

## Weekly Market Update

### Capital Market Overview

The market closed in red this week. The benchmark index DSEX (-0.43%) lost -23.52 points and closed the week at 5,452.06 points. The blue-chip index DS30 (-0.44%) lost -9.17 points and stood at 2,096.51 points. The Shariah-based index DSES (-0.83%) lost -9.01 points and stood at 1,077.96 points. The large cap index CDSET (-0.40%) lost -4.47 points and closed at 1,104.01 points. DSEX, DS30, DSES and CDSET showed YTD returns of +12.06%, +13.11%, +7.72%, +9.87%, respectively.

**Total Turnover During The Week (DSE):** BDT 23.5 billion (USD 191 million)  
**Average Daily Turnover Value (ADTV):** BDT 4.7 billion (Δ% Week: -15.4%)  
**Market P/E:** 12.7x

### Daily Index Movement during the Week

The market performed five sessions this week. The market started negatively on Sunday (-0.45%), remained negative on Monday (-0.85%), but turned positive on Tuesday (+0.07%), Wednesday (+0.38%), and ended the week positively on Thursday (+0.42%).

### Sectoral Performance

Most of the financial sectors registered negative performance this week. NBFI experienced the highest loss of -3.05% followed by Life Insurance (-1.33%), General Insurance (-1.31%), Bank (-0.12%), and Mutual Fund (+3.60%).

Most of the non-financial (large-cap) sectors registered negative performance this week. Food & Allied experienced the highest loss of 1.54% followed by Telecommunication (-1.43%), Engineering (-0.83%), Fuel & Power (-0.37%), and Pharmaceutical (+0.24%).

### Macroeconomic Arena

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### Stock Market Arena

REGULATOR | BSEC chair leads new BDT 17 Bn market stabilisation fund board after 26-month deadlock. REGULATOR | BSEC relaxes investment ban on market intermediaries' directors, mandates quarterly disclosures. BSRMSTEEL, BSRMLTD | BSRM Group posts record BDT 239.43 Bn revenue, BDT 14.18 Bn profit in FY26. DBH | DBH Finance's Q3 profit down 22% due to provision, lower investment income. AZIZPIPES | Aziz Pipes surges 150% since Jan despite factory shutdown. FEKDIL | Far East Knitting swings to BDT 146.2 Mn Loss, halves dividend in FY26. REGULATOR | 9 firms to face punitive action for failing to pay approved cash dividends. REGULATOR | BSEC fines two BDT 2.0 Mn over Rahima Food share manipulation. WALTONHIL | IDCOL to give BDT 1.44 Bn for Walton solar project. NBL | Sonali Bank lends BDT 70 Bn to NBL. LRBDL | Cash-strapped Lub-rref gets nod to pivot IPO funds for survival.

## DSEX ended in Red (-0.43%) in the week

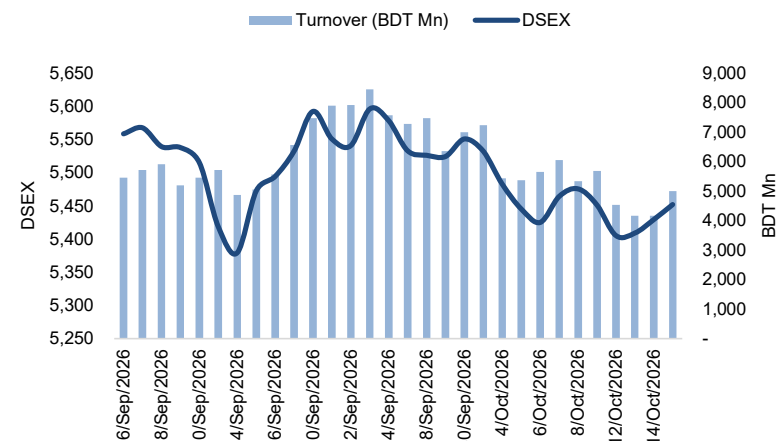
Table 1: Index

| Index | Closing* | Opening* | Δ(Pts) | 30-Dec-2025 | Δ% Week | Δ% YTD |
|-------|----------|----------|--------|-------------|---------|--------|
| DSEX  | 5,452.06 | 5,475.58 | -23.52 | 4,865.34    | -0.43%  | 12.06% |
| DS30  | 2,096.51 | 2,105.68 | -9.17  | 1,853.54    | -0.44%  | 13.11% |
| DSES  | 1,077.96 | 1,086.97 | -9.01  | 1,000.72    | -0.83%  | 7.72%  |
| CDSET | 1,104.01 | 1,108.48 | -4.47  | 1,004.81    | -0.40%  | 9.87%  |

Table 2: Market Statistics

|                        |           | This Week | Last Week | % Change |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Mcap                   | Mn BDT    | 6,841,079 | 6,842,062 | -0.01%   |
|                        | Mn USD    | 55,416    | 55,423    | -0.01%   |
| Turnover               | Mn BDT    | 23,534    | 27,823    | -15.42%  |
|                        | Mn USD    | 191       | 225       | -15.42%  |
| Average Daily Turnover | Mn BDT    | 4,707     | 5,565     | -15.42%  |
|                        | Mn USD    | 38        | 45        | -15.42%  |
| Volume                 | Mn Shares | 829       | 901       | -8.01%   |

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    |
|--------------|--------|-------|--------|--------|------------|------|-------|
| RENWICKJA    | 842.7  | 708.1 | +19.0% | 1,685  | 90.7       | NM   | NM    |
| ANLIMAYARN   | 30.3   | 25.6  | +18.4% | 541    | 6.6        | NM   | 10.7x |
| NBL          | 3.9    | 3.3   | +18.2% | 12,557 | 83.9       | NM   | NM    |
| AZIZPIPES    | 99.9   | 86.3  | +15.8% | 534    | 51.3       | NM   | NM    |
| 1STPRIMFMF   | 30.8   | 27.0  | +14.1% | 616    | 237.9      | NM   | 3.1x  |
| BIFC         | 3.4    | 3.0   | +13.3% | 342    | 3.1        | NM   | NM    |
| GSPFINANCE   | 3.4    | 3.0   | +13.3% | 534    | 2.2        | NM   | NM    |
| BPPL         | 19.5   | 17.5  | +11.4% | 3,373  | 170.0      | 5.6x | 0.6x  |
| FEKDIL       | 20.6   | 18.5  | +11.4% | 4,506  | 184.8      | NM   | 1.1x  |
| ORIONPHARM   | 29.1   | 26.2  | +11.1% | 6,809  | 39.2       | NM   | 0.3x  |

