

Weekly Market Update

Capital Market Overview

The market closed in red this week. The benchmark index DSEX (-5.34%) lost -265.25 points and closed the week at 4,702.69 points. The blue-chip index DS30 (-4.60%) lost -89.36 points and stood at 1,851.26 points. The Shariah-based index DSES (-5.99%) lost -62.26 points and stood at 976.95 points. The large cap index CDSET (-2.92%) lost -30.08 points and closed at 1,000.88 points. DSEX, DS30, DSES and CDSET showed YTD returns of -9.85%, -4.56%, -16.42%, -6.12%, respectively.

Total Turnover During The Week (DSE): BDT 17.7 billion (USD 145 million)

Average Daily Turnover Value (ADTV): BDT 3.5 billion (Δ% Week: -26.9%)

Market P/E: 13.3x

Daily Index Movement during the Week

The market performed five sessions during this week. The market started negatively on Sunday (-1.37%) and remained negative on Monday (-0.80%) but turned positive on Tuesday (+0.25%) and remained negative rest of the week throughout Wednesday (-0.97%) and Thursday (-2.54%).

Sectoral Performance

· All the financial sectors registered negative performance this week. Life Insurance experienced the highest loss of -18.40% followed by Mutual Fund (-12.87%), General Insurance (-10.83%), NBFI (-10.66%), and Bank (-3.83%).

· All the non-financial (large-cap) sectors registered negative performance this week. Engineering experienced the highest loss of 5.61% followed by Food & Allied (-4.80%), Fuel & Power (-4.04%), Pharmaceutical (-3.76%), and Telecommunication (-3.48%).

Macroeconomic Arena

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Stock Market Arena

BSC | Shipping Corp's profit up 23% on vessel sale, higher freight rates. WALTONHIL | Walton profit soars 48% in Q1 on higher sales, lower finance costs. IBNSINA | Ibn Sina Pharma's profit doubles in Jul-Sept. BEACONPHAR | Beacon Pharma earns record quarterly profit on higher sales. ACI | ACI posts BDT 63.2 Mn profit in Jul-Sep. PREMIERBAN | BFIU fines Premier Bank, officials BDT 34.4 Mn. ICB | ICB posts significant loss of BDT 1.53 Bn in first quarter. EXCHANGE | High Court seeks explanation over legality of BSEC's revised margin loan rules. ENVOYTEX | Envoy Textiles' profit jumps 50% in Q1. MONNOCERA | Monno Ceramic's profit triples in July-Sep. RENATA | Renata expands Nordic footprint with Parkinson's drug launch. MJLBD | Market competition, weak industrial demand hit MJL Bangladesh's quarterly earnings. ICB | ICB sees BDT 12 Bn frozen in failed banks, NBFIs. DAFODILCOM | Daffodil Computers to convert loan into equity to reduce finance cost.

DSEX ended in Red (-5.34%) in the week

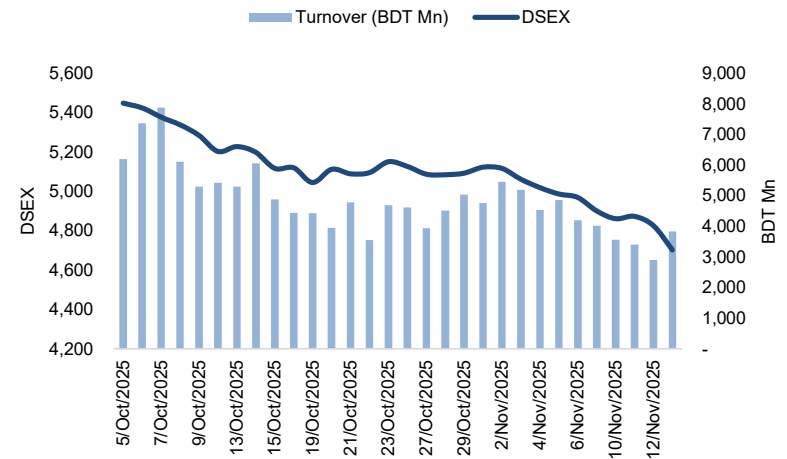
Table 1: Index

Index	Closing*	Opening*	Δ(Pts)	30-Dec-2024	Δ% Week	Δ% YTD
DSEX	4,702.69	4,967.94	-265.25	5,216.44	-5.34%	-9.85%
DS30	1,851.26	1,940.62	-89.36	1,939.73	-4.60%	-4.56%
DSES	976.95	1,039.21	-62.26	1,168.90	-5.99%	-16.42%
CDSET	1,000.88	1,030.96	-30.08	1,066.09	-2.92%	-6.12%

Table 2: Market Statistics

		This Week	Last Week	% Change
Mcap	Mn BDT	6,739,745	6,909,159	-2.45%
	Mn USD	55,140	56,526	
Turnover	Mn BDT	17,718	24,222	-26.85%
	Mn USD	145	198	
Average Daily	Mn BDT	3,544	4,844	-26.85%
	Mn USD	29	40	
Volume	Mn Shares	606	698	-13.10%

Figure 1: DSEX & Turnover in Last Four Weeks



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Table 3: Top Ten Gainers

Company Name	Close*	Open*	Δ%	Mcap**	Turnover**	PE	PB
ALARABANK	14.5	13.1	+10.7%	16,700	21.7	38.1x	0.7x
RUNNERAUTO	36.4	34.2	+6.4%	4,133	351.6	18.2x	0.5x
APEXSPINN	136.0	130.0	+4.6%	1,142	59.8	40.6x	1.6x
IBNSINA	296.4	285.7	+3.7%	9,261	76.9	12.0x	2.2x
SPCL	47.5	45.9	+3.5%	8,865	296.8	13.3x	1.2x
SHAHJABANK	17.0	16.6	+2.4%	18,920	44.0	12.5x	0.7x
DOREENPWR	26.7	26.1	+2.3%	4,836	62.1	7.6x	0.5x
ZAHINTEX	4.8	4.7	+2.1%	393	1.7	NM	0.6x
IFADAUTOS	19.2	18.8	+2.1%	5,150	51.0	NM	0.5x
DESCO	19.4	19.0	+2.1%	7,713	20.1	NM	0.5x

