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Macro:

BB move toward flexible FX regime signals right policy shift: BRAC EPL

Bangladesh Bank's (BB) transition to a more flexible, market-based foreign exchange regime is a step in the right direction, aimed at better aligning the taka with market fundamentals and restoring market confidence, according to a recent report by BRAC EPL Stock Brokerage.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/bb-move-toward-flexible-fx-regime-signals-right-policy-shift-brac-epl-3954381

July remittance soars to USD 2.48 Bn

Bangladesh received a record-breaking remittance inflow of USD 2.48 Bn in July, the first month of the 2025-26 fiscal year, marking a robust 29.48 % year-on-year growth, reports UNB.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/july-remittance-soars-to-248b-1754244257

BD millers to redouble US cotton import

■ To reciprocate the steep US reciprocal tariff being cut down to 20 %, Bangladeshi textile and spinning millers target to augment American cotton imports under tradeoffs to make the country's apparel trade competitive in the United States.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/bd-millers-to-redouble-us-cotton-import-1754244328

Govt to sign trade deal with US in 3 weeks

Bangladesh is preparing to sign an agreement with the United States this month that would impose an additional 20
 supplementary duty on Bangladeshi products entering the US, reports bdnews24.com.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/govt-to-sign-trade-deal-with-us-in-3-weeks-1754244360

Bangladesh to get USD 150 Mn ADB loan to boost education, training

■ The government today signed a USD 150 Mn loan agreement with the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to strengthen the country's technical and vocational education and training (TVET) system..

BB suspends Binimoy over irregularities

■ The Bangladesh Bank (BB) has scrapped the interoperable digital transaction platform Binimoy, citing irregularities and a breach of contract.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/bb-suspends-binimoy-over-irregularities-3954916

Bangladesh wants to become regional hub of halal products: Ashik

• Executive Chairman of the BIDA and BEZA Chowdhury Ashik Mahmud Bin Harun has said the interim government is dedicated to creating an enabling environment for the halal economy.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade-market/bangladesh-wants-to-become-regional-hub-of-halal-products-ashik-1754239651



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Sector & Industries:

JUTE | India blocks BD jute-goods export with bloated anti-dumping duty

Dhaka has sought a two- month-time extension for submitting Bangladesh's position paper on mid-term review of prolonged anti-dumping duty (ADD) imposed by trade-surplus India on Bangladesh's jute-goods exports, sources say.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade-market/india-blocks-bd-jute-goods-export-with-bloated-anti-dumping-duty-1754239626

Stocks:

IDLC | IDLC Finance's profit jumps 46% in Q2

• IDLC Finance PLC reported a significant rise in profitability in the second quarter of 2025, buoyed by higher investment income and lower provisioning expenses, the leading non-bank financial institution said in its financial statements.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/idlc-finances-profit-jumps-46-q2-3954406

TRUSTBANK | Trust Bank posts BDT 10.6 Bn profit in Q2

■ The private commercial bank made BDT 10.6 Bn in profit in the second quarter, down by around 2% year-on-year, according to its financial statements.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/trust-bank-posts-tk-106-crore-profit-q2-3954441

JAMUNABANK | Jamuna Bank's Q2 profit drops 8%

■ The private commercial lender reported a consolidated net profit of BDT 1.32 Bn in the second quarter, down 8 % year-on-year, according to its recently released financial statements.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/banks/news/jamuna-banks-q2-profit-drops-8-3954086

ABBANK | AB Bank posts deepest H1 loss among listed lenders

■ AB Bank posted a staggering loss of BDT 15.03 Bn for the April-June quarter this year, catching investors off guard, as it had shown a profit of BDT 36 Mn for the same period a year ago.

https://today.the financial express.com.bd/stock-corporate/ab-bank-posts-deepest-h1-loss-among-listed-lenders-1754236138

BGIC | BGIC CEO reappointed

• Ahmed Saifuddin Chowdhury Minto has been reappointed as Managing Director & CEO of Bangladesh General Insurance Company PLC (BGIC) for the 5th consecutive term, says a press statement.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/bgic-ceo-reappointed-1754239442

EXCHANGE | BSEC identifies 15 companies for potential stock listing

The stock market regulator has identified 15 state-run and multinational companies, in which the government holds a stake, for potential listing on the stock exchange in a bid to restore investor confidence.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/bsec-identifies-15-companies-potential-stock-listing-3954561





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Stock and Commodities*

Index Name	Close Value	Value Change YTD	% Change YTD
Crude Oil (WTI)*	USD 67.23	(USD 4.20)	-5.88%
Crude Oil (Brent)*	USD 69.52	(USD 4.87)	-6.55%
Gold Spot*	USD 3,353.96	USD 745.48	28.58%
DSEX	5,536.14	319.70	6.13%
S&P 500	6,238.01	331.07	5.60%
FTSE 100	9,068.58	947.57	11.67%
BSE SENSEX	80,599.91	2,399.98	3.07%
KSE-100	141,034.98	25,775.98	22.36%
CSEALL	19,914.25	3,969.64	24.90%

Exchange Rates

1 US Dollar = 121.41 BDT

1 GBP = 161.24 BDT

1 Euro = 140.55 BDT

1 INR = 1.39 BDT

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