**Table 4: Top Ten Losers**

| Company Name | Close* | Open* | Δ%     | Mcap** | Turnover** | PE    | PB   |
|--------------|--------|-------|--------|--------|------------|-------|------|
| SHARPIND     | 13.7   | 16.3  | -16.0% | 4,157  | 465.3      | NM    | 1.7x |
| ETL          | 14.1   | 16.0  | -11.9% | 2,591  | 725.9      | 22.0x | 1.1x |
| APEXTANRY    | 76.7   | 86.5  | -11.3% | 1,169  | 33.6       | NM    | 0.4x |
| HFL          | 9.8    | 11.0  | -10.9% | 892    | 3.1        | NM    | 0.3x |
| ALIF         | 4.5    | 5.0   | -10.0% | 1,170  | 4.7        | 16.1x | 0.3x |
| SAMATALETH   | 96.1   | 105.2 | -8.7%  | 992    | 59.9       | NM    | 6.7x |
| ECABLES      | 121.3  | 132.2 | -8.2%  | 3,202  | 8.9        | NM    | 0.4x |
| BDLAMPS      | 245.5  | 267.1 | -8.1%  | 2,585  | 228.9      | 85.8x | 4.2x |
| RAHIMTEXT    | 174.6  | 189.7 | -8.0%  | 1,652  | 14.3       | 68.2x | 6.3x |
| DESCO        | 23.3   | 25.3  | -7.9%  | 9,263  | 41.2       | 23.1x | 0.6x |

**Table 5: Top Ten Most Traded Shares**

| Company Name | Close* | Open* | Δ%     | Mcap**  | Turnover** | PE    | PB    |
|--------------|--------|-------|--------|---------|------------|-------|-------|
| SAIHAMTEX    | 46.7   | 45.3  | +3.1%  | 4,229   | 822.8      | 75.3x | 1.1x  |
| ETL          | 14.1   | 16.0  | -11.9% | 2,591   | 725.9      | 22.0x | 1.1x  |
| SONALIANSH   | 238.4  | 244.8 | -2.6%  | 2,586   | 688.5      | 66.0x | 1.0x  |
| BEXIMCO      | 21.8   | 22.5  | -3.1%  | 20,563  | 654.1      | NM    | 0.3x  |
| SHARPIND     | 13.7   | 16.3  | -16.0% | 4,157   | 465.3      | NM    | 1.7x  |
| PTL          | 75.1   | 78.1  | -3.8%  | 13,452  | 455.1      | 11.8x | 1.6x  |
| GQBALLPEN    | 610.7  | 571.3 | +6.9%  | 5,452   | 426.3      | NM    | 4.3x  |
| IPDC         | 29.4   | 30.7  | -4.2%  | 12,630  | 389.8      | 24.7x | 1.7x  |
| BRACBANK     | 66.2   | 66.4  | -0.3%  | 151,569 | 384.6      | 6.7x  | 1.3x  |
| ANWARGALV    | 119.0  | 113.1 | +5.2%  | 3,592   | 336.9      | NM    | 22.2x |

**Table 6: Most Appreciated YTD in BRAC EPL Universe**

| Company Name | Close* | YTD %Δ | Mcap** | PE    | PB   |
|--------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|------|
| SHASHADNIM   | 27.2   | +74.4% | 3,836  | 41.2x | 0.7x |
| IPDC         | 29.4   | +63.3% | 12,630 | 24.7x | 1.7x |
| PIONEERINS   | 65.8   | +46.1% | 6,757  | 12.5x | 1.4x |
| BARKAPOWER   | 9.7    | +44.8% | 2,284  | 10.5x | 0.4x |
| ENVOYTEX     | 69.5   | +43.3% | 11,658 | 8.4x  | 1.2x |
| BXPHERMA     | 145.8  | +42.8% | 65,043 | 7.5x  | 1.1x |
| POWERGRID    | 37.8   | +41.6% | 34,542 | 8.5x  | 0.3x |
| BSRMSTEEL    | 89.3   | +41.5% | 33,573 | 4.7x  | 0.8x |
| CITYBANK     | 29.6   | +39.5% | 51,782 | 3.4x  | 0.8x |
| BSRMLTD      | 96.6   | +28.6% | 28,843 | 4.1x  | 0.5x |

**Table 7: Sector Indices**

| Sector Name            | Week Close* | Week Open* | Year Open* | Δ% Week | Δ% YTD  |
|------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|---------|---------|
| Bank                   | 1,544.2     | 1,546.1    | 1,367.20   | -0.12%  | +12.95% |
| NBFI                   | 1,023.0     | 1,055.2    | 860.23     | -3.05%  | +18.92% |
| Mutual Fund            | 656.7       | 633.8      | 478.27     | +3.60%  | +37.30% |
| General Insurance      | 4,256.5     | 4,312.9    | 2,879.11   | -1.31%  | +47.84% |
| Life Insurance         | 1,678.6     | 1,701.2    | 1,691.42   | -1.33%  | -0.76%  |
| Telecommunication      | 4,346.9     | 4,410.0    | 4,431.51   | -1.43%  | -1.91%  |
| Pharmaceutical         | 3,059.1     | 3,051.9    | 2,764.29   | +0.24%  | +10.66% |
| Fuel & Power           | 1,089.4     | 1,093.5    | 996.11     | -0.37%  | +9.37%  |
| Cement                 | 1,945.9     | 1,943.5    | 1,739.18   | +0.12%  | +11.89% |
| Services & Real Estate | 1,073.1     | 1,087.9    | 949.82     | -1.36%  | +12.98% |
| Engineering            | 2,497.2     | 2,518.3    | 2,290.78   | -0.83%  | +9.01%  |
| Food & Allied          | 11,926.4    | 12,113.6   | 12,942.72  | -1.54%  | -7.85%  |
| IT                     | 2,216.6     | 2,253.7    | 1,703.25   | -1.64%  | +30.14% |
| Textile                | 1,339.8     | 1,370.2    | 1,060.76   | -2.22%  | +26.30% |
| Paper & Printing       | 4,452.5     | 4,431.1    | 4,485.61   | +0.48%  | -0.74%  |
| Tannery                | 2,005.9     | 2,037.6    | 1,806.05   | -1.56%  | +11.06% |
| Jute                   | 14,380.1    | 14,707.5   | 11,805.57  | -2.23%  | +21.81% |
| Ceramics               | 415.2       | 425.6      | 370.10     | -2.44%  | +12.17% |
| Miscellaneous          | 2,441.2     | 2,455.8    | 3,881.56   | -0.59%  | -37.11% |