Table 4: Top Ten Losers

Company Name	Close*	Open*	Δ%	Mcap**	Turnover**	PE	PB
PRAGATILIF	141.4	225.9	-37.4%	4,602	236.0	NM	NM
PHOENIXFIN	1.9	2.8	-32.1%	315	1.5	NM	0.0x
ANWARGALV	77.8	113.4	-31.4%	2,349	745.6	NM	18.3x
NURANI	1.2	1.7	-29.4%	147	0.4	NM	0.1x
APOLOSPAT	1.5	2.1	-28.6%	602	1.5	NM	0.1x
REGENTTEX	1.5	2.1	-28.6%	193	0.6	NM	0.1x
PRIMEFIN	1.3	1.8	-27.8%	355	1.0	NM	0.2x
FAREASTFIN	0.6	0.9	-27.1%	102	0.6	NM	NM
BAYLEASING	2.7	3.7	-27.0%	380	5.6	NM	NM
EXIM1STMF	2.5	3.4	-26.5%	358	7.8	NM	0.3x

Table 5: Top Ten Most Traded Shares

Company Name	Close*	Open*	Δ%	Mcap**	Turnover**	PE	PB
SAPORTL	44.6	47.4	-5.9%	10,564	938.9	15.6x	1.3x
ANWARGALV	77.8	113.4	-31.4%	2,349	745.6	NM	18.3x
ORIONINFU	327.8	358.6	-8.6%	6,674	560.1	NM	20.5x
BSC	100.6	109.8	-8.4%	15,345	434.6	5.2x	0.9x
SOURPHARMA	213.1	212.5	+0.3%	188,903	420.8	7.5x	1.3x
MONOSPOOL	101.1	131.0	-22.8%	3,448	420.4	26.9x	2.2x
DOMINAGE	21.1	22.8	-7.5%	2,165	354.7	NM	1.2x
KBPPWBIL	56.5	72.1	-21.6%	5,542	353.4	NM	4.6x
RUNNERAUTO	36.4	34.2	+6.4%	4,133	351.6	18.2x	0.5x
SIMTEX	32.9	33.5	-1.8%	2,619	324.5	32.6x	1.4x

Table 6: Most Appreciated YTD in BRAC EPL Universe

Company Name	Close*	YTD %Δ	Mcap**	PE	PB
BRACBANK	66.2	+52.0%	131,799	8.4x	1.3x
RUNNERAUTO	36.4	+39.5%	4,133	18.2x	0.5x
ACI	180.7	+29.7%	15,871	NM	1.9x
BXPBARMA	102.8	+26.0%	45,860	7.2x	0.9x
MARICO	2,740.6	+20.1%	86,329	13.9x	29.0x
CITYBANK	23.4	+18.0%	35,597	2.7x	0.6x
PRIMEBANK	26.5	+16.1%	30,756	3.5x	0.7x
ENVOYTEX	45.5	+15.5%	7,632	5.0x	0.8x
BSRMSTEEL	58.2	+14.6%	21,880	4.2x	0.7x
BANKASIA	17.7	+14.5%	22,700	4.3x	0.6x

Table 7: Sector Indices

Sector Name	Week Close*	Week Open*	Year Open*	Δ% Week	Δ% YTD
Bank	1,321.1	1,373.7	1,429.64	-3.83%	-7.59%
NBFI	820.6	918.5	1,188.21	-10.66%	-30.94%
Mutual Fund	441.6	506.8	603.30	-12.87%	-26.81%
General Insurance	2,496.7	2,800.0	2,772.79	-10.83%	-9.96%
Life Insurance	1,524.3	1,868.0	1,827.34	-18.40%	-16.59%
Telecommunication	4,591.7	4,757.5	5,185.99	-3.48%	-11.46%
Pharmaceutical	2,795.8	2,904.9	2,959.70	-3.76%	-5.54%
Fuel & Power	1,015.1	1,057.8	1,108.63	-4.04%	-8.44%
Cement	1,722.5	1,912.0	1,957.26	-9.91%	-12.00%
Services & Real Estate	915.9	991.1	1,013.65	-7.58%	-9.64%
Engineering	2,162.6	2,291.2	2,496.75	-5.61%	-13.38%
Food & Allied	12,594.9	13,229.2	17,177.59	-4.80%	-26.68%
IT	1,501.1	1,694.6	1,994.92	-11.42%	-24.76%
Textile	955.0	1,036.5	1,093.38	-7.86%	-12.66%
Paper & Printing	3,912.4	4,713.8	3,998.20	-17.00%	-2.15%
Tannery	1,768.6	1,894.8	2,020.25	-6.66%	-12.46%
Jute	11,324.7	13,370.1	14,455.60	-15.30%	-21.66%
Ceramics	334.6	373.6	359.12	-10.43%	-6.83%
Miscellaneous	3,866.0	3,975.0	4,252.62	-2.74%	-9.09%

Table 8: Sector Trading Matrix

Sector Name	Daily Avg this Week	Daily Avg last Week	% Change	% of Total Turnover	PE	PB
Bank	302.6	373.0	-18.88%	+8.85%	NM	0.7x
NBFI	59.0	91.9	-35.83%	+1.73%	NM	NM
Mutual Fund	54.4	93.7	-41.91%	+1.59%	NM	0.4x
General Insurance	157.1	257.8	-39.06%	+4.59%	11.8x	1.1x
Life Insurance	171.0	280.1	-38.97%	+5.00%	NM	NM
Telecommunication	68.0	67.0	+1.36%	+1.99%	13.3x	4.0x
Pharmaceutical	454.5	575.2	-20.99%	+13.29%	11.4x	1.4x
Fuel & Power	292.4	300.8	-2.82%	+8.55%	8.3x	0.6x
Cement	22.2	19.8	+12.43%	+0.65%	17.4x	1.8x
Services & Real Estate	254.1	331.1	-23.25%	+7.43%	17.3x	0.4x
Engineering	485.5	615.7	-21.15%	+14.19%	12.8x	0.7x
Food & Allied	195.3	248.9	-21.54%	+5.71%	18.4x	3.5x
IT	88.8	155.2	-42.81%	+2.60%	21.2x	1.2x
Textile	324.4	453.8	-28.53%	+9.48%	56.3x	0.6x
Paper & Printing	189.7	372.7	-49.09%	+5.55%	NM	0.9x
Tannery	22.6	34.4	-34.34%	+0.66%	NM	1.4x
Jute	50.9	54.5	-6.53%	+1.49%	NM	NM
Ceramics	21.6	41.2	-47.48%	+0.63%	NM	1.0x
Miscellaneous	206.5	272.6	-24.24%	+6.04%	98.6x	1.6x

