Following is a summary of important business news published in the leading daily newspapers of Bangladesh. For the complete news, please follow the online link given below each news. Please note that the news summary doesn't reflect the opinion of BRAC EPL Stock Brokerage Limited.

Macro:

Remittance inflow rises to USD 2.97 Bn in August

- Bangladeshi expatriates sent USD 2.97 Bn in August, up 10.82% from USD 2.68 Bn in the same month last year.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/bangladesh-gets-297-billion-remittances-august-1530306

Merchandise exports bounce back with 13.14% growth

- The country's merchandise exports in August 2026 bounced back with 13.14% growth to fetch USD 4.42 Bn. The overall exports, however, recorded a 5.43% growth fetching USD 9.15 Bn during 2MFY27 over USD 8.68 Bn in the corresponding period of July-August of last fiscal.

https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/merchandise-exports-bounce-back-with-1314pc-growth

Pay hike puts fresh pressure on NBR

- The government has put the National Board of Revenue (NBR) under renewed pressure to meet an unprecedented revenue-collection target after announcing a major pay rise for public servants, raising concerns over how the additional spending will be financed. Currently, around 45% of domestic revenue is spent on salaries, pensions and other allowances for government employees, according to a study by the Policy Research Institute (PRI).

https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/pay-hike-puts-fresh-pressure-on-nbr

Cenbank buys USD 50 Mn from banks after 3-month pause amid falling rate

- Bangladesh Bank purchased USD 50 Mn at BDT 122.75 on September 01 after a three-month gap, as ample market liquidity and weak demand pushed the exchange rate lower. Bankers had expected the Bangladesh Bank to intervene when the rate fell two weeks ago.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/cenbank-buys-50m-banks-after-3-month-pause-amid-falling-rate-1530771

Commodity suppliers warn of shortages amid gas crisis

- The country's leading commodity importers and processors have urged the government to ensure uninterrupted gas and electricity supply to their factories, warning that disruption could trigger serious supply-chain problems nationwide.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/commodity-suppliers-warn-shortages-amid-gas-crisis-4262526

Sector and Industries:

BANK | Bank bad loans, indebted cos can be auctioned

- Private firms can buy bad loans from banks, seize mortgaged assets and take over indebted companies under legal provisions readied for enactment, sources say about the desperate remedy for deep-rooted ailment. A new central bank-drafted law moves further to propose inviting both domestic and foreign investors to invest capital in the sluggish banking sector to give a shot in its arm.

https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/bank-bad-loans-indebted-cos-can-be-auctioned

BANK | BB pushes for passage of two banking laws

- Bangladesh Bank Governor has urged the government to take steps to place the proposed amendments to the Money Loan Court Act, 2003, and the proposed Distressed Asset Management Act, 2026, before the ongoing session of parliament.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bb-pushes-passage-two-banking-laws-4262416

ENERGY | Rooftop solar users to get BDT 10.50 per unit for surplus power

- The Bangladesh government has announced a special incentive package for rooftop solar power systems with battery storage, offering BDT 10.50 per unit for surplus electricity supplied to the national grid for three years.

https://www.newagebd.net/post/power-energy/311988/rooftop-solar-users-to-get-tk-1050-per-unit-for-surplus-power

ENERGY | Rooftop solar holds USD 2.0 Bn market potential by 2030

- The country's rooftop solar market holds potential for nearly USD 2.0 Bn in material demand by 2030, while wider household adoption could add up to 21,300 megawatts of capacity and meet as much as 35% of national electricity demand, according to Distributed Renewable Energy Platform.

https://www.newagebd.net/post/business-inner/312010/rooftop-solar-holds-2b-market-potential-by-2030

ENERGY | Qatar extends LNG cargo cancellations to Bangladesh, Pakistan and Italy

- QatarEnergy has informed European and Asian buyers that the restriction of shipping through the Strait of Hormuz means that cancellations of liquefied natural gas (LNG) cargo will continue. Among the buyers affected are Bangladesh, Pakistan, and Italy.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/qatar-extends-lng-cargo-cancellations-to-bangladesh-pakistan-and-italy-1788287495

HEALTHCARE | Govt aims to fulfil WHO vaccine industry requirements by May 2027 to boost investment, export

- Despite nearly a decade of efforts, Bangladesh has yet to secure the World Health Organization's (WHO) Maturity Level 3 (ML-3) certification and has therefore been unable to establish a significant foothold in the global vaccine market. The country now aims to achieve ML-3 before the WHO World Health Assembly in May 2027.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/industry/govt-aims-fulfil-who-vaccine-industry-requirements-may-2027-boost-investment-export

TELECOM | AI-powered monitoring boosts RMG productivity by up to 25%

- Bangladeshi readymade garment exporters are increasingly installing artificial intelligence-driven Internet of Things (IoT) devices on their production lines to boost productivity and maintain global competitiveness. Factory owners and officials said the systems can increase productivity by providing real-time information on production, machine performance and defects, with some factories reporting gains of up to 25% compared with manual monitoring.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/rmg/ai-powered-monitoring-boosts-rmg-productivity-25-1529081

TELECOM | Mobile balance spending limit jumps 150%

- The monthly spending limit under Direct Operator Billing (DOB), a regulated payment mechanism that allows mobile customers to pay for smartphones and other specified goods and services using their mobile balances, has increased by 150% to BDT 5,000.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/mobile-balance-spending-limit-jumps-150-4262516

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Stocks:

EXCHANGE | BSEC plans direct listing for firms with BDT 5.0 Bn turnover

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) approved a draft of the rules as the regulator seeks to widen the avenues for bringing more companies into the country's capital market. Companies might soon be allowed to directly list in the capital market without having to offer an initial public offering (IPO), by offloading 10%–20% of shares held by existing shareholders.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bsec-plans-direct-listing-firms-tk-500cr-turnover-4262531

EXCHANGE | Dhaka bourse to launch derivatives trading by Jan 2028

- The Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) plans to introduce financial derivatives by January 2028 after the Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) approved its action plan for launching the new asset class.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dhaka-bourse-launch-derivatives-trading-jan-2028-1530706

EXCHANGE | BSEC eases dividend remittance rules for foreign investors

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has relaxed dividend compliance requirements for foreign investors, tying the remittance deadline to the issuance of a Double Taxation Avoidance (DTA) certificate by the National Board of Revenue (NBR).

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-eases-dividend-remittance-rules-foreign-investors-1530351

EXCHANGE | Bourses can approve 'Z-category' share transfers in default, death cases

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has relaxed a stringent rule regarding the transfer of shares held by sponsors and directors of "Z-category" companies, shifting administrative authority directly to stock exchanges.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bourses-can-approve-z-category-share-transfers-default-death-cases-1530726

Stock and Commodities*

Index Name	Close Value	Value Change YTD	% Change YTD
Crude Oil (WTI)*	USD 91.73	USD 34.30	59.72%
Crude Oil (Brent)*	USD 96.39	USD 35.54	58.41%
Gold Spot*	USD 4,319.56	(USD 21.44)	-0.49%
DSEX	5,637.30	771.97	15.87%
S&P 500	7,631.47	732.65	10.62%
FTSE 100	10,789.28	857.90	8.64%
BSE SENSEX	76,944.28	-7,849.30	-9.26%
KSE-100	176,975.70	2,921.40	1.68%
CSEALL	21,318.31	-1,306.00	-5.77%

Exchange Rates

1 US Dollar = 122.68 BDT

1 GBP = 166.71 BDT

1 Euro = 142.09 BDT

1 INR = 1.29 BDT

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