**Table 8: Sector Trading Matrix**

| Sector Name            | Daily Avg this Week | Daily Avg last Week | % Change | % of Total Turnover | PE    | PB   |
|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------|---------------------|-------|------|
| Bank                   | 325.0               | 367.6               | -11.58%  | +7.40%              | 7.2x  | 0.7x |
| NBFI                   | 131.0               | 160.4               | -18.31%  | +2.98%              | NM    | 1.0x |
| Mutual Fund            | 254.7               | 297.2               | -14.30%  | +5.80%              | NM    | 0.6x |
| General Insurance      | 499.4               | 564.0               | -11.45%  | +11.36%             | 17.5x | 1.6x |
| Life Insurance         | 120.3               | 206.7               | -41.80%  | +2.74%              | NM    | NM   |
| Telecommunication      | 34.7                | 29.8                | +16.41%  | +0.79%              | 10.4x | 3.6x |
| Pharmaceutical         | 389.6               | 545.4               | -28.56%  | +8.87%              | 10.5x | 1.5x |
| Fuel & Power           | 239.9               | 153.0               | +56.76%  | +5.46%              | 9.1x  | 0.6x |
| Cement                 | 26.7                | 28.9                | -7.89%   | +0.61%              | 21.2x | 2.1x |
| Services & Real Estate | 67.5                | 97.7                | -30.94%  | +1.54%              | 26.0x | 0.4x |
| Engineering            | 418.6               | 401.5               | +4.27%   | +9.53%              | 13.2x | 0.8x |
| Food & Allied          | 173.8               | 248.9               | -30.15%  | +3.96%              | 31.0x | 3.2x |
| IT                     | 71.7                | 91.7                | -21.83%  | +1.63%              | 50.1x | 1.8x |
| Textile                | 1,067.5             | 1,529.5             | -30.20%  | +24.29%             | NM    | 0.9x |
| Paper & Printing       | 57.8                | 55.6                | +4.11%   | +1.32%              | NM    | 1.4x |
| Tannery                | 47.6                | 67.7                | -29.67%  | +1.08%              | NM    | 1.5x |
| Jute                   | 138.0               | 103.1               | +33.77%  | +3.14%              | NM    | 2.0x |
| Ceramics               | 48.4                | 51.7                | -6.43%   | +1.10%              | NM    | 1.2x |
| Miscellaneous          | 282.6               | 177.8               | +58.92%  | +6.43%              | 37.4x | 1.0x |

**Table 9: Least Appreciated YTD in BRAC EPL Universe**

| Company Name | Close*  | YTD %Δ | Mcap**  | PE    | PB    |
|--------------|---------|--------|---------|-------|-------|
| ISLAMIBANK   | 25.2    | -23.2% | 40,572  | NM    | 0.7x  |
| TRUSTBANK    | 13.0    | -21.1% | 13,569  | 4.3x  | 0.4x  |
| ACTIVEFINE   | 4.8     | -12.7% | 1,152   | NM    | 0.2x  |
| LINDEBD      | 656.4   | -12.5% | 9,989   | 28.5x | 3.1x  |
| BATBC        | 218.6   | -12.1% | 118,044 | 20.3x | 2.0x  |
| SINGERBD     | 75.9    | -10.2% | 7,567   | NM    | NM    |
| UNILEVERCL   | 1,978.7 | -8.0%  | 38,138  | 62.3x | 23.4x |
| GP           | 238.0   | -7.7%  | 321,371 | 9.1x  | 5.7x  |
| ACI          | 180.3   | -7.3%  | 15,836  | NM    | 2.1x  |
| RECKITT BEN  | 3,250.1 | -5.1%  | 15,357  | 18.6x | 41.1x |

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## Important News: Business, Economy & Sector

### Synchronised govt-WB project approval, rapid fund release likely

- Bangladesh expects to get financing commitments finalised with international development partners within two to three months as it strives for economic recovery, banking reform and mounting pressure from energy costs.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/synchronised-govt-wb-project-approval-rapid-fund-release-likely-1791999946>

### Probashi Card holders to get 3.0% incentive on remittance

- Probashi Card holders will be eligible for a 3.0% incentive on remittances once the card is finalised and distributed. Currently, migrant workers receive a 2.5% cash incentive for sending money through official channels.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade-market/probashi-card-holders-to-get-3pc-incentive-on-remittance-1791996880>

### Govt wants to shift from Chinese loans to investment - Khosru says

- Bangladesh is pushing to move its financing partnership with China from loans to investment, Finance Minister Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury said on the sidelines of the IMF-World Bank annual meetings in Bangkok. Future Chinese financing should shift from loans to investment, and hope for a joint change in this regard, he added.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/govt-wants-shift-chinese-loans-investment-khosru-says-4298886>

### Diesel supplies to remain 'tight' into 2027: IEA

- Diesel supply disruptions in the Gulf stemming from the US war against Iran will keep the market tight into 2027, the International Energy Agency said Wednesday, as it will take time to rebuild depleted stocks. And if Gulf supplies do not return to normal levels soon, "further demand reductions and the heavy economic costs these will entail may be needed to balance markets", the IEA warned.

<https://tob.news/diesel-supplies-to-remain-tight-into-2027-iea/>

### After lapse of 12 years, builder now seeks more time

- Twelve years have elapsed in ostensible delay in building a thermal power plant and a coal-handling port facility at Matarbari and the builder now wants another year for completing entire works of the megaproject.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/after-lapse-of-12-years-builder-now-seeks-more-time>

### Subsidy, spending cuts should power pay scale bump

- The National Pay Commission recommended reducing subsidies, phasing out export cash incentives and cutting government expenditure to ease the cost of implementing the new pay scale for government employees. It also recommended merging or reducing departments under ministries, cutting allocations for poorly performing development projects.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/news/bangladesh/news/subsidy-spending-cuts-should-power-pay-scale-bump-4299061>

### Growth trap, 16-year high inflation signal deepening crisis for Bangladesh, economists warn

- Bangladesh is caught in a trap of low growth, high inflation, and weak job creation that will not break without decisive governance reforms, prominent economists warned following a series of grim regional forecasts.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/growth-trap-16-year-high-inflation-signal-deepening-crisis-bangladesh-economists-warn>

### Govt borrows BDT 242.45 Bn from banks in three months

- The government borrowed BDT 242.45 Bn from the banking sector in the first three months of FY27, highlighting its growing dependence on bank financing amid weak revenue collection.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/economy/318010/govt-borrows-tk-24245cr-from-banks-in-three-months>

### Current account deficit this fiscal may redouble

- Bangladesh's current-account deficit (CAD) may redouble to 2.1% of GDP this fiscal year on account of higher import bills. IMF has made such prognosis mainly as the country has to bear higher import costs of petroleum products and potential higher overall imports from a rebound in the economy.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/current-account-deficit-this-fiscal-may-redouble-1791999838>