Table 9: Least Appreciated YTD in BRAC EPL Universe

Company Name	Close*	YTD %Δ	Mcap**	PE	PB
BARKAPOWER	5.4	-44.9%	1,272	15.0x	0.2x
RENATA	378.6	-40.4%	43,424	18.3x	1.2x
ADNTEL	52.9	-37.9%	3,420	22.0x	1.6x
POWERGRID	26.8	-35.9%	24,490	6.0x	0.2x
ACTIVEFINE	5.1	-35.4%	1,224	NM	0.2x
LANKABAFIN	12.1	-34.9%	6,520	30.3x	0.6x
BATBC	240.4	-34.6%	129,816	11.3x	2.3x
BBSCABLES	12.2	-30.3%	2,583	NM	0.4x
EGEN	17.1	-29.9%	1,283	24.8x	0.7x
KPCL	9.2	-29.8%	3,656	31.7x	0.5x

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Important News: Business, Economy & Sector

Next govt 'needs time' to decide on LDC graduation

- Bangladesh's graduation from the Least Developed Country (LDC) status now hangs in the balance as the interim administration and the private sector have opined for giving space to the next elected government to finalise the decision, insiders said.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/next-govt-needs-time-to-decide-on-ldc-graduation-1762971273>

Danish shipping giant Maersk outfit signing USD 550 Mn deal

- Danish shipping giant Maersk is set to take charge of developing and operating Bangladesh's Laldia Container Terminal (LCT) in Chattogram under a USD 550 Mn deal through its one subsidiary, opening avenues for enhancing foreign investment, officials say.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/danish-shipping-giant-maersk-outfit-signing-550m-deal-1762971069>

Govt considers downsizing budget, ADP amid implementation challenges: Salehuddin

- The government is considering reducing the size of the national budget and the Annual Development Programme (ADP) as several fiscal and administrative challenges have emerged during implementation, Finance Adviser Dr Salehuddin Ahmed said on Wednesday (12 November).

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/govt-considers-downsizing-budget-adp-amid-implementation-challenges-salehuddin-1283896>

Govt approves USD 57 Mn project for e-waste management

- The government has approved a project worth USD 57 Mn to establish a modern e-waste management plant amid growing concerns over rising levels of contamination in the country.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/govt-approves-57m-project-e-waste-management-4033666>

BD eyes deeper investment, trade ties with Wales

- Bangladesh High Commissioner to the United Kingdom (UK) Abida Islam has underscored the country's rapid economic growth and its emergence as a thriving hub for foreign investment, inviting Welsh businesses to explore new trade and innovation opportunities.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/bd-eyes-deeper-investment-trade-ties-with-wales-1762967567>

FUEL & POWER | Govt to procure LNG from Aramco Trading Singapore

- The government approved on Wednesday in principle a proposal to procure liquefied natural gas (LNG) from Aramco Trading Singapore Pte Ltd on a short-term basis under a Government-to-Government (G2G) arrangement, reports UNB.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/govt-to-procure-lng-from-aramco-trading-singapore-1762967592>

RMG | RMG exports enter EU 'digital passport' era; factories must adopt by 2027

- As Europe prepares to roll out mandatory digital identification for its apparel imports, enforcing stringent labour and environmental standards, Bangladesh's USD 39 Bn garment sector faces an imminent critical choice: ensure end-to-end supply chain transparency or risk losing its largest market.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/rmg/rmg-exports-enter-eu-digital-passport-era-factories-must-adopt-2027-1284361>

BANK | Central bank orders strong action to rein in soaring default loans

- Bangladesh Bank has directed commercial banks to take immediate and forceful measures to rein in the rapid growth of non-performing loans (NPLs), which have become a critical concern for the country's financial stability. The directive came in the wake of serious concerns expressed by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) during its ongoing review mission under a USD 5.5 Bn loan programme, following reports that default loans in the banking sector have surged to alarming levels.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/central-bank-orders-strong-action-to-rein-in-soaring-default-loans-1762971511>

SERVICES & REAL ESTATE | Govt bans approval fees for resale or transfer of registered flats, land

- The government issued on Wednesday a directive prohibiting real estate developers from charging any kind of approval or transfer fee during the resale or transfer of land or flats that have already been sold or handed over through registered deeds, reports BSS.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/govt-bans-approval-fees-for-resale-or-transfer-of-registered-flats-land-1762967579>

ADB may lend USD 250 Mn for bankrolling budget deficit

- Bangladesh expects USD 250 Mn soon from the Asian Development Bank in credit for bankrolling budget-financing shortfall, officials say, as an ADB mission is now in Dhaka reviewing country position on financial front.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/adb-may-lend-250m-for-bankrolling-budget-deficit-1762884336>

Current account slips back into deficit

- The current account balance, which records the country's transactions with the rest of the world, has slipped back into deficit, signaling renewed pressure on the external economy. During the July-September period of the current fiscal year, the current account posted a deficit of USD 481 Mn, compared with a USD 60 Mn surplus in the same period last year, according to the latest data from the Bangladesh Bank.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/current-account-slips-back-deficit-4032736>

Packaged food market poised to reach USD 5.8 Bn by 2030

- Bangladesh's packaged food industry is on a rapid growth trajectory, with the market projected to reach USD 5.8 Bn by 2030, said Khondaker Golam Moazzem, research director at the Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD), yesterday, citing official data. Referring to data from the Bangladesh Investment Development Authority (Bida), he stated that the industry, currently valued at USD 4.8 Bn, is witnessing steady growth, particularly in the ready-to-eat and processed food segments, as working families and younger consumers increasingly prioritize convenience.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/packaged-food-market-poised-reach-58b-2030-4032741>

Volatile credit supply besets blue economy

- Bangladesh's blue-economy-sector financing continues to crumble, reflecting an inconsistent flow of credit and a lack of bankable projects in the country's vast marine and coastal areas. According to the latest data from the Bangladesh Bank, the total outstanding loans in the blue-economy-financing category under green finance stood at BDT 8.48 Bn till June 2025, up from BDT 7.51 Bn in March. The figure was well below the BDT 13.50 Bn recorded in December 2024, suggesting a notable contraction in the first half of this year.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/volatile-credit-supply-besets-blue-economy-1762884720>

