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Macro:**Foreign debt servicing cost crosses USD 4 Bn**

- Bangladesh's foreign debt servicing bill has crossed USD 4 Bn for the first time, marking a sharp rise in repayment pressure. The country paid just over USD 4 Bn in the recently concluded 2024-25 fiscal year, a 21% jump from USD 3.37 Bn the year before, according to provisional data from the Economic Relations Division (ERD) released yesterday.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/foreign-debt-servicing-cost-crosses-4bn-3949251>

Chinese businesses keen to invest in Bangladesh: Ashik Chowdhury

- Chinese investors expressed renewed interest in Bangladesh's key economic sectors during a series of high-level bilateral meetings held in Shanghai and Guangzhou last week.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/chinese-businesses-keen-invest-bangladesh-ashik-chowdhury-3949156>

LC openings hit 5-year low in June amid falling investment, consumption

- Amid declining private investment, persistent inflation-wage growth mismatch, and overall weakening consumption, Bangladesh recorded its lowest monthly import Letter of Credit (LC) openings in 58 months this June, according to data from the central bank.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/lc-openings-hit-5-year-low-june-amid-falling-investment-consumption-1198436>

Bangladesh receives USD 1.93 Bn in remittances in 26 days of July

- Bangladeshi expatriates sent USUSD1.93 Bn in remittances during the first 26 days of July, the opening month of the 2025-26 fiscal year, said Arif Hossain Khan, executive director and spokesperson for the Bangladesh Bank.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/bangladesh-receives-193b-in-remittances-in-26-days-of-july-1753637128>

Rising rice, fish prices contribute 83.13% to food inflation in June

- The report released on Sunday found that rice prices increased significantly in the last couple of months, though the overall inflation remained at single digit in the last six consecutive months, and June's overall rate fell below 9 per cent for the first time in 28 months.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/rising-rice-fish-prices-contribute-8313pc-to-food-inflation-in-june-1753637299>

Sector & Industries:**TRADE | Deals with foreign firms likely by Oct to operate Ctg port facilities**

- Foreign direct investment is set to flow in Chittagong-seaport facilities as the interim government intends to break long-lasting FDI droughts before national elections to make its finish memorable.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/deals-with-foreign-firms-likely-by-oct-to-operate-ctg-port-facilities-1753635934>

AVIATION | Bangladesh to buy 25 Boeing aircraft as delegation heads to US today for final tariff talks

- As Bangladesh braces for the final round of negotiations with the United States over a proposed 35% reciprocal tariff on exports, the government plans to buy 25 aircraft from American aerospace giant Boeing – a move officials say is aimed at sweetening the deal ahead of the crucial talks in Washington.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/trade-negotiations-bangladesh-orders-25-boeing-aircraft-delegation-leave-us-tomorrow>

Stocks:**EXCHANGE | First commodity exchange may launch this year**

- The Chittagong Stock Exchange (CSE) is working to launch the country's first-ever commodity exchange by the end of this year, initially trading in cotton, crude palm oil, silver, and gold.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/first-commodity-exchange-may-launch-year-3949481>

SINGERBD | Singer to begin trial export of wire harnesses

- Singer Bangladesh Ltd yesterday said that its board had approved the trial export of wire harnesses to its sister company Beko Romania, marking the official start of its export operations.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/singer-begin-trial-export-wire-harnesses-3949431>

UNILEVERCL | Unilever Consumer Care posts BDT 240 Mn profit in Q2

- Unilever Consumer Care Ltd's profit grew in the second quarter of 2025, driven by operating efficiency and higher finance income despite the reimposition of technology and trademark royalties.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/unilever-consumer-care-posts-tk-24cr-profit-q2-3948971>

CITYBANK | Hossain Khaled appointed as chair of City Bank

- Hossain Khaled, a sponsor director of City Bank, was elected as the new chairman of the bank at a meeting of the board of directors on Sunday.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/hossain-khaled-appointed-as-chair-of-city-bank-1753633818>

BATBC | 'Internal, regulatory challenges erode BAT's H1 profitability'

- As Bangladesh's economic and regulatory landscape continues to evolve, businesses across sectors are having to adapt to new challenges. As one of the highest tax-paying companies in the country, BAT Bangladesh has been navigating through unique circumstances and has recently reported their half yearly results. Nirala Singh, Finance Director of BAT Bangladesh, in an interview with The Financial Express provides a detailed perspective on the underlying factors impacting the company's performance, its broader implications for the legal tobacco industry.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/internal-regulatory-challenges-erode-bats-h1-profitability-1753633887>

Stock and Commodities*

Index Name	Close Value	Value Change YTD	% Change YTD
Crude Oil (WTI)*	USD 65.48	(USD 5.95)	-8.33%
Crude Oil (Brent)*	USD 68.80	(USD 5.59)	-7.51%
Gold Spot*	USD 3,337.18	USD 728.70	27.94%
DSEX	5,354.83	138.39	2.65%
S&P 500	6,388.64	481.70	8.15%
FTSE 100	9,120.31	999.30	12.31%
BSE SENSEX	81,463.09	3,263.16	4.17%
KSE-100	139,207.30	23,948.30	20.78%
CSEALL	19,467.71	3,523.10	22.10%

Exchange Rates**1 US Dollar = 122.09 BDT****1 GBP = 164.06 BDT****1 Euro = 143.49 BDT****1 INR = 1.41 BDT**

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