### More goods could push UK exports to USD 10 Bn

- The country shipped goods worth USD 4.67 Bn to the UK in FY26, mostly apparel. A more diverse export basket could lift that figure to USD 10 Bn.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/more-goods-could-push-uk-exports-10b-4298881>

**ENERGY | PKSF signs BDT 5.0 Bn solar power deal with Finance Division**

- Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation (PKSF) has signed a BDT 5 Bn agreement with the Finance Division of the Ministry of Finance to expand the use of solar power across Bangladesh.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/pksf-signs-tk-500cr-solar-power-deal-finance-division-4298931>

**ENERGY | Confidence Group eyes BDT 40.00 Bn fresh investment in solar by 2028**

- Confidence Group plans to invest more than BDT 40.0 Bn in 400MW solar power plants by 2028 as the company seeks to diversify beyond heavy fuel oil and meet rising electricity demand.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/energy/confidence-group-eyes-tk4000cr-fresh-investment-solar-2028-1572161>

**IMF warning puts Bangladesh's fiscal buffers in focus**

- Bangladesh's reliance on imported energy, rising debt-servicing costs and limited fiscal room highlight the vulnerabilities that IMF says are leaving emerging and frontier economies increasingly exposed to global shocks.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/imf-warning-puts-bangladeshs-fiscal-buffers-in-focus-1791915962>

**IMF warns Bangladesh's inflation may hit 10.9% in FY27, highest in 16 years**

- Bangladesh is heading for a possible 16-year high in inflation, with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) projecting it to reach 10.9% in the current FY27 fiscal year, a sharp reversal from the 6% forecast it made just six months ago. Bangladesh last recorded a similar annual average in FY2010-11, when inflation reached 10.92%.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/imf-warns-bangladeshs-inflation-may-hit-109-fy27-highest-16-years-1571386>

**Bangladesh to seek special concessional loans from Japan until 2029**

- Bangladesh will request Japan to introduce a country-specific "transitional concessional window" to provide Bangladesh with low-interest loans at least until 2029, as interest rates on loans under the official development assistance (ODA) programme have risen significantly, officials at the Economic Relations Division (ERD) said.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/bangladesh-seek-special-concessional-loans-japan-until-2029-1572121>

**BANK | Foreign banks' net profit falls 38% in H1**

- Foreign commercial banks operating in Bangladesh saw their combined net profit fall 38% to BDT 23.21 Bn in H12026 as weaker trade activity and limited income-generating opportunities weighed on earnings.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/foreign-banks-net-profit-falls-38-h1-1573306>

**BANK | Foreign banks invest BDT 356.92 Bn in govt securities**

- Foreign banks in Bangladesh invested BDT 356.92 Bn in government securities by June 2026, almost matching their combined BDT 356.76 Bn in loans to industry and trade, as lending remained subdued and investment in government debt absorbed a substantial share of their funds.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/economy/318009/foreign-banks-invest-tk-35692cr-in-govt-securities>

**RMG | Garment sector must go green to retain global markets**

- Bangladesh's garment industry must invest in cleaner production and transparency to remain competitive in global markets as the country prepares to graduate from least developed country (LDC) status, Vice-minister for international cooperation of the Netherlands has said on Monday.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/garment-sector-must-go-green-retain-global-markets-4298986>

**ENERGY | Govt approves 9 LNG cargoes, drops Kutubjom terminal plan**

- The government has approved the purchase of nine LNG cargoes from Trafigura between December 2026 and December 2027, while rejecting a separate proposal for a BDT 131.61 Bn floating LNG terminal at Cox's Bazar.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/energy/govt-approves-9-lng-cargoes-drops-kutubjom-terminal-plan-1573271>

**Bangladesh pledges faster project delivery to secure USD 10 Bn in WB loans**

- Bangladesh has pledged to slash project implementation timelines for World Bank-funded initiatives from seven years to five and streamline the approval process from 18 months to just eight, as it seeks to secure USD 10 Bn in additional loan assistance over the next three years.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/bangladesh-pledges-faster-project-delivery-secure-10b-wb-loans-1572111>

## **Remittances hit USD 25.74 Bn as 443,000 workers head abroad in eight months**

- Bangladesh received USD 25.74 Bn in remittances in the eight months leading up to October 10, while 443,021 workers secured overseas jobs in 109 countries.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/remittances-hit-2574b-as-443000-workers-head-abroad-in-eight-months>

## **Bangladesh seeks CEPA with Oman to narrow trade deficit**

- Bangladesh emphasised signing a Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement with Oman to reduce the bilateral trade deficit, increase exports of Bangladeshi products and expand investment.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/trade-commerce/317880/bangladesh-seeks-cepa-with-oman-to-narrow-trade-deficit>

## **BBS rolls out digital inflation reporting in Jan'27**

- The Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS) is set to publish inflation data through a digitised collection system from January 2027, a move expected to accelerate the release of consumer price figures and improve confidence.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/bbs-rolls-out-digital-inflation-reporting-in-jan27-1791916102>

## **BANK | Administrator to oversee Janata Bank's UAE outfit winding-down**

- Local regulator has set an administrator to oversee the winding-down of Bangladesh's state-owned Janata Bank operations in the UAE, despite the dispatch of USD 81.68 Mn as capital-adequacy bail-in fund, sources said. But the Central Bank of the United Arab Emirates (CBUAE) declined to accept the offer and appointed Crowe UAE, an audit and consulting firm, as the administrator.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/administrator-to-oversee-janata-banks-uae-outfit-winding-down-1791915160>

## **ADB plans to lend Bangladesh USD 200 Mn**

- Keeping major private-sector development (PSD)-reform agenda and deregulation measures in focus while aiming to help spur growth, the Asian Development Bank (ADB) plans to provide some USD 200 Mn to Bangladesh, officials have said.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/adb-plans-to-lend-bangladesh-200m-1791827603>

## **ENERGY | Petrobangla extends offshore oil, gas bidding deadline to March 31, 2027**

- Bangladesh Oil, Gas and Mineral Corporation (Petrobangla) on Tuesday extended the deadline for submitting bids under the offshore oil and gas exploration and development tender by four months, pushing the final date from November 30 this year to March 31, 2027.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/petrobangla-extends-offshore-oil-gas-bidding-deadline-to-march-31-2027>

## **RMG | Bangladesh's non-cotton garment exports on the rise**

- The share of non-cotton garments in Bangladesh's total garment exports rose to 30.7% in 9M2026, thanks to rising demand from international clothing retailers and brands.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/bangladeshs-non-cotton-garment-exports-the-rise-4297911>

## **Positive signals on USD 4.5 Bn IMF loan**

- Preliminary discussions between Bangladesh and the Washington-based multilateral lender have figured out a USD 4.5 Bn package, although the final amount, financing terms and policy conditions have yet to be agreed, officials at the Ministry of Finance (MoF) said.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/positive-signals-on-45b-imf-loan-1791827513>