TELECOMMUNICATION | Leading mobile operators push for revision of terms

- The country's three leading mobile operators -- Grameenphone, Robi Axiata and Banglalink -- have jointly urged the telecom regulator to revise the terms of the forthcoming 700 MHz spectrum auction, warning that the current framework could discourage investment and impede efforts to expand mobile coverage in rural and underserved areas.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/leading-mobile-operators-push-for-revision-of-terms-1762884427>

BANK | OBUs can now extend trade loans via ADs of other banks

- The Bangladesh Bank (BB) has amended the key provisions of its directive on Offshore Banking Units (OBUs) of scheduled banks, aiming to facilitate the country's foreign trade, officials say. Under the revised provisions, OBUs can now extend trade loans not only through ADs of their own banks but also via those of others, subject to a comprehensive risk assessment, including counterparty exposure and limit evaluation.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/obus-can-now-extend-trade-loans-via-ads-of-other-banks-1762884680>

BANK | LC margin rules relaxed to ensure Ramadan supply stability

- Bangladesh Bank (BB) has eased the letter of credit (LC) margin requirements to ensure adequate supply and price stability of key essential commodities during the upcoming month of Ramadan. The relaxed LC margin facility will remain effective until March 31, 2026, according to the circular. The commodities covered under this facility include rice, wheat, onion, lentils, edible oil, sugar, chickpeas, peas, spices, and dates -- items whose demand typically surges during the fasting month.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/lc-margin-rules-relaxed-to-ensure-ramadan-supply-stability-1762884379>

TEXTILE, RMG | Japanese buyers keen to source high-value apparel from BD

- Japanese buyers have expressed strong interest in increasing their import of high-value and fashionable apparel from Bangladesh. A visiting delegation from Japan Textile Importers' Association (JTIA) expressed the interest during a meeting with Bangladesh Garment Manufacturers and Exporters Association (BGMEA) in Dhaka, reports UNB.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade-market/japanese-buyers-keen-to-source-high-value-apparel-from-bd-1762882754>

FOOD & ALLIED | Regulatory maze chokes growth of agro-processing industry

- Bangladesh's agro-processing industry, one of the country's most promising growth sectors, is enmeshed in a web of regulatory tangles, costly testing requirements and weak coordination among government agencies, industry leaders say.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/regulatory-maze-chokes-growth-of-agro-processing-industry-1762884293>

Govt downsizes current budget by BDT 150 Bn, to ramp up next one

- A meeting of the committee for coordination on fiscal, monetary, and currency exchange and resource management on Monday, chaired by Finance Adviser Dr Salehuddin Ahmed, decided to revise down the current budget by around BDT 150 Bn from a total outlay of BDT 7.9 trillion, sources said.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/govt-downsizes-current-budget-by-tk-150b-to-ramp-up-next-one-1762797850>

Bangladesh to get duty-free access to Japan mkt for 3 yrs after graduation

- Bangladesh will continue to enjoy duty-free market access to Japan for three more years after graduating from the least-developed country (LDC) status as Tokyo has amended its tariff system to extend preferential treatment for LDCs.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/bangladesh-to-get-duty-free-access-to-japan-mkt-for-3-yrs-after-graduation-1762797936>

Political and geopolitical risks may weigh on growth: BB

- Bangladesh's economy is projected to strengthen in the near term with the easing of inflation, exchange rates reaching stability, and adequacy in reserves, said a central bank report.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/political-and-geopolitical-risks-may-weigh-growth-bb-4031941>

Govt may cut growth target, reset inflation goal

- Following a review of the latest economic conditions, the Finance Division has proposed trimming the GDP growth target from 5.5% to 5%, according to a finance ministry official present at a meeting of the Fiscal Coordination Committee on budget matters yesterday. The Fiscal Coordination Committee has proposed raising the inflation target to 7%, above the 6.5% set out in the finance adviser's budget speech.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/govt-may-cut-growth-target-reset-inflation-goal-4031931>

BB to cut EDF size to USD 2 Bn by Dec to meet IMF conditions

- Under the USD 4.7 Bn IMF loan deal, the central bank has committed to keeping the EDF capped at USD 2 Bn until December 2026, with no plans to expand it during that period.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/bb-cut-edf-size-2bn-dec-meet-imf-conditions-1282551>

Country risks trade deals amid limited defence mechanisms

- Bangladesh is moving to sign multiple trade deals, including Preferential Trade Agreements (PTAs), Free-Trade Agreements (FTAs), and Economic Partnership Agreements (EPAs), without sufficient preparation to protect its domestic industries through robust trade-defence mechanisms, sources say.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/country-risks-trade-deals-amid-limited-defence-mechanisms-1762797890>

ECNEC okays 12 development projects worth BDT 71.5 Bn

- The government on Monday gave the nod to 12 development projects, including four revised schemes, involving a total of BDT 71.50 Bn

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/ecnec-okays-12-development-projects-worth-tk-715b-1762798325>

Private sector seeks six-year delay to LDC graduation

- Top business leaders yesterday urged a visiting United Nations (UN) delegation to recommend deferring Bangladesh's graduation from the least developed country (LDC) club by five to six years. They cited current macroeconomic stress, inflated growth data under the previous government, and poor overall preparedness for the transition.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/private-sector-seeks-six-year-delay-ldc-graduation-4031916>

Laldia Char Terminal boosts Ctg port's container storage capacity by 10,000 TEUs

- Shipping Adviser Brigadier General (Retd.) M Sakhawat Hossain said that the launch of the Laldia Char Terminal has increased Chattogram Port's container storage capacity by 10,000 twenty-foot equivalent units (TEUs), creating new opportunities for trade and business. The Ctg port's capacity has risen from 56,000 TEUs to 66,000 TEUs

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/laldia-char-terminal-boosts-ctg-ports-container-storage-capacity-10000-teus-4031641>

BANK | Government may consider compensating investors: BB

- Executive Director and Spokesperson for the Bangladesh Bank (BB) Arif Hossain Khan says that the government may consider compensating general investors who have been affected by the merger of five troubled Islamic banks. Decision-makers involved in the process may consider addressing this issue from a humanitarian perspective, potentially rising above conventional accounting procedures, he added.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/government-may-consider-compensating-investors-bb-1762797814>

