- A joint press conference was held on Friday at Hotel InterContinental, Dhaka, to officially launch Starlink services in Bangladesh. It was announced that Bangladesh Satellite Company Limited (BSCL) will act as the official reseller of Starlink in the country.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/corporates/starlink-officially-launches-bangladesh-bscl-national-reseller-1192801>

MUTUAL FUNDS | Two mutual funds set to convert to open-end structure

- Two mutual funds listed on the capital market – Vanguard AML BD Finance Mutual Fund One and SEML Lecture Equity Management Fund – are preparing to convert from closed-end to open-end status as they near the end of their tenure.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/two-mutual-funds-set-convert-open-end-structure-1192791>

TRADE | ICDs to raise export container charges by 60%

- Inland container depots (ICDs) have announced a sharp increase in charges for handling export cargoes and empty containers by as much as 60% starting September 1, triggering concerns from the impending reciprocal tariff by USA.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/icds-raise-export-container-charges-60-3944241>

Stocks:**BDFINANCE | BD Finance sees 64% drops in profit in H1**

- Bangladesh Finance, known as BD Finance, reported that its consolidated earnings per share dropped by 64% in the first half of this year.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bd-finance-sees-64-drops-profit-h1-1192766>

RUPALIBANK | Rupali Bank sees profit drops 78% in H1

- According to the bank's financial statement, its consolidated earnings per share was BDT 0.20 in the January-June period of 2025, which was significantly lower from BDT 0.89 in the previous year at the same time.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/rupali-bank-sees-profit-drops-78-h1-1192656>

Stock and Commodities*

Index Name	Close Value	Value Change YTD	% Change YTD
Crude Oil (WTI)*	USD 67.51	(USD 3.92)	-5.49%
Crude Oil (Brent)*	USD 69.36	(USD 5.03)	-6.76%
Gold Spot*	USD 3,352.66	USD 744.18	28.53%
DSEX	5,194.03	-22.41	-0.43%
S&P 500	6,296.79	389.85	6.60%
FTSE 100	8,992.12	871.11	10.73%
BSE SENSEX	81,698.51	3,498.58	4.47%
KSE-100	138,597.36	23,338.36	20.25%
CSEALL	18,973.70	3,029.09	19.00%

Exchange Rates**1 US Dollar = 121.61 BDT****1 GBP = 163.12 BDT****1 Euro = 141.33 BDT****1 INR = 1.41 BDT**

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