## **Bangladesh to seek results-based financing at WB-IMF roundtable**

- Bangladesh will urge the World Bank and the IMF to link development financing more closely to measurable outcomes, arguing that the key challenge is not a shortage of money but the failure to translate funding commitments into jobs and investment.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/bangladesh-seek-results-based-financing-wb-imf-roundtable-1570611>

## **June PPI growth nearly half of CPI inflation**

- Producer prices in manufacturing rose by 4.9% year-on-year in June 2026, which was significantly below consumer inflation of 9.16% that month.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/june-ppi-growth-nearly-half-of-cpi-inflation>

## **USD 336 Mn Chinese loan signed for Mongla Port upgrade**

- China has agreed to provide a USD 335.78 Mn concessional loan to expand and modernise Mongla Port.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/336m-chinese-loan-signed-for-mongla-port-upgrade-1791828161>

**Import LCs rise 22% YoY in Sep as fuel, raw material become costlier**

- Bangladesh's LCs for imports rose to USD 8.10 Bn in September, the highest monthly level in 53 months, as higher fuel and raw material prices pushed up import costs alongside a modest increase in import volumes.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/import-lcs-rise-22-yoy-sep-fuel-raw-material-become-costlier-1570931>

**IMF joins WB, ADB in lowering Bangladesh growth outlook**

- The IMF has cut its economic growth forecast for Bangladesh in FY27 to 3.2% from 4.3% projected in April, joining other major development partners in downgrading their outlooks amid persistent economic challenges.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/imf-joins-wb-adb-lowering-bangladesh-growth-outlook-4297456>

**Debt burden grows for rural poor**

- 79% of the poorest families spend over 40% of their income repaying instalments on loans from microfinance institutions and local mohajons, or informal lenders. The share of borrowers who pay over 40% of their income in instalments increased from 22% in 2010 to 41% now.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/news/bangladesh/news/debt-burden-grows-rural-poor-4297396>

**Rising debt, weak revenue: Debt trap fears mount**

- Bangladesh is borrowing more to pay its bills, repeatedly missing revenue targets and spending heavily to service past loans, raising fears that mounting debt could squeeze essential public spending and push the country towards a debt trap.

<https://tob.news/rising-debt-weak-revenue-debt-trap-fears-mount/>

**RMG | Bangladesh garment prices fall 8.47% in EU as Vietnam rises**

- Bangladesh's average garment prices in the EU market fell 8.47% per kg between January and July 2026, while Vietnam's average garment prices rose 11.76% in the same period.

<https://tob.news/bangladesh-garment-prices-fall-8-47-in-eu-as-vietnam-rises/>

**Fresh FDI falls 5% amid credit, banking woes**

- Bangladesh's foreign direct investment (FDI) continues to weaken, with fresh foreign equity investment falling 5% year-on-year in the April-June quarter of 2026, marking a second consecutive quarterly decline.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/fresh-fdi-falls-5-amid-credit-banking-woes-1569771>

**BANK | Strong deposit growth fails to spur private credit: GED**

- Strong deposit growth in August has failed to spur robust private sector credit expansion, according to a government report. The report also added that it suggests that liquidity in the banking system has improved and that depositors' confidence is recovering.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/strong-deposit-growth-fails-spur-private-credit-ged-4297211>

**BANK | 55 banks' lending-deposit rate gap stays above 4.0%**

- Fifty-five of 61 scheduled banks have not yet narrowed their lending-deposit interest rate gap to below 4.0% despite a Bangladesh Bank directive issued two months ago. The banking sector's average interest rate spread stood at 5.67% in August, barely down from 5.70% in June.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/business-miscellany/317729/55-banks-lending-deposit-rate-gap-stays-above-4pc>

**ENERGY | Chinese, Turkish firms collect offshore bid documents; ExxonMobil, BP in talks**

- International energy companies are showing renewed interest in Bangladesh's offshore oil and gas exploration, with Chinese and Turkish state-backed firms taking the lead in purchasing bid documents.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/energy/chinese-turkish-firms-collect-offshore-bid-documents-exxonmobil-bp-talks-1570951>

**RMG | Chinese RMG manufacturer to invest USD 17 Mn in Mongla EPZ**

- Chinese readymade garment manufacturing company Longteng Garment Co Ltd is set to invest USD 17 Mn to establish an RMG industry at Mongla Export Processing Zone.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/economy/317723/chinese-rmg-manufacturer-to-invest-17m-in-mongla-epz>

**RMG | Is Bangladesh's low-cost garment model running out of steam?**

- Bangladesh's RMG sector is facing mounting challenges as international clothing retailers and brands diversify their sourcing destinations. Rising production costs, energy shortages, geopolitical tensions and uncertainty over preferential market access after the country's graduation from the LDC category are putting pressure on exporters.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bangladeshs-low-cost-garment-model-running-out-steam-4297236>

**RMG | Emerging markets fuel RMG growth amid sluggish West**

- Bangladesh's RMG exports to non-traditional markets grew by 9.40% year-on-year to USD 1.81 Bn in Q1FY27, outpacing the 6.10% growth in overall apparel exports.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/emerging-markets-fuel-rmg-growth-amid-sluggish-west-1791654277>

**ENERGY | Petrobangla seeks BDT 32 Bn fund to settle Sept import bills**

- Petrobangla has requested an urgent release of a minimum subsidy of BDT 32 Bn from the Finance Division to settle unpaid LNG import bills for September 2026.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/public/last-page/petrobangla-seeks-tk-32b-fund-to-settle-sept-import-bills-1791569515>

**ENERGY | QatarEnergy to supply one LNG cargo**

- QatarEnergy has agreed to supply one LNG cargo under its initial long-term supply contract at USD 13 /MMBTu, less than half the spot LNG price in a volatile market.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/public/first-page/qatarenergy-to-supply-one-lng-cargo-1791483207>

**TELECOM | BTRC puts BDT 500 emergency balance proposal on hold**

- BTRC is considering a proposal to raise the maximum Emergency Balance limit for mobile subscribers from BDT 200 to BDT 500, but has put the proposal on hold for now to scrutinise the conditions attached to the service and ensure that customers are not adversely affected.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/btrc-puts-tk-500-emergency-balance-proposal-hold-4295391>

**RMG | RMG exports rise 6.10% to USD 10.58 Bn in July-Sept of FY27**

- Bangladesh's RMG exports grew 6.10% year-on-year in Q1FY27, reaching USD 10,578.56 Mn against USD 9,970.42 Mn in Q1FY26.