FUEL & POWER | Adani to keep supplying power as BPDB clears USD 30 Mn dues

- Amid an ongoing payment dispute, the Bangladesh Power Development Board (BPDB) has paid USD 30 Mn to Adani Power, potentially putting an end to the looming power supply cut threatened by the Indian power giant over outstanding electricity import bills. Adani supplied 1,112MW electricity to Bangladesh at 6pm yesterday.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/energy/adani-keep-supplying-power-bpdb-clears-30m-dues-1282526>

Economy's upturn persists

- The Bangladesh economy gathered fresh momentum in October, with the Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) rising by 2.7 points from the previous month to 61.8, indicating a faster pace of expansion across all major sectors. The upturn was broad-based, led by robust growth in agriculture, manufacturing, construction, and services, marking the fourteenth consecutive month of overall expansion in the private sector.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/economys-upturn-persists-1762710512>

Revenue board opposes blanket scrapping of tax incentives

- A willy-nilly government action undoing time-bound tax-breaks falters as investors lodge multiple objections and take the matter up with court on alleged breach of commitment. Tax officials say the abrupt phasing out of these exemptions - the first of its kind - follows the International Monetary Fund (IMF) directive to raise Bangladesh's tax-to-GDP ratio to 8.4% within this year.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/revenue-board-opposes-blanket-scrapping-of-tax-incentives-1762709946>

Next govt to decide new pay scale, IMF loan payout

- Next government will take decision on implementation of the new pay scale for public employees, says Finance Adviser Dr Salehuddin Ahmed, indicating interim government's hands-off on major matters ahead of elections. Also, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) will make decision on release of the next tranche of its loan in consultation with the next political government, which comes out of the polls tentatively set for next February in the post-uprising transition process.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/next-govt-to-decide-new-pay-scale-imf-loan-payout-1762710109>

Forex reserves stay strong after ACU payment

- Bangladesh's foreign-exchange reserves have remained comfortably above the USD 31-Bn mark, even after the country settled USD1.60 Bn in import-payment obligations to Asian Clearing Union (ACU) member-countries on Sunday. Following the payment for the September-October 2025 period, the gross forex reserves stood at USD31.14 Bn, down from USD32.71 Bn on the previous working day, according to the Bangladesh Bank (BB).

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/forex-reserves-stay-strong-after-acu-payment-1762710598>

ACC files case against S Alam, 66 others

- The Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) has filed its 'largest-ever' corruption case accusing Mohammad Saiful Alam (65), the chairman of S Alam Group, and 66 other individuals, over a massive loan fraud of BDT 104.8 Bn. The ACC claims loans amounting to BDT 92.84 Bn were issued to different companies under S Alam Group; and with interests and dividends, the total misappropriated sum increased to roughly BDT 104.8 Bn.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/acc-files-case-against-s-alam-66-others-1762710227>

Foreign port operators key to ending corruption and boosting efficiency: Bida chief

- Local businesses have long complained of entrenched corruption at the port, and bringing in an internationally reputed operator would be a decisive step towards eliminating it.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/foreign-port-operators-key-ending-corruption-and-boosting-efficiency-bida-chief-1281476>

No clear diplomatic path to defer LDC graduation: Economists

- Political instability, coupled with global uncertainty, has made the situation more complex, says PRI Chairman Zaidi Sattar. Despite growing calls to postpone Bangladesh's graduation from the Least Developed Country (LDC) category, economists said there is no diplomatically clear way to seek a deferral as such a request must be backed by transparent data — and Bangladesh already exceeds the threshold in all three graduation criteria.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/no-clear-diplomatic-path-defer-ldc-graduation-economists-1281446>

Ctg port's 41% tariff hike nearly double in reality

- These increases reverberate through supply chains, disproportionately affecting smaller operators and ultimately raising prices for goods, from vessel operators to exporters and importers, and eventually consumers who bear the hidden inflation at retail shelves.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/ctg-ports-41-tariff-hike-nearly-double-reality-1281441>

BANK | BB issues Loi for Sammilito Islami Bank

- The banking regulator has issued the preliminary license for Sammilito Islami Bank, the proposed largest shariah-based bank to be formed through merger of five severely liquidity-crisis-ridden unconventional banks.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/bb-issues-loi-for-sammilito-islami-bank-1762709874>

FUEL & POWER | How vulnerable is Bangladesh to Adani's power cut threat?

- The Indian conglomerate, which supplied an average of 932.31MW in the 2023-24 fiscal year from its 1,600MW Godda power plant, sent a letter to the Bangladesh Power Development Board (BPDB) threatening a complete power cut from 11 November (tomorrow) if USD 496 Mn in outstanding bills were not cleared by the preceding day.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/energy/how-vulnerable-bangladesh-adanis-power-cut-threat-1281576>

TEXTILE | Bangladesh's textile industry reels as cheap Indian yarn floods market

- The US-imposed tariffs on Indian textiles, initially seen as an opportunity for Bangladesh, have instead posed new challenges. Rather than benefiting from reduced Indian competition in the US, Bangladeshi textile entrepreneurs are facing an influx of cheap Indian yarn, sold at dumping prices, which has strained domestic spinning mills and unsettled the market.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bangladeshs-textile-industry-reels-cheap-indian-yarn-floods-market-1281416>

Project preparation delays cost country a huge sum

- World Bank's loan confirmation without project preparation creates a hiatus making Bangladesh pay interest and other fees before fund utilisation begins, officials say about the financial waste. The mismatch has caused a financial gap of about USD 1.5 Bn between the active loans and the WB's total portfolio in Bangladesh, sources said Saturday. The Bank is currently financing USD 13.37 Bn funds for 48 active projects in Bangladesh, ERD data show.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/project-preparation-delays-cost-country-a-huge-sum-1762625146>

Bangladesh to pay USD 1.6 Bn ACU bill this week, reserves likely to dip below \$26b

- Bangladesh is set to pay a USD 1.6 Bn import bill to the Asian Clearing Union (ACU) this week, which could reduce the country's foreign exchange reserves below USD 26 Bn, a senior official of Bangladesh Bank said. Reserves were USD 27.37 Bn on 27 October. Bangladesh last paid an ACU import bill of USD 1.96 Bn in July 2022 for the May-June period.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/bangladesh-pay-16b-acu-bill-week-reserves-likely-dip-below-26b-1280431>

