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Macro:**World Bank to back USD 8.5 Bn 'Blue Network' megaproject**

- The World Bank has agreed to lend USD 600 Mn in the first go to support the interim government's flagship 'Blue Network Programme' that seeks to restore to life and protect all rivers, canals and drainage channels in and around Dhaka.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/world-bank-to-back-85b-blue-network-megaproject-1759686640>

Remittances hit USD 2.69 Bn in Sept, 5th-highest monthly inflow

- Bangladesh received USD 2.69 Bn in remittances in September, the fifth-highest monthly inflow on record, signalling a rebound in foreign-currency earnings. The rise in remittance earnings offers a much-needed respite for the economy, which has been grappling with multiple macroeconomic challenges amid a persistent foreign-exchange (forex) shortage, officials and analysts said.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/remittances-hit-269b-in-sept-5th-highest-monthly-inflow-1759686812>

Q1 exports rise, offset Sept fall

- Bangladesh experiences ups and downs in export performance in the first quarter of the current fiscal year with the three-month earnings posting an overall growth of 5.64% to USD 12.31 Bn, outweighing a monthly fall in September.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/q1-exports-rise-offset-sept-fall-1759686912>

NBR's field-level tax zones asked to strengthen their IICs

- The National Board of Revenue (NBR) has instructed its all field-level tax zones to strengthen their Intelligence and Investigation Cells (IICs) for expediting recovery of evaded taxes and enhancing revenue collection by preventing tax evasion.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/nbrs-field-level-tax-zones-asked-to-strengthen-their-iics-1759686750>

BB issues master circular on outward remittances

- Bangladesh Bank (BB) has issued a comprehensive master circular on outward remittances, consolidating all existing regulatory instructions into a single reference document. The circular, released on September 30, will remain effective for one year from the date of issuance.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/bb-issues-master-circular-on-outward-remittances-1759687000>

Bangladesh, S Arabia launch joint chamber

- Bangladesh and Saudi Arabia have launched the Saudi Arabia-Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry (SABCCI) in Dhaka, the first structured platform aimed at strengthening bilateral trade, investment, and workforce development between the nations.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/bangladesh-s-arabia-launch-joint-chamber-4002851>

Sector & Industries:**BANK | Banks shift to short-term T-bills ahead of election**

- Yields on Treasury bills (T-bills) showed a mixed trend on Sunday as banks channelled their excess liquidity into short-term government securities rather than longer-tenure ones amid heightened caution ahead of the upcoming national election. The shift reflects banks' preference for shorter maturity periods in managing risk and maintaining flexibility in uncertain political and economic conditions.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/banks-shift-to-short-term-t-bills-ahead-of-election-1759687430>

FUEL & POWER | Hearing on proposed gas tariff hikes for fertiliser cos today

- A public hearing on the proposals for a sharp increase in the gas tariffs for state-run fertiliser factories will be held today (Monday), amid growing concerns over energy costs and its supply shortfall. The session will begin with a presentation from the state-owned oil, gas, and mineral corporation Petrobangla, which is seeking a 150% hike in the natural gas tariff-from BDT 16 to BDT 40 per cubic metre-for government-owned fertiliser plants.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/hearing-on-proposed-gas-tariff-hikes-for-fertiliser-cos-today-1759687246>

Stocks:**IBNSINA | Ibn Sina posts 5.5% profit drop, offers record dividend**

- The Ibn Sina Pharmaceutical Industry has declared a record-high 64% cash dividend for the financial year 2025, even as it saw a 5.5% drop in annual profit. According to a stock exchange filing on Sunday, the listed pharmaceutical company reported a profit of BDT 633 Mn for FY'25, down from BDT 671 Mn in the previous year.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/ibn-sina-posts-55pc-profit-drop-offers-record-dividend-1759685393>

DHAKABANK | Mirza Abbas' son to gift 31.3 Mn of Dhaka Bank shares to his mother

- Mirza Yasser Abbas, a director on the board of Dhaka Bank, has announced his plan to transfer 31.3 Mn shares of the bank to his mother, Afroza Abbas, as a gift.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/mirza-yasser-abbas-gift-313cr-dhaka-bank-shares-his-mother-1253141>

EXCHANGE | DSE asks Moshior Securities clients to submit claims by Oct 30

- The Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) has urged clients of Moshior Securities Limited to transfer their existing shares and settle any pending claims by October 30, 2025. Last year, the DSE identified a BDT 685.8 Mn shortfall in Moshior Securities' consolidated customers' account.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/dse-asks-moshior-securities-clients-submit-claims-oct-30-4002541>

Stock and Commodities*

Index Name	Close Value	Value Change YTD	% Change YTD
Crude Oil (WTI)*	USD 61.78	(USD 9.65)	-13.51%
Crude Oil (Brent)*	USD 65.46	(USD 8.93)	-12.00%
Gold Spot*	USD 3,922.15	USD 1,313.67	50.36%
DSEX	5,447.63	231.19	4.43%
S&P 500	6,715.79	808.85	13.69%
FTSE 100	9,491.25	1,370.24	16.87%
BSE SENSEX	81,207.17	3,007.24	3.85%
KSE-100	168,990.06	53,731.06	46.62%
CSEALL	22,094.89	6,150.28	38.57%

Exchange Rates**1 US Dollar = 121.87 BDT****1 GBP = 163.96 BDT****1 Euro = 142.93 BDT****1 INR = 1.37 BDT**

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