<https://www.bssnews.net/business/433319>

**Bangladesh firms rely on banks for 75% of financing**

- Bangladeshi companies get about 75% of their financing from banks, leaving corporate growth heavily dependent on lenders while equity and bonds remain underused as sources of long-term capital.

<https://tob.news/bangladesh-firms-rely-on-banks-for-75-of-financing-2/>

**External debt hits record USD 115 Bn**

- Bangladesh's external debt hit a record USD 114.98 Bn, in June with rising repayments, weak revenue collection and sluggish exports straining the country's capacity to service foreign loans.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/country/317589/external-debt-hits-record-115b>

**Marubeni eyes new investments in Bangladesh**

- Japanese conglomerate Marubeni Corporation is interested in expanding its existing investments in Bangladesh and entering new industrial sectors, including fertiliser production, information technology and ship recycling.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/marubeni-eyes-new-investments-bangladesh-4296356>

**BANK | Excess liquidity, weak credit demand push Treasury bill yields below 8%**

- Yields on treasury bills fell below 8% in auction for the first time since October 2023, as excess liquidity in the banking sector and weak private-sector credit demand drove down the government's short-term borrowing costs to their lowest levels in nearly three years.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/excess-liquidity-weak-credit-demand-push-treasury-bill-yields-below-8-1569656>

**TELECOM | 5G, 4G mobile phone penetration surges**

- The number of 5G-capable mobile handsets on the networks of Grameenphone, Robi and Banglalink increased by around 46% in a year, while the number of 4G handsets also rose and 3G and 2G devices declined, according to data compiled by the Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/telecom/317558/5g-4g-mobile-phone-penetration-surges>

**TELECOM | BTRC sets base price for lower-band spectrum**

- The Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission (BTRC) has proposed a base price of BDT 2.14 Bn per MHz for a block of E-GSM spectrum with limited interference, a lower-frequency band that helps mobile operators extend network coverage and improve indoor connectivity.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/btrc-sets-base-price-lower-band-spectrum-4296351>

**For new loan, IMF may seek deadline for fixing weak banks**

- The International Monetary Fund (IMF) is likely to seek time-bound measures to resolve problems in vulnerable banks and set specific targets and deadlines for domestic revenue collection as conditions for a new loan programme, according to government officials.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/new-loan-imf-may-seek-deadline-fixing-weak-banks-4295336>

**Dhaka to seek USD 1.0 Bn budget-support credit**

- Bangladesh is set to seek USD 1.0 Bn in budget support from Japan during Prime Minister's tour later this month. Officials have said USD 500 Mn would be sought in the current fiscal year and as much in the next year.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/public/first-page/dhaka-to-seek-10-billion-budget-support-credit-1791568343>

**Bangladesh PMI slips to 48.6 as key sectors contract**

- Bangladesh's overall economic activity slipped into slight contraction in September as manufacturing, construction and services weakened, pushing the country's Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) down 1.3 points month on month to 48.6, while agriculture remained resilient.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/public/last-page/bangladesh-pmi-slips-to-486-as-key-sectors-contract-1791484071>

**Chattogram Customs revenue rises 11% in Q1, still BDT 99.49 Bn short of target**

- Chattogram Custom House's revenue collection rose nearly 11% year-on-year in Q1FY27, but still fell BDT 99.49 Bn short of its revenue target. The shortfall came as total import volume through the customs house declined 4.1% year-on-year in September, while the assessable value of imports fell 2.98%.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/chattogram-customs-revenue-rises-11-q1-still-tk9949cr-short-target-1568681>

**DP World to handle bulk of Ctg port containers**

- Dubai-based multinational DP World will handle nearly half of Chittagong seaport's seaborne trade containers under a deal signed with Bangladesh on Thursday to operate the New-mooring Container Terminal.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/dp-world-to-handle-bulk-of-ctg-port-containers>

**33,000 acres of land, only 16 factories: Why Special Economic Zone fails to deliver**

- The National Special Economic Zone (NSEZ) in Mirsarai remains largely vacant, hindered by infrastructure delays, utility shortages, and a complete absence of supporting worker ecosystems.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/33000-acres-land-only-16-factories-why-special-economic-zone-fails-deliver-1567806>

**BANK | BB hands govt BDT 600 Bn annual bill for banking-sector recovery**

- Bangladesh Bank has sought BDT 600 Bn annually from the government over the next five to eight years for recovery of the banking industry that witnessed a massive looting, said the central bank chief.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/bb-hands-govt-tk-600b-annual-bill-for-banking-sector-recovery-1791654042>

**BANK | BB widens NRCTA scope to boost NRB fund flexibility**

- The Bangladesh Bank has broadened the scope of Non-Resident Convertible Taka Accounts (NRCTAs), allowing authorised dealers (ADs), in addition to offshore banking units (OBUs), to open and maintain the accounts for non-resident Bangladeshis (NRBs).

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/public/trade-market/bb-widens-nrcta-scope-to-boost-nrb-fund-flexibility-1791479126>

**BANK | Interbank dollar transactions exceed USD 200 Mn, highest in 5 years**

- Commercial banks traded more than USD 200 Mn in the interbank market on Thursday, marking a very high level of dollar transactions in recent times. A senior Bangladesh Bank official said that there is currently a relatively high supply of dollars, while demand in the market is comparatively low.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/interbank-dollar-transactions-exceed-200m-highest-5-years-1567091>

**BANK | Banks directed to disburse BDT 50 Bn CMSME fund by November**

- Bangladesh Bank (BB) has instructed banks and financial institutions to expedite the disbursement of the BDT 50 Bn refinancing funds for cottage, micro, small, and medium enterprises (CMSMEs) and meet their full distribution targets by November.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/banks-directed-to-disburse-tk-50b-cmsme-fund-by-november>

**BANK | Few holders sell back T-bond, buyback returns after 17 years**

- Holders of a high-yield two-year Treasury bond showed limited interest in selling it back to the government, offering only about 30% of the bond for sale. Bangladesh Bank did not disclose the cut-off price, leaving the discount or premium paid to sellers unclear.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/banking/317187/few-holders-sell-back-t-bond-buyback-returns-after-17-years>

**PAYMENT | Bangla QR made mandatory for retail business licences**

- The Local Government Division (LGD) has asked city corporations, municipalities and district administrations to take steps to make transactions through Bangla QR mandatory for retail business establishments and merchants as a condition for issuing and renewing licences.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/bangla-qr-made-mandatory-retail-business-licences-1566651>

**STEEL | Steelmakers pin hopes on revival of govt projects**

- The resumption of public infrastructure projects has raised hopes of a recovery among steelmakers, who have been struggling with weak demand, rising costs and financial pressure. Annual domestic steel consumption has fallen to ~4.0 Mn tonnes from ~7.0 Mn tonnes previously. The government's share of steel consumption has also dropped from around 60% to 20%.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/steelmakers-pin-hopes-revival-govt-projects-4295346>