Exchange rate adjustment pushes Rooppur plant cost up by BDT 133.86 Bn

- The project's timeline has also been extended to June 2028, up from the original December 2025 completion date, following cost increases and project delays, according to planning commission sources. The depreciation of taka against the US dollar has pushed the Rooppur Nuclear Power Project's cost up by BDT 133.86 Bn (11.84%), raising the total to BDT 1.26 Tn, the first revised proposal shows. The initial 2016 proposal had an estimated cost of BDT 1.13 Tn.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/exchange-rate-adjustment-pushes-rooppur-plant-cost-tk13386cr-1279201>

BANK | Experts push for discounted shares for general investors

- As the central bank moves forward with the merger of five troubled Islamic banks, general shareholders of these listed banks should either be offered shares of the merged entity or allowed to subscribe to its shares at a discounted price.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/experts-push-for-discounted-shares-for-general-investors-1762623575>

INSURANCE | Malfunctioning insurance cos now up for merger or liquidation

- Sources say the insurance regulator has finalised the Insurer Resolution Ordinance 2025, paving the way for sweeping insurance reforms the way the banking-sector problems are being fixed. The Insurance Development and Regulatory Authority (IDRA), which oversees 82 life and non-life insurance companies, has finalized the draft law in consultation with industry stakeholders. Once enacted, the law will empower the authority to appoint administrators in troubled insurers, dissolve their boards, and transfer viable portfolios to newly created bridge entities.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/malfunctioning-insurance-cos-now-up-for-merger-or-liquidation-1762624701>

TELECOMUNICATION | Proposed Telecom Licensing Policy: Stakeholders fear foreign dominance, rise in internet prices

- "Domestic entrepreneurs have created nearly one million jobs and ensured affordable internet services across the country, even in remote areas," President of the Internet Service Providers Association of Bangladesh (ISPAB) Mohammad Aminul Hakim stated. "If the new policy protects only foreign operators' interests, internet prices will rise by at least 20%, and marginal communities will be deprived of access." He further declared that local entrepreneurs would not hesitate to take legal action if the policy is finalised with provisions that endanger their existence.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/bangladesh/proposed-telecom-licensing-policy-stakeholders-fear-foreign-dominance-rise-in-internet-prices>

TELECOMUNICATION | Govt, telcos consider settling long-drawn audit row thru arbitration

- BTRC claimed over BDT 140 Bn from GP, Robi, and Banglalink, citing unpaid dues, fees, and revenue shares. Bangladesh's top mobile operators — led by Grameenphone — have formally asked the telecom regulator to settle their long-running audit disputes through expert-led arbitration, signaling a potential breakthrough in one of the country's most protracted corporate-regulatory standoffs. For the first time, both the government and the Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission (BTRC) appear receptive to the idea.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/govt-telcos-consider-settling-long-drawn-audit-row-thru-arbitration-1280586>

BANK | Bangladesh plans to introduce open banking system for faster financial solutions

- Bangladesh is set to introduce an open banking system, mirroring practices in technologically advanced countries, which promises greater transparency and innovation in the financial sector. Explaining the system, a senior official said a customer holding an account with one bank could receive services from another bank, based on their performance history, through a third-party fintech. The system will let customers, with their consent, share financial data with third-party fintechs or apps, providing a single platform to access loans, bill payments, spending analysis, and investment information.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/bangladesh-plans-introduce-open-banking-system-faster-financial-solutions-1280561>

MFS, BANK | BB unveils draft rules to open mobile money to non-bank players

- The Bangladesh Bank has unveiled draft rules allowing non-bank local and foreign companies to obtain licences to operate as Payment Service Providers (PSPs) or Mobile Financial Service (MFS) providers. Existing MFS and PSP operators – whether bank-led or otherwise – must apply for new licences within six months of the regulations taking effect to comply with the updated framework.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/bb-unveils-draft-rules-open-digital-payments-non-bank-players-1279741>

BANK | Japan Remit Finance, DBL Group apply to BB to set up digital bank

- Japan Remit Finance Co Ltd (JRF) of Japan and DBL Group of Bangladesh have jointly applied to Bangladesh Bank for a digital banking licence to operate as Japan Bangla Digital Bank PLC. The proposed Japan Bangla Digital Bank (JBD Bank) received initial approval from the central bank in 2023 and has since been awaiting a letter of intent (LOI), reads a press release. According to the press release, the bank aims to provide inclusive, technology-driven financial services, particularly targeting underserved and unbanked segments of the population.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/japan-remit-finance-dbl-group-apply-bb-set-digital-bank-1280461>

BANK | BB puts ball in govt's court over compensation amid merger protests

- The Bangladesh Bank has affirmed that it currently has no scope to protect the interests of general investors and shareholders who may face potential losses following the planned merger of five financially distressed banks, stating that the government may consider the issue of compensation. According to the press release, under the Bank Resolution Ordinance, if the value of an investment is wiped out during resolution and a shareholder faces greater losses than what would have occurred in liquidation, the shareholder may be entitled to compensation equivalent to the excess loss.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/bb-puts-ball-govts-court-over-compensation-amid-merger-protests-1279216>

LEATHER | Savar leather industrial park to come under Bepza control

- A Bangladesh Investment Development Authority (Bida) study found that leather and footwear manufacturers often avoid sourcing raw materials from local companies due to the absence of a functional CETP at the Savar estate. As a result, Bangladesh is unable to fully utilise its export potential while spending large amounts of foreign currency to import raw materials.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/industry/savar-leather-industrial-park-come-under-bepza-control-1279046>

FUEL & POWER | BRAC Bank, Idcol finance USD 67 Mn solar project

- BRAC Bank PLC and Infrastructure Development Company Limited (Idcol) have jointly financed a 64.55 megawatt (MW) solar power plant in Pabna, operated by Bangladesh China Renewable Energy Company Limited (BCRECL). The plant, among the largest in the country, has already begun supplying electricity to the national grid, marking a significant step in Bangladesh's transition toward sustainable growth.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/brac-bank-idcol-finance-67-million-solar-project-4029886>

RMG | RMG Sustainability Council can now oversee labour issues too

- The RMG Sustainability Council (RSC) – the largest alliance monitoring factory safety in Bangladesh's garment sector and formerly known as Accord – has expanded its mandate to include the investigation of labour rights violations alongside safety issues. Under the new directive, the RSC will now be able to investigate not only electrical, fire, and structural safety matters but also unfair labour practices, set deadlines for corrective measures, and notify global buyers of non-compliance – potentially leading to the cancellation of purchase orders.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/rmg/rmg-sustainability-council-can-now-oversee-labour-issues-too-1280446>

BANK | Internet banking transactions surge 47.5% in Aug

- Internet banking transactions in Bangladesh posted a robust growth of about 47.5% year-on-year in August 2025, reaching BDT 1.12 trillion from BDT 759.39 Bn in the same month of 2024, according to the latest data from the Bangladesh Bank (BB). Although the August figure was slightly lower than BDT 1.13 trillion recorded in July, the growth shows a continued momentum in the country's digital banking landscape.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/internet-banking-transactions-surge-475pc-in-aug-1762625410>

ICT | New ICT projects look foredoomed like forerunners

- Three new ICT-sector development projects involving BDT 46.33 Bn have been proposed all of which are lookalikes of previous ones allegedly doomed to failure in set goals for corruption, misuse of public funds. Officials at the Planning Commission hold such view about the projects designed by Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Division with an avowed objective of ensuring advances of the worldwide fastest-growing sector of knowledge economy.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/new-ict-projects-look-foredoomed-like-forerunners-1762624778>

Important News: Stocks

BSC | Shipping Corp's profit up 23% on vessel sale, higher freight rates

- Bangladesh Shipping Corporation's annual profit jumped 22.8% year-on-year in FY25 to BDT 3.07 Bn, driven by a one-off income from selling two vessels and higher freight rates. It earned nearly BDT 0.5 Bn from the sale of two fire-ravaged ships. According to a disclosure on Wednesday, earnings per share rose to BDT 20.1 in FY25 from BDT 16.37 the year before.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/shipping-corps-profit-up-23pc-on-vessel-sale-higher-freight-rates-1762967352>

WALTONHIL | Walton profit soars 48% in Q1 on higher sales, lower finance costs

- Walton Hi-Tech Industries secured a remarkable 48% year-on-year growth in profit to BDT 2.21 Bn in the first quarter of FY26, driven by higher sales and lower finance costs. Higher sales and significantly lower finance costs, largely due to lower impact from the currency devaluation after partial repayment of debts helped secure a healthy profit growth, said the company in its earnings note.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/walton-profit-soars-48pc-in-q1-on-higher-sales-lower-finance-costs-1762967380>

IBNSINA | Ibn Sina Pharma's profit doubles in Jul-Sept

- The Ibn Sina Pharmaceutical Industry reported a sharp rise in earnings in the July-September quarter, with profit more than doubling on the back of strong revenue growth and higher other income. Its net profit jumped 160% year-on-year to BDT 220 Mn, according to the company's financial statements.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/ibn-sina-pharmas-profit-doubles-jul-sept-4033176>

BEACONPHAR | Beacon Pharma earns record quarterly profit on higher sales

- Beacon Pharmaceuticals witnessed the highest-ever quarterly profit of BDT 522 Mn for the first quarter of FY26, registering a 45% year-on-year increase over the same quarter last year. The drug manufacturer's sales revenue jumped 46% year-on-year, according to a stock exchange filing on Wednesday, BDT 4.09 Bn in July-September, supported by an expanded distribution network.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/beacon-pharma-earns-record-quarterly-profit-on-higher-sales-1762967479>

ACI | ACI posts BDT 63.2 Mn profit in Jul-Sep

- The Advanced Chemical Industries (ACI) PLC has posted that it made a net profit of BDT 63.2 Mn in the first quarter of the fiscal year of 2025-26. According to the company's price-sensitive statement published on its website, its earnings per share stood at BDT 0.39 at the end of the July-September quarter, which was a remarkable comeback from the loss of BDT 4.82 per share in the same quarter previous year.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/aci-posts-tk632cr-profit-jul-sep-1284296>

PREMIERBAN | BFIU fines Premier Bank, officials BDT 34.4 Mn

- The Bangladesh Financial Intelligence Unit (BFIU) has fined Premier Bank and several of its officials, including former managing director (MD) M Reazul Karim, a total of BDT 34.4 Mn for alleged money laundering and assisting the bank's former chairman, HBM Iqbal, and his family in transferring foreign currency abroad through credit card misuse.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/bfiu-fines-premier-bank-officials-tk-344-crore-4033366>

ICB | ICB posts significant loss of BDT 1.53 Bn in first quarter

- The Investment Corporation of Bangladesh (ICB) reported a significant consolidated loss of BDT 1.53 in the July–September quarter of the current fiscal year. The loss was mainly driven by a sharp decline in interest income, dividend income, and capital gains from the sale of securities compared to the same period of the previous year.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/icb-posts-significant-loss-tk153cr-first-quarter-1284306>

EXCHANGE | High Court seeks explanation over legality of BSEC's revised margin loan rules

- The High Court has issued a rule asking the government and the Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) to explain within seven days why the newly revised Margin Loan Rules, 2025 should not be declared illegal. The rule followed a writ petition filed by several investors who argued that the new restrictions are overly stringent and have created panic in an already fragile stock market.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/high-court-seeks-explanation-over-legality-bsecs-revised-margin-loan-rules-1284291>

ENVOYTEX | Envoy Textiles' profit jumps 50% in Q1

- Envoy Textiles reported a sharp rise in profit in the July-September quarter of fiscal 2025-26, driven by higher revenue and lower financial expenses. According to its financial statements disclosed yesterday, the company's net profit stood at BDT 0.38 Bn, up 50% year-on-year. Its revenue grew 8% to BDT 4.74 Bn, while financial expenses fell 8% to BDT 0.35 Bn.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/envoy-textiles-profit-jumps-50-q1-4032326>

MONNOCERA | Monno Ceramic's profit triples in July-Sep

- Monno Ceramic Industries posted a more than threefold rise in profit in the July-September quarter of fiscal 2025-26, driven by stronger revenue and improved operational efficiency. According to a disclosure on the Dhaka Stock Exchange yesterday, its earnings per share (EPS) stood at BDT 0.25 for the three months to September, compared with BDT 0.08 in the same period a year earlier.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/monno-ceramics-profit-triples-july-sep-4032321>

RENATA | Renata expands Nordic footprint with Parkinson's drug launch

- Renata PLC, a listed drug maker in Bangladesh, has launched Parkadin, the first and only registered generic version of Amantadine 100 mg capsules, in Finland, as well as in Denmark, Sweden and Norway, according to a press release.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/renata-expands-nordic-footprint-parkinsons-drug-launch-4032356>