**CONSUMER | Fair Electronics restarts Samsung refrigerator manufacturing in Narsingdi after two years**

- Fair Electronics Ltd has resumed production of Samsung-brand refrigerators in Bangladesh after a hiatus of nearly two years, restarting manufacturing at its factory in Shibpur, Narsingdi.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/tech/fair-electronics-resumes-samsung-refrigerator-production-after-two-year-hiatus-1565441>

## Important News: Stocks

### **REGULATOR | BSEC chair leads new BDT 17 Bn market stabilisation fund board after 26-month deadlock**

- The BSEC has formed a seven-member interim board to oversee the Capital Market Stabilisation Fund (CMSF), ending a 26-month leadership vacuum as the regulator moves to replace the fund's existing rules-based framework with a dedicated law.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-chair-leads-new-tk1700cr-market-stabilisation-fund-board-after-26-month-deadlock>

### **REGULATOR | BSEC relaxes investment ban on market intermediaries' directors, mandates quarterly disclosures**

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has relaxed its blanket ban on capital market investments by board members of market intermediaries, allowing directors of stock exchanges, depositories and clearing houses to invest in securities subject to mandatory quarterly disclosures.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-relaxes-investment-ban-market-intermediaries-directors-mandates-quarterly>

### **BSRMSTEEL, BSRMLTD | BSRM Group posts record BDT 239.43 Bn revenue, BDT 14.18 Bn profit in FY26**

- Two listed companies of BSRM Group, Bangladesh Steel Re-Rolling Mills Limited and BSRM Steels Limited, jointly posted record revenue of BDT 239.43 Bn in FY26, up 20% from the previous fiscal year. The two steelmakers also reported a combined net profit of BDT 14.18 Bn in FY26, a 25% increase from BDT 11.32 Bn in FY25, driven by strong market demand and higher sales volumes.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/two-bsrm-listed-firms-post-record-tk23943cr-revenue-fy26-1573006>

### **DBH | DBH Finance's Q3 profit down 22% due to provision, lower investment income**

- Despite a surge in interest income, DBH Finance experienced a 22.35% year-on-year decline in profit to BDT 251.22 Mn in Q3'26. A significant fall in investment income and provisions for unrealised losses in securities investment led to the erosion in earnings.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/dbh-finance-q3-profit-down-22pc-due-to-provision-lower-investment-income-1791996584>

### **AZIZPIPES | Aziz Pipes surges 150% since Jan despite factory shutdown**

- The stock climbed from BDT 40.60 on January 15 to BDT 82.30 on June 25, a 103% surge in a little more than five months. It slid to BDT 78.7 on September 23 before rising again to close at BDT 101.60 on Wednesday. The stock price has risen by a whopping 150% since January.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/aziz-pipes-surges-150pc-since-jan-despite-factory-shutdown-1791996602>

### **FEKDIL | Far East Knitting swings to BDT 146.2 Mn Loss, halves dividend in FY26**

- Far East Knitting and Dyeing Industries PLC incurred a net loss in the fiscal year ended 30 June 2026, prompting its board to halve the proposed cash dividend to 6% from 12% in the previous fiscal year.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/far-east-knitting-swings-tk1462cr-loss-halves-dividend-fy26-1573286>

### **REGULATOR | 9 firms to face punitive action for failing to pay approved cash dividends**

- The securities regulator has decided to punish nine listed companies for failing to complete the distribution of cash dividends for FY25. They are Aftab Automobiles, Navana CNG, Fortune Shoes, Intraco Refuelling Station and Advent Pharma. The remaining four companies, which are listed on the SME board, are Master Feed Agrotec, Krishibid Seed, BD Paints and Krishibid Feed.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/9-firms-to-face-punitive-action-for-failing-to-pay-approved-cash-dividends-1791910857>

### **REGULATOR | BSEC fines two BDT 2.0 Mn over Rahima Food share manipulation**

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has imposed a combined fine of BDT 2.0 Mn on an investor and an insider of Rahima Food Corporation Limited for alleged stock price manipulation through wash trading and insider trading during a restricted period.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-fines-two-tk20-lakh-over-rahima-food-share-manipulation-1571981>

**WALTONHIL | IDCOL to give BDT 1.44 Bn for Walton solar project**

- The state-owned Infrastructure Development Company Limited will finance Walton's Hi-Tech Industries 50 MW solar power project, marking one of the largest rooftop and floating solar investments by a private manufacturer.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/power-energy/317873/idcol-to-give-tk-144cr-for-walton-solar-project>

**NBL | Sonali Bank lends BDT 70 Bn to NBL**

- State-owned Sonali Bank has lent BDT 70 Bn to financially troubled National Bank for three months, with Bangladesh Bank providing a full guarantee to repay the amount if the private bank fails to do so.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/banking/317882/sonali-bank-lends-tk-7000cr-to-nbl>

**LRBDL | Cash-strapped Lub-rref gets nod to pivot IPO funds for survival**

- Lub-rref (Bangladesh) PLC has received regulatory approval to use its unutilised initial public offering (IPO) proceeds to meet working capital needs as the listed lubricant manufacturer grapples with mounting losses, a liquidity crunch and production constraints.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/cash-strapped-lub-rref-gets-nod-pivot-ipo-funds-survival-1571966>

**EXCHANGE | BSEC to unveil draft IPO policy reforms for public feedback soon**

- BSEC Chairman said the draft of the revised IPO policy had been prepared and would be published on the commission's website soon to seek public feedback. The proposed reforms also include easing direct listing rules, strengthening the verification of companies' financial statements and audit documents, launching a derivatives market, and expanding open-ended mutual funds.

<https://www.bssnews.net/business/434129>

**BRACBANK | BRAC Bank allowed to appoint up to three directors from a single shareholder**

- BRAC Bank has been granted permission to appoint up to three representative directors on behalf of a single shareholder company, following Bangladesh Bank's relaxation of a provision of the Bank Company Act, 1991. A single institution or company is not permitted to appoint more than one representative director to a bank's board.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/brac-bank-allowed-appoint-three-directors-single-shareholder-1570806>

**REGULATOR | BSEC tightens cash dividend rules**

- Companies must deposit the full declared cash dividend into a separate bank account at least a day before the annual general meeting and obtain a bank certificate, attested by the managing director, chief financial officer and company secretary.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/stocks/317876/bsec-tightens-cash-dividend-rules>

**EXCHANGE | Chittagong bourse to issue 30 new TRECs to expand commercial operations, commodity market**

- Chittagong Stock Exchange has decided to issue 30 new Trading Right Entitlement Certificates (TRECs) to eligible domestic and foreign corporate entities to expand its commercial operations and broaden market participation.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/chittagong-bourse-issue-30-new-treecs-expand-commercial-operations-commodity-market>