MJLBD | Market competition, weak industrial demand hit MJL Bangladesh's quarterly earnings

- According to the company's latest financial disclosures, consolidated revenue fell by 21% year-on-year to BDT 9.89 Bn, while net profit dropped by 15% to BDT 0.96 Bn during the quarter.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/market-competition-weak-industrial-demand-hit-mjl-bangladeshs-quarterly-earnings>

ICB | ICB sees BDT 12 Bn frozen in failed banks, NBFIs

- The Investment Corporation of Bangladesh (ICB) is facing a heavy loss of more than BDT 12.05 Bn as it has been unable to recover any of the money invested in fixed deposit receipts (FDRs) with 12 troubled financial institutions.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/icb-sees-tk-12b-frozen-in-failed-banks-nbfis-1762877658>

DAFODILCOM | Daffodil Computers to convert loan into equity to reduce finance cost

- Daffodil Computers has decided to increase the Daffodil Group's stake in it by converting a loan into equity instead of repaying it in cash. The founder of Daffodil Group, Md. Sabur Khan told The Financial Express that Daffodil Computers currently does not have sufficient funds to repay the loan. "The interest rate on this loan will double next year. The company is already bearing a huge financial burden. So, we have made this decision to reduce financial expenses and enable investors to receive higher dividends in the future," he said.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/daffodil-computers-to-convert-loan-into-equity-to-reduce-finance-cost-1762882081>

MPETROLEUM | Meghna Petroleum logs record profit on higher margins, bank income

- Meghna Petroleum posted a record profit of BDT 6.64 Bn in FY25, driven by higher sales margins and substantial income from bank deposits. The annual profit grew by 23% year-on-year for the year ended in June this year, according to a stock exchange filing on Monday. With that, the company's earnings per share (EPS) rose to BDT 61.39 for FY25 from BDT 50.11 for the previous year.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/meghna-petroleum-logs-record-profit-on-higher-margins-bank-income-1762791153>

POWERGRID | Power Grid swings back to profit in Q1 of FY26

- Power Grid secured a profit of BDT 3.64 Bn in the first quarter through September this year, marking a strong rebound compared to a loss of BDT 2.56 Bn in the same quarter last year, supported by higher revenue and favourable foreign exchange rates.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/power-grid-swings-back-to-profit-in-q1-of-fy26-1762791194>

ORIONINFU | Orion Infusion to expand production with own funds

- Listed life-saving injectable producer Orion Infusion has planned to invest another BDT 205 Mn from its own funds to increase the production capacity of IV fluids by 30%. According to a disclosure on Monday, the company's revenue will go up by BDT 255 Mn after the implementation of the project, which is more than 30% of the revenue earned in FY24.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/orion-infusion-to-expand-production-with-own-funds-1762791212>

FINEFOODS | Fine Foods sees 146% revenue growth in Q1

- Fine Foods, a listed firm in the food and allied sector, has reported a 146% year-on-year rise in revenue and a 314% surge in profit in the first quarter (July–September) of FY2025-26.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/fine-foods-sees-146-revenue-growth-q1-1281471>

MATINSPINN | Matin Spinning Mills posts slight profit growth despite revenue dip in Q1

- Matin Spinning Mills, a listed textile manufacturer, has reported a 6.5% increase in net profit in the first quarter (July–September) of the current fiscal year, despite a slight decline in revenue. According to its Q1 financial statements, the company posted a revenue of BDT 2.22 Bn, down from BDT 2.25 Bn in the same quarter last year.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/matin-spinning-mills-posts-slight-profit-growth-despite-revenue-dip-q1-1281426>

POWERGRID | Power Grid trims losses by 54% on higher revenue, stable forex

- Power Grid has shown signs of recovery, with a year-on-year reduction in losses by as much as 54% to BDT 2.10 Bn in FY25, supported by higher revenue and favourable foreign exchange rates. Consequently, the power transmission company cut its losses to BDT 2.30 per share in FY25, compared to a loss of BDT 6.69 (restated) per share in the previous year, according to price-sensitive information published on Sunday.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/power-grid-trims-losses-by-54pc-on-higher-revenue-stable-forex-1762711594>

EXCHANGE | Treasury bill yields rise

- Yields on treasury bills (T-bills), particularly those of longer tenures, rose on Sunday as banks appeared increasingly reluctant to invest their surplus liquidity in government securities ahead of the upcoming national elections.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/treasury-bill-yields-rise-1762710720>

WATACHEM | Wata Chemicals trims dividend despite profit growth in FY25

- The company's revenue stood at BDT 813.4 Mn, up 14% from BDT 713.3 Mn in the previous fiscal year. Its net profit rose 12% year-on-year to BDT 11 Mn from BDT 9.8 Mn in FY24, driven by higher sales and operational efficiency.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/wata-chemicals-trims-dividend-despite-profit-growth-fy25-1280531>

BEXIMCO | Beximco Group faces auction of mortgaged assets over BDT 4.09 Bn loan default

- The move comes under the Money Loan Court Act 2003, which allows banks to sell mortgaged properties before filing a case in court. Exim Bank has announced the auction of mortgaged assets owned by Beximco Group affiliates, as part of its efforts to recover defaulted loans amounting to BDT 4.09 Bn.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/beximco-group-faces-auction-mortgaged-assets-over-tk409cr-loan-default-1280511>

SAPORTL | Summit Alliance Port declares 18% cash dividend

- Summit Alliance Port Limited (SAPL) has declared an 18% cash dividend for shareholders for the fiscal year 2024–25, compared to a 15% cash dividend in the previous year. According to the declaration, the company's consolidated earnings per share (EPS) stood at BDT 2.85, up from BDT 1.75 in the same period last year.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/summit-alliance-port-declares-18-cash-dividend-1280451>

NLTUBES | National Tubes declares 1% cash dividend for FY25

- National Tubes Limited, a state-owned listed company under the Bangladesh Steel and Engineering Corporation (BSEC), has declared a 1% cash dividend for the fiscal year 2024–25, significantly lower than the 4% dividend distributed in the previous fiscal year. For FY25, the company reported earnings per share (EPS) of BDT 1.72, reflecting a 14% decline from the previous fiscal year.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/national-tubes-declares-1-cash-dividend-fy25-1280526>

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