**APEXFOODS, APEXSPINN | Apex Foods, Apex Spinning announce 20% cash dividend**

- Apex Foods has declared a 20% cash dividend for shareholders. The company reported earnings per share (EPS) of BDT 14.21 for the fiscal year. Apex Spinning has also announced a 20% cash dividend, with EPS of BDT 3.38 during the period.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/stocks/317865/apex-foods-apex-spinning-announce-20pc-cash-dividend>

**DESCO | DESCO returns to profit in FY26**

- Dhaka Electric Supply Company, the state-owned, stock-market-listed power distributor, returned to annual profitability in the 2025–26 fiscal year despite incurring losses in the second half, prompting its board to recommend a 5% cash dividend for shareholders after a two-year hiatus.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/business-miscellany/317864/desco-returns-to-profit-in-fy26>

**ITC | Q-Cash operator IT Consultants' profit drops 14% in FY26 amid lower transaction volumes**

- IT Consultants PLC, operator of the Q-Cash electronic payment network, reported a 14.09% year-on-year decline in profit in FY26 as financial constraints at member banks reduced transaction processing volumes. The company's EPS fell to BDT 3.11 FY26 from BDT 3.62 a year earlier.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/q-cash-operator-it-consultants-profit-falls-14-fy26-1569876>

**EXCHANGE | BSEC plans reforms to expedite listing of domestic, multinational firms**

- The BSEC plans sweeping reforms to speed up IPOs, attract institutional investors and encourage large domestic conglomerates and multinational companies to list on the stock market, its Chairman Masud Khan said on Saturday.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/bsec-plans-reforms-to-expedite-listing-of-domestic-multinational-firms-1791650118>

**ACI | Deli ACI to start stationery production next year**

- Deli ACI Bangladesh Ltd, a joint venture between Chinese stationery maker Deli Group and ACI Bangladesh, plans to start manufacturing stationery products locally by the end of 2027.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/deli-aci-start-stationery-production-next-year-4295381>

**EXCHANGE | BSEC set to raise direct listing asset threshold for private firms to BDT 10 Bn**

- BSEC is set to double the minimum turnover or asset threshold for private companies seeking direct listing on the capital market to BDT 10 Bn, tightening eligibility rules to prevent market misuse.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-set-raise-direct-listing-asset-threshold-private-firms-tk1000cr-1568626>

**EXCHANGE | Market size key hurdle to emerging status for Bangladesh: FTSE Russell**

- A report from FTSE Russell says that to be upgraded to emerging market status, Bangladesh must have at least five eligible stocks, each with an investable market value of at least USD 150 Mn, and a combined market value of at least USD 11.54 Bn.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/market-size-key-hurdle-to-emerging-status-for-bangladesh-ftse-russell>

**EXCHANGE | CSE operating loss widens 13.54% to BDT 165.8 Mn, recommends 3.25% cash dividend**

- The CSE PLC's operating loss widened 13.54% year-on-year to BDT 165.8 Mn in FY26, while its net profit fell 28.35% to BDT 205.9 Mn amid subdued trading activity.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/cse-operating-loss-widens-1354-tk1658cr-recommends-325-cash-dividend-1568636>

**SPCERAMICS | Two Beximco firms get BB lifeline to keep business going**

- Bangladesh Bank (BB) has relaxed lending restrictions for two loan-defaulting companies, Beximco LPG Unit-1 and Shinepukur Ceramics, of the Beximco Group to help them maintain regular business operations. The relaxation of the restrictions will remain in force until December 31, 2027.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/two-beximco-firms-get-bb-lifeline-keep-business-going-4297226>

**EXCHANGE | 37 listed companies now non-operational as C&A Textiles joins the list**

- Many of these companies raised funds from the public through the stock market years ago, but later saw their financial strength wither due to sponsor disputes, financial irregularities, loan defaults or legal battles. Some organisations failed to modernise operations or lost competitiveness amid changing market conditions.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/37-listed-companies-now-non-operational-as-ca-textiles-joins-the-list-1791738015>

**BRACBANK, UCB | UCB Asset Management, bKash simplify mutual fund investment**

- In a first for Bangladesh, UCB Asset Management has partnered with bKash to make investing in UCB Income Plus Fund. Investors of the fund can now subscribe to the fund directly through the bKash app in just a few taps. The two equity-oriented schemes managed by UCB Asset Management will join the platform soon.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/ucb-asset-management-bkash-simplify-mutual-fund-investment-1791738048>

**DOREENPWR | Doreen Power profit surges 58%, recommends 15% cash dividend for FY26**

- The company reported that its consolidated EPS rose to BDT 5.03 in FY26, up from BDT 3.19 in the preceding fiscal year. The company noted in its official disclosure that the strong bottom-line growth stemmed mainly from lower impairment losses on non-current assets relative to FY25. The company recommended a 15% cash dividend for general shareholders. Sponsor-directors will not receive this payout.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/doreen-power-profit-surges-58-recommends-15-cash-dividend-fy26-1568651>

**NBL | No limit to withdrawal of funds by National Bank customers from Oct 15**

- The Board of Directors of National Bank at a meeting on Thursday instructed the bank management to provide customers with all banking services as required from all branches and ATM booths from 15 October.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/public/stock-corporate/no-limit-to-withdrawal-of-funds-by-national-bank-customers-from-oct-15-1791479355>

**OLYMPIC | Olympic Industries recommends 35% cash dividend, approves BDT 33.8 Mn land purchase**

- Olympic Industries PLC posted a net profit of BDT 1,999.3 Mn for FY26, down 0.55% year-on-year, mainly due to higher income tax expenses, and has recommended a 35% cash dividend.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/olympic-industries-records-tk19993cr-net-profit-recommends-35-cash-dividend-1566561>

**WALTONHIL | Walton Hi-Tech eyes Kenyan market, targets USD 1.5 Mn export**

- Walton Hi-Tech Industries, one of Bangladesh's leading electronics manufacturers, is preparing to enter the Kenyan market through a strategic partnership with Nairobi-based North Light Holdings.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/trade-commerce/317555/walton-hi-tech-eyes-kenyan-market-targets-15m-export>

**GQBALLPEN | Econo ball pen maker returns to profit after 9 years, shares jump 6.65%**

- GQ Ball Pen Industries, the maker of the once-popular Econo ballpoint pen, has returned to profitability after nine consecutive years of losses, posting a net profit of BDT 13.1 Mn in FY26 as it cuts operating costs and earns rental income from its commercial property.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/econo-ball-pen-maker-returns-profit-after-9-years-shares-jump-665-1569686>

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